

A public hearing opened on April 19, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. on Water Utility Rates. Jeff Rowe from Umbaugh Associates gave an overview on the 34% increase across the board. After no response from the public, the hearing was closed at 6:05 p.m.

The regular council meeting was called to order by President Loretta Smart at 6:05 p.m.

Silent roll call: Loretta Smart, Ron Sullins, Joe Thomas, Lori Vaughn, and Steve Brown.

Others attending the town were:

Mary K. Parsons-Clerk-Treasurer

Chris Snyder-Town Manager

Ed Johnson-Town Marshall

Daniel Frasier-Street Superintendent

Jim Humbarger-Wastewater Superintendent

Steve Gard-Water Superintendent

Eric Hufnagle-Fire Chief

Lon Keyes-Park Board President

Teri Steele- Administrative Assistant

Others attending were: Lynn Blue with Lagrange Products, Derek Craig with T-E Inc., Jeff Rowe with Umbaugh Associates, Andy Dodzik with DLZ, Dan Heidenreich with CCI Construction, Bruce Conforto and Jim DeVaney with Cardinal IG, Yvonne Schroeder from the Herald Republican, and Jeff Bauhof from the Fremont Fire Department.

Ron Sullins moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2005-08, an ordinance establishing rates and charges for the use of water services for the waterworks system of the Town of Fremont, Indiana by amending Chapter 9, Article 2, Section 9-5(a)(1), (2), (3), (4) and (5), second by Lori Vaughn, all in favor.

Joe Thomas moved to waive the second reading of Ordinance 2005-08, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

The rates will be in effect as of the June 1, 2005 billing.

Lori Vaughn moved to approve the minutes with the addition of adding Ed Johnson to the attendance, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

Ron Sullins moved to approve claims and payroll with the correction in the Sewer Department changing a claim from Kendall Electric in the amount of \$225.71 to All-Service Electric, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Andy Dodzik opened the bids for the site work at the Town Hall and is as follows:

CCI Construction	\$92,100.00	Wayne Asphalt	\$102,550.00
API Construction	\$100,985.00	E&B Paving	\$94,295.00
T-E Paving	\$109,380.00		

Andy Dodzik will review the bids for the Council to award the contract at the April 26<sup>th</sup> special meeting.

Ron Sullins moved to have VS Engineering do the engineering for the by-pass, second by Steve Brown, 4 ayes, Lori Vaughn abstained.

Ron Sullins moved to change the Fire Chief work schedule from the FLSA, 102 hours to 86 hours to match the police schedule before comp time is allowed, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Ron Sullins moved to table the Fire Chief guidelines on comp time until the next council meeting, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

A discussion was held on wireless internet. It was decided to ask the Chamber to send out a survey to the School and Industries to see if there was a need in the community. It will be tabled for a few months to gather information.

A discussion was held on Annexation on the west end of town.

A discussion was held on a parking ordinance for the Town of Fremont. A rough draft was given to Attorney Kurt Bachman to look over and see if it meets Fremont's needs. It will be presented at the next council meeting.

Kia Pommer from Van Ausdall & Farrar gave an overview of Toshiba phone system for the Town Hall.

Joe Thomas moved to approve Resolution 2005-02, a resolution approving the deduction of assessed valuation for new manufacturing equipment located within an Economic Revitalization Area within the Town of Fremont, set tax abatement of 5 years, second by Ron Sullins, all in favor.

Ron Sullins moved to approve Resolution 2005-03, a resolution approving the deduction of assessed valuation for certain real property and new manufacturing equipment located within an Economic Revitalization Area within the Town of Fremont, set tax abatement of 7 year equipment and 10 year real estate, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

Lori Vaughn moved to approve those wanting to attend the IACT workshop, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

Steve Brown moved to approve Fire Contracts with Clear Lake, Clear Lake Township and Fremont Township, with the minor changes on dates and charges, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Lori Vaughn moved to approve the yearly contract with Well Child Clinic, second by Ron Sullins, all in favor.

Steve Brown moved to approve the Utility credits, second by Lori Vaughn, all in favor.

Joe Thomas moved to approve the Northeast Development dues in the amount of \$1,000.00, second by Ron Sullins, all in favor.

Lori Vaughn moved for Kathy to attend IACT Clerk-Treasurer School and Budget class on May 10<sup>th</sup> & May 11<sup>th</sup>, second by Ron Sullins, all in favor.

Joe Thomas moved to approve the 6<sup>th</sup> payment to CCI Construction in the amount of \$135,935.00, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

Joe Thomas moved to approve the Building Corp to pay Engineering fees for the site work, second by Lori Vaughn, all in favor.

Lori Vaughn moved to approve Resolution 2005-04, a resolution designating Anthony Wayne Credit Adjusters to collect unpaid utility charges and fees and determining that the costs of collection, including reasonable attorney fees, shall not exceed 40% of the unpaid fee, second by Ron Sullins, all in favor.

Steve Brown moved to approve Resolution 2005-05, a resolution changing the time period for yearly sick time calculations from employment anniversary date to calendar year, second by Lori Vaughn, all in favor.

#### Reports:

Court submitted-nothing to add.

Police submitted-Ed asked if any consideration was taken for a donation to the Sheriff Department for a voice analyzer. Lori Vaughn moved to table until next month, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Street submitted-nothing to add.

Sewer submitted- Jim added work is being done on the Toll Road Bridge West of 120. The Sewer line needs to be moved and will cost the Town \$4,000.00 for the materials, the State will provide labor. Motion was made by Ron Sullins to approve the cost of the materials to move the sewer line in the amount of \$4,000.00, and for Jim to be the liaison, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Water submitted-Steve asked to put a hydrant at Sabin Acres southeast entrance. Steve Brown moved to put a hydrant in at Sabin Acres southeast entrance, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor. Steve said that Ray-Mar Meters went out of business, and as meters are retired they will have to be replaced with a new brand of meter. The new system to read these meters will cost approximately \$4,500.00. A lap-top computer

would need to be purchased to read these meters. Underground will show the Water Department the program and what they are going to do on May 16<sup>th</sup>.

Town Superintendent submitted- Chris requested for Kim Reed at 1620 E. St. Rd. 120, hook up to the Town sewer line. Lori Vaughn moved to approve Kim Reed to hook up to the Town sewer line, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Fire Department submitted-nothing to add.

Fremont Park Board submitted-Lon pointed out that there will be a vacancy on the Park Board in a couple of months.

#### Other General Matters

Lon requested a copy of the Board of Directors

A discussion was held on potentially using the Fremont's Police Department at Clear Lake on a part time basis. Council members would like to see a contract between Fremont and Clear Lake stating specifications.

A discussion was held on employee incentive pay increases. Ron suggested having a committee to draw up a policy regarding this matter. Ron Sullins moved to form a policy on incentive pay increases, second by Lori Vaughn, all in favor. A committee was formed as follows; Ron Sullins, Steve Brown, and Kathy Parsons.

Ron Sullins moved to adjourn, second by Steve Brown, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

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Loretta Smart

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Ron Sullins

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Joe Thomas

Attest:

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Lorraine Vaughn

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Steve Brown

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Mary K. Parsons  
Clerk-Treasurer