

COMMON COUNCIL

OCTOBER 3, 2011

7:00 P.M.

Mayor Randy Strasser opened the meeting for business and led in the recitation of the pledge of allegiance.

Roll call was given and the following were present: Carolyn Pearson; Brian Garrison; Nelson Smith; Hannah Germond; Dan Sterrett.

Minutes from the meeting held on September 12, 2011 were presented for approval. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Second by Hannah Germond. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A) Review of budget dates and reminder given to members that the final public hearing on the proposed 2012 budget will be held on October 17, 2011 at 6:00 P.M.
- B) A list of considerations for the transfer of the Stone Barn to Delphi Historical Society was discussed. The earlier date of November 1, 2011 would release the City of responsibility. Insurance would be secured by the Historical Society. The park department can move at any time until construction or grants are implemented. A list of what is owned by parks department or city should be drawn up. Seniors would be allowed to use the building as previously discussed. The fire department needs to move their antique truck due to the anticipated use of this space for museum storage. Ms. Huffer will draw up the contract and secure title work. Brian Garrison made the motion to sell Stone Barn to Delphi Historical Society. Second by Hannah Germond. A question on if an amount was needed and it was determined to set the sale price at one dollar. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A) Laura Walls, director of EDC brought a 4 year contract and explained this is in addition to the one year contract we have on file. This 4 year contract is with the county as well as the city. The 4 year contract lays out expectations and results. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to approve the 4 year contract between city and EDC. Second by Nelson Smith. Motion carried. Laura mentioned a delegation will be going to Indianapolis and information will be given on sites that we have to offer for industry. The trip to Japan was good and it is felt that good things will come from this effort.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Wastewater. Dick VanSickle reported the new sludge pump was installed. Another meeting has been held with IDEM concerning plant operation and compliance plan. There was one release and the plant is back in compliance. Brian Garrison questioned why one of the new hydrants has a plastic bag attached. Dick did not know but would get an answer.

Water. Craig Myers submitted a written report on the gallons pumped and the work his department has been involved in.

Street. Aaron Lyons informed the council that work on all the streets has been completed. The recycle center has moved and the new location is working well. Nelson questioned if we have a schedule for picking up limbs. Aaron reported we work this in when we are picking up leaves. It is posted on our web site and there are information sheets in the Clerk's office. Brian Garrison inquired who would be responsible for tree trimming along the power lines. Aaron reported that the responsibility lies with the utility company.

Parks. Anita Force completed a tree program with DNR and must serve 15 hours community time in order to receive her certification and she plans to complete time in our parks. Restrooms at all park locations are scheduled to be closed on October 17, 2011. The park board has accepted a bid on repaving the circle drive and this will include free painting of parking spaces. New doors have been purchased and will be installed by Flora & Arion. These doors will be installed on the restrooms at Riley Park Annex. The park board will begin work on a schedule for maintenance for all the parks,

Police. John Chapman reported that on the 12th of October applications would be taken into consideration for the 911 position. Negotiations are continuing with the county council in regards to the cost of dispatch.

Airport. Brian Stirm was not present for the meeting.

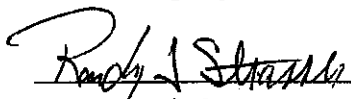
Area Plan. Nelson Smith announced that the October meeting of Area Plan will result with recommendations for the County Council in regards to zoning.

Fire. Darrell Sterrett informed the council members of Fire Prevention Week beginning next week. The fire department will be working with the schools with information and procedures. Nelson Smith commented on the kids positive reactions to the activities presented by the fire department.


Community Development. Kevin Kologinsky sent a report to each member containing updates on the grants and Main Street.

Mayor. Mayor Randy Strasser gave a written report and noted the following items. Region IV Workforce will be represented by 7 counties when they meet at the Canal Center. The purpose is to focus on education that will help industries established in our area as well as possible new industry. IACT will have the annual meeting on the 9th through the 11th of October in Indianapolis and Mayor Strasser will be attending.


The meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.



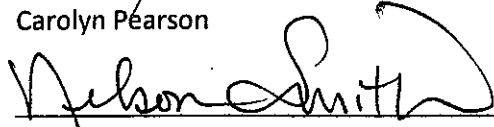
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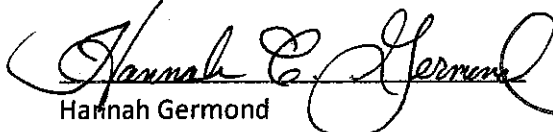
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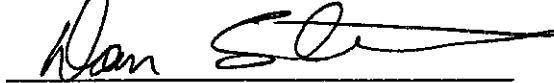
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