The regular council meeting was called to order by President Loretta Smart at 6:00 p.m. on September 20, 2005.

Silent roll call: Loretta Smart, Ron Sullins, Steve Brown, Joe Thomas, and John Ludy.

Others representing the town were:
Mary K. Parsons-Clerk- Treasurer
Chris Snyder- Town Manager
Kurt Bachman-Town Attorney
Ed Johnson-Town Marshall
Jim Humbarger-Sewer Superintendent
Dan Frasier-Street Superintendent
Steve Gard-Water Superintendent
Martha Hagerty-Judge
Lon Keyes-Park Board President
Eric Hufnagle-Fire Chief
Teri Steele-Administrative Assistant

Others attending were Denny McIntyre with W.A. Jones, John Peters with Norris Truck Service, Ken Hoemig with Charlie Spider Fighter, Stan Adam with Indiana Data Center, and Doug Brown a Fremont resident.

Joe Thomas moved to approve the minutes as corrected, second by John Ludy, all in favor.

Ron Sullins moved to approve the claims and payroll, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Loretta Smart opened the bids for the Street truck and they are as follows:

Norris Truck Service with W. A. Jones	$115,591.00 for new truck
Norris Truck Service with W.A. Jones	$113,623.00 for demo model
Selking International with W.A. Jones	$116,936.55 for new truck
Selking with Deeds Equipment	$113,331.55 for new truck

*Optional bid with Selking and Deeds deduct $6,000.00 for Manual Hydraulic Controls

Fremont Town Council will review the bids and will award at the October 18, 2005 council meeting.

A discussion was held on the By-pass. John Ludy moved to approve Kurt Bachman and Steve Carter from Umbaugh and Associates to proceed with financing options for Sewer Revenue Bonds, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

A discussion was held on the annexation west of town. It was decided that Chris will contact property owners and hold a meeting sometime in October. Council members are also invited to attend the meeting.

A discussion was held on possibly providing Broadband service for the Town of Fremont with Indiana Data Center. Discussion followed.

John Ludy moved to approve Attorney Kurt Bachman to proceed with verbiage and contracts with Indiana Data Center, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

A discussion was held on Tax Abatement procedures. Council members reviewed hand-outs that Attorney Kurt Bachman provided. Chris suggested getting input from the Redevelopment Commission.

Steve Brown moved to approve the regular utility credits, second by Ron Sullins, all in favor.

Ron Sullins moved to approve those wanting to attend the IACT workshop October 25th in Plymouth, Indiana, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Steve Brown moved to approve Kathy, Teri, and Brenda to attend the ILMCT District meeting in Middlebury, October 19th & 20th, closing the office on October 20th,second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Steve Brown moved to approve the 3rd payment to CCI for site work in the amount of $19,074.55, second by Ron Sullins, all in favor.

Ron Sullins moved to approve the 2nd payment to LA Electric in the amount of $8,977.50, second by John Ludy, all in favor.

Joe Thomas moved to approve the Agreement with Steuben County Economic Development Commission in the amount of $10,400.00 and the appointment of Chris Snyder by Loretta Smart, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

John Ludy moved to approve Resolution 2005-07, a resolution allowing fair and orderly expression at Town Council meetings, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

John Ludy moved to approve Ordinance 2005-18, an ordinance amending Ordinance #96-17 and Chapter 6, Article 3, Section 6-95 and 6-115 relating to public nuisances, on the first reading, second by Ron Sullins, all in favor.

Ron Sullins moved to waive the second reading of Ordinance 2005-18, second by John Ludy, all in favor.

REPORTS:

Court submitted-nothing to add.

Police submitted- Ed added that Walt's police car has paint peeling off it and needs repair. Gold Star will repair it in the amount of $258.00. John Ludy moved to approve this repair, second by Ron Sullins, all in favor. Ed asked to purchase two new

digital cameras in the amount of $300.00, since one is broken. Steve Brown moved to purchase these cameras, second by John Ludy, all in favor. Ed would also like to hire a part time crossing guard to fill in. Ron Sullins moved to approve hiring a part time crossing guard, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

Street submitted-nothing to add.

Sewer submitted-nothing to add.

Water submitted-Steve said that Super 8 would like to have a separate meter put on, at their expense, to monitor the pool usage. This would allow adjustment on the sewer part of the bill. Jim Humbarger opposed this request. A discussion followed.

Town Superintendent-Chris gave an update on the Steuben County Comprehensive Plan and the Economic Development Committee. The Fremont Chamber of Commerce meeting will be October 19, 2005 at the Fremont Town Hall.

Fire Department-Eric asked to purchase 5 hand held radio's in the amount of $4,250.00 minus the trade in ($400 to $800). Ron Sullins moved to approve the purchase of these radio's, after verification of funds, second by Steve Brown, all in favor. Eric asked for Brett Steele to attend an EMT Basic class. The cost of the class is $500.00. In the past the Fire Department paid $300.00 of this cost with the individual paying the remaining $200.00. John Ludy moved to approve the Fire Department paying $300.00 for Brett to attend, second by Ron Sullins, all in favor. Eric stated that Ruth Vanderpool-Omlar will volunteer her time to write grants for the Fire Department. She has experience in doing this. Eric would like to send her to the Grant Writing class. The cost of the class is $195.00. Ron Sullins moved to approve Ruth Vanderpool-Omlar attend this class at the Fire Departments expense after an agreement is signed by her, agreeing to write grants deemed necessary by the Fire Department, second by John Ludy, all in favor. Eric said that Fire Prevention week is October 9th through October 15th. They will be checking fire alarms at some homes and giving out Pizza coupons to residents that have one and it is working. He complimented his Department for a job well done on a competition they attended in Michigan. Many trophies were brought back to the Station and can be seen on October 11th.

Park Board submitted-Lon said the last Park Board Meeting of the year will be held on October 5th at the Public Library.

OTHER GENERAL MATTERS

Ron Sullins moved to approve John Ludy attending a Tree Seminar at Pokagon on October 2nd, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

A discussion was held on Disaster Plans for the Town of Fremont. New Shelter area's need to be made known to the community. Chris and Ed will work on this. Eric will obtain a copy of the County EMA disaster plan to show the council.

Ron Sullins moved to adjourn the meeting, second by John Ludy, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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Loretta Smart

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Ron Sullins

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Joe Thomas

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Steve Brown

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John N. Ludy

Attest:

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Mary K. Parsons
Clerk-Treasurer