COMMON COUNCIL FEBRUARY 2, 2011 7:00 P. M.

Mayor Randy Strasser opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was given by Leanne Aldrich. Council members present were: Carolyn Pearson, Nelson Smith, Hannah Germond and Dan Sterrett. Brian Garrison was absent.

Two spelling errors were noted and corrected in the minutes of January 17, 2011. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to approve the minutes with corrections. Second by Hannah Germond. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Laura Walls, Director of CCEDC spoke to the Council and guests. Explanation of the two TIF districts was given. IPC and area of Gray's Turkey Farm where there is no development with industry and no income from taxes yet. The need for water and sewer lines is high priority. Some of the land captured in the TIF would belong to the City. An agreement would have to be reached on who would administer the funds. This is in the early stages. Consolidation of the two areas would give a better reason to use funds from IPC TIF to help industrial park.
- 2) Anita Werling came before the Council with information on the Revitalization Task Force formed two months ago. Eventually the Task Force will come to the Council with options to put together a Revitalization Committee with the intent to make the downtown the nucleus and spokes out to other areas like the canal and HHH. All efforts will be directed towards promotion of our town, economic restructuring and design. Anita extended an invitation to any council member with interest to please come to the meetings and share ideas.
- 3) Randy presented the holiday schedule as per our policy manual. Saturday holidays are moved to Fridays and Sunday holidays are moved to Monday. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to set the 23rd and 26th of December as holidays. Second by Nelson Smith. Motion carries. President's Day, July 4th and Labor Day holidays conflict with BOW and Council meetings. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to leave President's Day on the 21th of February and keep the BOW meeting scheduled for 4:30 PM. Second by Nelson Smith. Motion carried. Nelson Smith made the motion to move the BOW and Council meeting to July 11th and September 12th. Second by Dan Sterrett. Motion carried.
- 4) The entrance sign to the City needs to be moved and the City will be reimbursed \$1,700.00. Mayor Strasser needs to sign a quick claim deed. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to approve the Mayor signing the agreement. Second by Hannah Germond. Motion carried.
- 5) Agreement from !NDOT on St. Rd. 25. \$1,250,000.00 will be paid in five installments. The first payment will be 35 days after the transfer of the road or September 1, 2014 and each year after. All money must go back into projects with the road like curbs and sidewalks. We must have a resolution set up before the money comes to us. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to approve the agreement with INDOT. Second by Hannah Germond. Motion carried.

- 6) Fuel Ordinance 2011-1. This ordinance will change the department purchasing fuel. The water department will purchase the fuel and each department will reimburse the water department for their usage. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to approve the fuel ordinance. Second by Hannah Germond. Motion carried.
- 7) Roads will have to be renamed and presented change must go to Post Office as well as 911. These changes are due to the HHH and will mandate changes on the road names on the east side of Delphi. If you think of appropriate names, please email or call Mayor Strasser.

OLD BUSINESS:

John Gingrich appeared before the Council on behalf of the airport board asking the intentions of the Council in regards to the proposal presented in January. Mr. Gingrich offered the presence of Ken Ross to answer any questions possible. Carolyn Pearson proposed a work session on the 17th of February for interaction between council and possible interested parties. The Council agreed to meet on the 17th of February at 6:00 P.M. Nelson Smith felt that would be a good time to address the issue of location for Street and Water and Fire Departments.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Clerk Treasurer. The Ctar is completed and the advertisement of the financial statement is ready to place in the paper. Rollover will be completed and with the final notice of the budget approval for 2011, dollar amounts can be placed in the program.

Wastewater. Dick VanSickle informed the Council of the problem they are experiencing with the plant. They are trying different chemicals and working with advisors on the situation.

Street. Aaron Lyons reported on the extensive snow removal work. The job has been complicated at times with parked vehicles. No parking on Main St. can be enforced but side streets are not part of the ordinance. Hannah Germond praised Aaron and all employees who worked long hours on our streets. Carolyn Pearson felt the crews accommodated the people.

Parks. Anita Force's staff has kept the walking paths open all but two days. Anita has been working on the summer rec program.

Police. John Chapman passed out a monthly and yearly report. One of his officers could possibly be exposed to HIV. An effort is being made to work with the offender to determine medical history to alleviate stress.

Airport. Brian Stirm has been kept busy plowing snow. The rotary beacon light has been repaired. The runway lights are on auto and an evaluation of the electric bill will be made. A parachute group may be coming as a permanent part of the airport.

Area Plan. Nelson Smith attended the meeting but there was not a quorum.

Fire Territory. Darrell Sterrett explained that January was slow. The 505 engine is back from being repaired in Illinois.

Community Development. Kevin Kologinsky updated the Council on the status of the Freedom Bridge, Interurban, Floodgate, Safe Route to Schools and Deer Creek Levee Study.

Revitalization. Anita Werling detailed the project for homeowners involving the youth. Boards would be created that would stand in the front yards and display a history and maybe pictures of the home.

Mayor Strasser will be taking a trip to Washington D.C. along with members from Carroll County and Tippecanoe County. He will be attending meetings in D.C. Mayor Strasser requested the Council reimburse him for fuel and meals. Carolyn Pearson made the motion for reimbursement for fuel and meals. Second by Dan Sterrett. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Mayor Ranky Strasser

Carolyn President, President

Brian Garrison

Nelson Smith

Hannah Germond

Dan Sterrett