

March 6, 2007

The special meeting of the Town Council was called to order by President Loretta Smart on March 6th, 2007, at 6:00 p.m.

Silent roll call: Loretta Smart, Steve Brown, Joe Thomas, and Kay Clark. John Ludy was absent.

*Others representing the town were:
Mary K. Parsons-IAMC/CMC-Clerk-Treasurer
Chris Snyder-Town Superintendent
Joshua Burkhart-Town Attorney*

Others attending were: David Koenig, Region IIIA and Ron Sullins, Fremont Historic Society.

Chris Snyder presented Parcel 2 and 12 for approval to purchase right of way. Joe Thomas moved to approve both as presented, second by Kay Clark, all in favor.

Chris Snyder presented Resolution 2007-3, a Resolution showing the Town's interest in a Parcel valued over \$25,000.00. This is for parcel 2. This gives the Town the right to offer to purchase as a right of way acquisition or an entire take. Steve Brown made the motion to approve Resolution 2007-3, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Joe Thomas had asked Chris to put together a budget as to where we were at as far as expenditures, overruns, etc. Chris said the project is now a \$3,700,000.00 to \$3,800,000.00 project.

Chris Snyder requested that the Council approve to pay Rita Gabriel \$ 7,110.00 and Worden Group \$15,800.00. Joe Thomas moved to approve these invoices as presented, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

Chris Snyder met with a representative from Fleming Excavating, V-S Engineering, Joshua Burkhart and David Koenig to put together terminology for the notice to proceed that would satisfy both Fleming Excavating and EDA. They believe the language worked out and will present this at the regular meeting on March 20th.

Chris Snyder is working with NIPSCO to see what they will need in order to issue the Notice to Proceed.

Chris Snyder is requesting that Loretta be given the authority by the Council to approve parcel for right of way acquisition not to exceed \$25,000.00. This is to keep the buyer moving along. Joe Thomas made the motion to allow Loretta Smart, as President, the authority to approve parcels not to exceed \$25,000.00, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

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David Koenig brought up that the Town could make a draw off the State grant. However, if something happened and notice to proceed was not given, the Town could have to pay this back. It was the recommendation of Chris Snyder and Kathy Parsons, Clerk-Treasurer that we do not draw off this grant. The Council concurred.

The Federal Grant requires that the Notice to Proceed be given by March 31st, 2007 and that certification of title is in place.

CSI- is the low bidder. We had to request a letter from them stating that their price was good for 60 days, versus 30 days. This letter was given and they are the lowest responsible and responsive bidder. Chris Snyder and Kathy Parsons are asking that the Council approve allowing Beers, Mallers, Backs and Salin, LLP to prepare the legal notice for the paper for the Request for Proposals and to solicit quotes from the banks. Steve Brown made the motion for approval to prepare the document, second by Kay Clark, all in favor.

Loretta Smart would like to attend a luncheon put on by the Angola Chamber of Commerce on March 23, 2007 for \$15.00. Joe Thomas made the motion for Loretta to attend, second by Kay Clark, all in favor.

Ron Sullins brought in history information that he prepared and would like it to be placed on the Web Site. He would like the Council to review it and get back with him in 10 days with anything they would like to add. He would like to be on the Agenda on March 20th. The Council will review and decide if the Municipal web site is the best place for this kind of information.

Kay Clark made the motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Loretta Smart, President

Steve Brown, Vice President

Joe Thomas, Council Member

Attest:

John N. Ludy, Council Member

Mary K. Parsons, IAMC/CMC
Clerk-Treasurer

Kay Clark, Council Member

