May 15, 2007

The regular Town Council meeting was called to order by President Loretta Smart on May 15, 2007, at 6:00 p.m.

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

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

Others attending were: Jim Measel, with WLKI radio station, Jim Shilander, with the Herald Republican, and Andy Dodzik, with DLZ Engineering.

Steve Brown moved to approve the minutes, second by Kay Clark, all in favor.

Joe Thomas moved to approve the claims, payroll and comp time, second by John Ludy, all in favor.

Joe Thomas moved to approve awarding the bid for the Ray-Clear Lake road project to Brooks Construction in the amount of $79,010.40, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

John Ludy moved to approve advertising for street bids for Albion Street (Broad to Wayne), Bell Street (St Rd. 120 to North), and Spring Street (Baum to the end), to be opened at the June 19th regular council meeting and awarded at the July meeting, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

Andy Dodzik congratulated the Town on receiving the Downtown Revitalization grant.

Steve Brown moved to approve by-pass change order #1 for a decrease of $62,896.97, subject to EDA approval, second by John Ludy, all in favor.

Joe Thomas moved to approve the purchase of right of way on parcels #1, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12, 20, and 30, as presented and partial mortgage release on parcel #3 in the amount of $100.00 and $350.00 on parcel #21, also the right of entry on parcel #8, second by Kay Clark, 4 ayes, Steve Brown abstained.

Steve Brown moved to approve the administrative settlement agreement on parcel #12 in the amount of $2,000.00, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Joe Thomas moved to approve Application 1 for the by-pass project for the Fleming Construction in the amount of $108,993.69, second by Kay Clark, all in favor.

Joe Thomas moved to approve paying Right of Way Jones in the amount of $1,050.00, second by John Ludy, all in favor.

The Abandoned Vehicle Ordinance was tabled until the next council meeting, June 19, 2007.

John Ludy moved to have both Dr. Ted J. Crisman, M.D. and Dr. Christopher J. Bretz, M.D. as the company Doctors, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

Steve Brown moved to approve the utility credits and the Special Pavilion credit, second by Kay Clark, all in favor.

John Ludy moved to approve Ordinance 2007-05, an ordinance allowing the Assistant Fire Chief to receive $300.00 in addition to points pay per year, and allowing the Town-Utility Clerk to receive $1000.00 for achieving an IAMC certification, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

Steve Brown moved to waive the second reading of Ordinance 2007-05, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

John Ludy moved to approve the new Mason Lodge (East of Town) to hook up to sewer as a Class II meter user at the out of town rate, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

Joe Thomas moved to allow Spring Haven Development to allow phase 3 to connect to town water and sewer at out of town rates subject agreement to waive the right to remonstrate, second by Kay Clark, all in favor.

John Ludy moved to approve Kathy attending the IACT Clerk-Treasurer conference June 26th and June 27th in Indianapolis, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Joe Thomas moved to approve placing a Security System on the doors at the Town Hall, by Williams Electronics in the amount of $3,572.65, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

Joe Thomas moved to approve filing a Conflict of Interest form for Paul Kennedy, second by Kay Clark, all in favor.

Joe Thomas moved to approve paying Asphalt Seal Coating and Patching in the amount of $1,356.00, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

An Employee has requested to be removed from the Town Insurance coverage. Joe Thomas moved to approve an employee dropping the Town's insurance as long as he signs a form understanding that he can only be added back to the policy during the open enrollment or a qualifying event, second by Steve Brown, all in favor.

REPORTS

Court submitted-nothing to add.

Police submitted-nothing to add.

Street submitted-nothing to add. John Ludy thanked the Street Department for all their help planting trees.

Sewer submitted-nothing to add.

Water submitted-nothing to add.

Town Superintendent submitted-Chris added that Scott Township would like to have the Fremont Fire Department cover their township for fire protection, same as First Responder to 300 N. Steve Brown moved to approve a contract with Scott Township, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Fremont Fire Department submitted-In Eric's absence Kathy asked to allow the 20% down payment for the new fire truck in the amount of $56,574.60 and allow a draw from the Escrow account for the chassis in the amount of $73,516.00. Joe Thomas moved to approve the down payment and allow a draw from the escrow account to pay the chasse payment, second by John Ludy, all in favor. Eric would like approval for Kathy and Chris to approve Eric ordering equipment for the new fire trucks as needed. This will come out of the special donation fund. John Ludy moved to approve this request, not exceed $1,000.00, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor. A discussion was held on how to sell the old fire truck, bids or auction were the best options given, however internet can be used.

Park Board submitted-nothing to add.

OTHER GENERAL MATTERS

A reminder was given by Kathy stating that the Fremont Elementary 4th grade class will be touring the Town Hall on May 16th between 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This week is Indiana Association of City and Towns (IACT) Municipal Government week. And the children are learning about Local Government.

John Ludy moved to adjourn, second by Joe Thomas, all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

May 15, 2007

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Loretta Smart, President

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Steve Brown, Vice President

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Joe Thomas, Council Member

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John N. Ludy, Council Member

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Kay Clark, Council Member

Attest:

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Mary K. Parsons, IAMC/CMC
Clerk-Treasurer