

MEETING MINUTES

Monday, February 21, 2011

Invocation was given by Commissioner Norm Brunson.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor Tom Meeks, Commissioners - Jack Emmons, Norman Brunson, and William C. Hudson

Also Present: City Clerk Rudy Witsman and City Attorney Tom Price

MAYORS COMMENTS

Mayor Tom Meeks brought the city council meeting to order. Mayor Meeks congratulated Tanner Crum who won the Illinois High School Association’s Class 1A 285-pound State Championship. Mayor Meeks noted that this region has some talented athletes.

IN OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Jay Purvis from Wabash General Hospital addressed the City Council and presented an overview of Wabash General Hospitals progress for 2010...

Rod Rodriguez, RMC Chairman announced the committee is hosting a monthly event call a Cruise-In. These monthly events are designed to last 5-8 p.m. once a month from April through October. Local stores will be open during the evening shows, and food will be available on site. City Council approved the closing of two blocks on Market Street for these events. The first event will be April 15, 2011. Mr. Rodriguez stated that the annual Guns and Hoses Event will be held at the Middle School on March 5, 2011 all proceeds will go to the Wabash County Museum this year. Chairman Rodriguez also stated that on March 29, 2011 there will be a dinner at the Eagles to help the Kiwanis raise money to build an 18 x 36 Shelter for the Lincoln Park, everyone welcome.

Bill Stinson, spokesman for Stinger Properties Inc., approached the City Council about expanding water services to the Hillside Trailer Park, situated on Route One southwest of Mt. Carmel near Sugar Creek. Mr. Stinson said the company hopes to acquire an \$180,000.00 federal grant to do the 6-inch water extension approximately 1.3 miles. The trailer Park now has bad drinking water and has been in repeated violation of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency public water supply quality standards.

Steve Eldred approached the council on the laws about non-highway vehicles, after much discussion, no action was taken at this time.

REPORTS:

COMMISSIONER JACK EMMONS – FINANCE AND SENIOR CITIZENS

Commissioner Emmons reported that the Senior Citizens Program is staying within their budget, the State is still behind 3 to 4 months on payments.

Cash Investment Balance as of 02-08-11	\$628,680.02
Receipts:	\$ 28,367.04
	\$ 74,253.42
Cash Investment Balance 02-21-11	\$582,793.64
Recreation Fund:	\$ 17,050.79
Receipt:	\$ 2,281.80
Expenditures:	\$ 55.77
Balance:	\$ 19,276.82
Accounts Payable:	\$ 361.24
Garbage Fund Account Beginning Balance:	\$165,892.57
Receipts:	\$ 19,669.26
Expenditures:	\$ 3,501.20
Balance:	\$182,060.63
Accounts Payable:	\$ 25,409.63

Airport Fund:	\$(44,351.02)
Receipts:	\$ 3,991.20
Expenditures:	\$ 4,419.56
Balance:	\$(44,779.38)
Accounts Receivable:	
Accounts Payable:	\$ 7,395.96
Water Fund Account Beginning Balance:	\$105,255.95
Receipts:	-0-
Expenditures:	-0-
	\$125,733.68
Accounts Payable:	\$ 18,902.57
Sewer Fund Account:	\$ 32,787.62
Receipts:	\$ 29,089.90
Expenditures:	\$ 13,942.05
Balance:	\$ 47,935.47
Accounts Payable:	\$ 13,545.12
Golf Course Fund:	\$(380,895.61)
Receipts:	\$ 8,910.42
Expenditures:	\$ 7,772.80
Balance:	\$(379,757.99)
Accounts Payable:	\$ 873.88

COMMISSIONER MIKE WITTERS – STREETS, CEMETERIES AND PARKS

No report.

COMMISSIONER NORMAN BRUNSON – FIRE, HEALTH & SAFETY, GARBAGE, CITY HALL AND CIVIL DEFENSE

Commissioner Brunson reported that the Fire Department responded to 8 runs in the past 2 weeks. The Fire Department has also applied for a FEMA grant to obtain new radios.

COMMISSIONER BILL HUDSON – WATER AND SEWER

Commissioner Hudson stated that the Water and Sewer Departments are running well. Repairs to No. 2 final clarifier were completed and the equipment is back in operation. Commissioner Hudson extended thanks to John Boss of Boss Machine Shop and volunteer Phil Cross from the city street department for their assistance.

Administrative Assistant Rudy Witsman

Administrative Assistant Rudy Witsman presented Ordinance 962 – Delta Communications Right-of-Way Agreement. Delta Communications plans to lay fiber optic line in Mt. Carmel to build links via broadband throughout several southeastern Illinois counties.

City Attorney Tom Price

No Report.

BUSINESS MOTIONS

Commissioner Hudson motioned to approve to pay all bills, seconded by Commissioner Brunson. All Present voted Aye.

Commissioner Brunson motioned to approve minutes of last City Council Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Hudson. All present voted Aye.

Mayor Meeks motioned to approve closing Market Street on April 15, May 20, July 15 and Sept. 16 for car shows sponsored by Merchants Committee, seconded by Commissioner Emmons. All present voted Aye.

Commissioner Emmons motioned to approve Ordinance No. 962 – Delta Communications Right-of-Way Agreement, seconded by Commissioner Brunson. All present voted Aye.

Mayor
ATTEST:

City Clerk

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