

A public hearing opened on June 20, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. on vacating a portion of Broad Street. With no response from the public, the hearing closed at 6:03 p.m.

The regular meeting was called to order by President, Loretta Smart at 6:03 p.m.

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

Others representing the town were:

Mary K. Parsons, IAMC/CMC-Clerk-Treasurer

Chris Snyder-Town Superintendent

Kurt Bachman-Town Attorney

Ed Johnson- Town Marshall

Jim Humbarger-Sewer Superintendent

Dan Frasier-Street Superintendent

Lon Keyes-Park Board President

Teri Steele, IAMC/CMC-Administrative Clerk

Others attending were Jim Measel with WLKI radio station, Yvonne Schroeder with the Herald Republican, Steve Christman with Northern Indiana Solid Waste Management District, Darci Gaff with the Fremont Area Chamber of Commerce, Kay Clark, and Glen Kiser.

Ron Sullins moved to approve the regular minutes after requesting that several changes to the minutes be made. Corrections to the second page, last paragraph, omitting "with the outcome of the vote" plus making the change from "society" to "preservation" and from "society" to "committee" further in the paragraph and add "Historic Preservation" between "Fremont" and "fund" in the same paragraph. In the special minutes, changing the 6th paragraph changing "acquisition" to "identified right of way", second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

John Ludy moved to approve claims, payroll and comp time, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

Kurt Bachman opened the bids on the police car and Loretta read as follows:

Glen Kiser	\$1,751.00	Angela Dobson	\$500.00
Tony Smith	\$1,050.00		

Bids were taken under advisement.

A discussion was held on the parking issue at Willow Prairie subdivision. Chris said there were alternatives to consider; parking on one side of the street during daylight hours, ban all parking on the streets, provide sidewalks, or lower speed limits. Joe Thomas asked what was done in other subdivisions and asked to have all subdivisions be the same. Tabled until the next council meeting.

Chris asked to advertise for the Street bids this month. There will be a special meeting held on July 25, 2006 to award the bids.

Steve Christman gave a presentation on what the Northern Indiana Solid Waste Management District does and what direction they are heading. He stated that they are always available to accommodate the residents of the county.

John Ludy moved to approve Chris working with Steve Christman on recycling, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

There was a discussion on the By-pass. Chris said his meeting with INDOT had some right of way issues to address. Instead of 5-10 feet right of way, now acquires 40-50 feet. A letter was drafted to EDA to extend (6 Months) on the deadline. Steve Brown moved to send the letter, second by John Ludy, all in favor. A pre-bid meeting for the by-pass will be held on June 21, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. Bids will be accepted on July 7, 2006.

There was nothing to report on annexation.

Kurt Bachman stated it was getting really close to an agreement with Steuben Lake Regional Waste District.

Joe Thomas moved to approve Ordinance 2006-12, an ordinance vacating a portion of Broad Street within the Town of Fremont, Indiana, in the County of Steuben, second by John Ludy, 4 ayes, Ron Sullins abstained.

After Ron Sullins excused himself from the meeting at 7:05, Steve Brown moved to approve waiving the second reading of Ordinance 2006-12, second by Joe Thomas, 4 ayes.

Ron Sullins re-entered the meeting at 7:06.

John Ludy moved to approve the utility bill credits, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

John Ludy moved to approve Ordinance 2006-10, an amendment to 2006 Salary Ordinance 2005-19, second by Steve Brown, 4 ayes, Ron Sullins abstained.

John Ludy moved to waive second reading of Ordinance 2006-10, second by Steve Brown, 4 ayes, Ron Sullins voted nay.

Ron Sullins stated that he has received complaints on the excessive noise on Main Street. A discussion followed. Joe Thomas asked what other towns do to control noise. He asked to collect ordinances from other towns to review for the next council meeting.

Ron Sullins moved to approve those wanting to attend IACT classes June 27th, and July 18th, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

John Ludy moved to approve Ordinance 2006-11, an ordinance amending Ordinance 01-89 article 3 schedules of charges for reports and services of the Fremont Police Department Section 4-26 fees for all standard Police reports including accident reports, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

Ron Sullins moved to waive the second reading of 2006-11, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Joe Thomas moved to approve the Fire protection contract with Clear Lake for the following:

2006- \$18,713.00

2007 -\$19,649.00

second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

REPORTS

Court submitted-Judge absent

Police submitted-nothing to add.

Street submitted-nothing to add.

Sewer submitted- Jim followed up that the lines were changed from 10" to 12". The trash pump seal went out at the plant and would like to purchase a new one in the amount of \$2,525.00 from Fluid and Thermo Systems. Joe Thomas moved to purchase the pump seal, second by Ron Sullins, all in favor.

Water submitted-nothing to add, absent.

Town Superintendent submitted-Chris said the sidewalks are scheduled for the middle to the end of July for West Street. A discussion was held on increasing the sidewalk allowance to extend from West Street to Renee Drive. Steve Brown moved to approve this extension of the sidewalks, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Fire submitted-absent-Kathy spoke on behalf of Eric, asking for Volunteer Fire Pay approximately \$9,500.00 to be paid in July. Motion by Joe Thomas, second by John Ludy, all in favor. Eric would like to pay Firehouse Resources for the extrication equipment in the amount of \$20,667.70 prior to the next council meeting. Joe Thomas made the motion to approve paying for the equipment, second by Ron Sullins, all in favor.

Fremont Park Board submitted-Lon stated two main issues at the Moose Skate Park, one removing the bad fencing and putting in stone for parking. Chris is going to check with Dexter Axle and see if they will commit to helping with the project. Lon said

the Park Board would also like to see a connection between the two parks by vacating Pearl Street and would like input if this is feasible.

OTHER GENERAL MATTERS

John Ludy would like to see a map of the Town available in the community room.

John Ludy moved to appoint Chris Snyder to represent the Town on the Fremont Grant Fund Board., second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Loretta Smart asked to move the next council meeting July 18, 2006 to 5:00 p.m. Ron Sullins moved to approve the changing of the time for the council meeting, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Ron Sullins moved to approve the lease rental payment on the Town Hall from the Lease Rental fund, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Steve Brown moved to purchase two benches to help prevent vehicles from parking on a cemented area at the Town Hall, second by John Ludy, all in favor.

There is a question regarding comp time in the personnel policy for the Police Department and comp time pertaining to one employee. Ron Sullins moved to give the concerns to the personnel policy committee to get there recommendation, second by John Ludy, all in favor.

Ron Sullins asked about how the codification was coming along. Kathy said she would have a report for the next council meeting.

Ron Sullins asked if there was any progress on the Town's website. Discussion followed. This will be reported back at the next meeting.

Ron Sullins submitted to IACT on behalf of the town to be considered for the Community Achievement Award.

John Ludy acknowledged the Police Department and Jim Barron for the favorable comments on their work at Willow Prairie.

Lon invited everyone to attend the Fremont Area Chamber Luncheon to be held at the Town Hall on June 28, 2006 at 11:00 a.m.

John Ludy moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Steve Brown, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Loretta Smart

Steve Brown

Ron Sullins

Joe Thomas

John N. Ludy

Attest:

Mary K. Parsons, IAMC/CMC
Clerk-Treasurer