

COMMON COUNCIL  
CITY OF DELPHI  
AUGUST 2, 2010  
7:00 PM

The meeting was called or order by Mayor Randy Strasser. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was given by all present.

Roll call was taken and the following council members were present: Carolyn Pearson, Brian Garrison, Nelson Smith, Hannah Germond and Dan Sterrett.

The minutes for the July 12, 2010 meeting were approved with the following corrections: TIF district (in minutes it was presented as TIFF) on page 1. County share (in minutes it was presented as City share) bottom paragraph. Motion was made by Carolyn Pearson, second by Dan Sterrett. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

EDC desires to participate in TIF but they did not have a quorum at their meeting.

N. Washington St. is continuing with monitoring. Reports indicate that if clean up is necessary it will be minor. Nelson Smith wanted to know how long of a time period for monitoring and Mayor Strasser informed the council it is a year time period.

Armory Building – the date for the public hearing will be August 24 at 6:00 PM and will be held in the armory for public viewing. Brian Garrison wants to know what we anticipate gaining by having a public meeting. Hannah Germond doesn't feel enough input from the public on their desires has been heard. Nelson Smith has not had any calls from the community. Questions arose concerning expenses and who will bear the burden. Hannah Germond questioned the date the street and water needs to be out for the fire department remodeling. Mayor Strasser explained after the planning grant is completed it could be as early as next summer to begin construction.

NEW BUSINESS:

Curb/Sidewalk. The Board of Works discussed amending the present program and this would enable citizens to hire contractors. Nelson Smith questioned Aaron Lyons if we have construction standards and Aaron said yes. Aaron said this is only the second time in the last nine years that a resident has wanted to hire his or her own contractor. Kurtis Fouts, city attorney, is looking into an amendment to the ordinance. Mr. Fouts warns the council there is concern with bonding, liens, easements and insurance. Mayor Strasser wants direction from the council. Nelson Smith feels there should be two bids, apply to Clerk's office for permits as well as register for program and an inspection when work is completed and if the work passes inspection, the homeowner could be reimbursed. Kurtis Fouts will move forward on this issue.

6<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show will be held on September 4<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 to 9:00 PM and will be sponsored by The Oddfellow Lodge. There will be no cost to the city but a request to block off streets on three sides of the courthouse. Brian Garrison made the motion to accommodate the car show, second by Hannah Germond. Motion carried.

Department Reports

Clerk's Office requested to work with Espy. This company works with many cities and towns as well as corporations. They work with your phone accounts and results prove a savings for most. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to work with Espy, second by Brian Garrison. Motion carried. The first meeting with DLGF for budget was held and Carolyn Pearson attended the meeting with Leanne.

Wastewater/Water reports they are still awaiting cost for repair or replacement on damaged pump on St. Rd. 39 lift station. The lift station on Armory Road is being pumped manually due to a failed mechanical seal. The water department repaired a leak on N. Brewer.

Street Department has worked with Milestone on curb and sidewalks. Blacktopping of curbs on Main, Market and Union Streets has been completed. Tree removal, replacing dirt and usual duties were handled.

Parks Department reported vandalism. Graffiti done at Riley Park had to be painted over. Riley Park will be the site of the annual dog frisbee contest as well the first 3 on 3 basketball tournament handled by the Educational Foundation of Delphi Community Schools. The Lion's Club repaired the boardwalk at Riley Park.

Area Plan reported the BZA approved the Zook remodel permit.

Community Director Kevin Kologinsky gave both a personal as well as a status report. He migrated here from Philadelphia where he has a law firm. Kevin brought information on the Floodgate Grant, Freedom Bridge Grant as well as the Inter Urban Trail. He would like to focus his work with HUD, Area IV and work toward providing "green" home. All grant information we can pass his way will be appreciated.

Solid Waste did not have a report.

Mayor Strasser/Proclamation. Jerry Lowry, Jerry's Barber Shop, has been in business for 50 years. This Wednesday he will be honored and a plaque will be presented to him.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05PM

Randy Strasser

Jason Smith

Carolyn K. Pearson

Harold C. Gernand

Brian Garrison

Don Strasser