

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

February 13, 2012

The Board of Public Works of the City of Loogootee met in regular session on Monday, February 13, 2012 at 6:00pm in the Council Room of the City Municipal Building.

ROLL-CALL: Mayor Noel Harty, Clerk-Treasurer Nancy Jones, City Attorney Mark Jones, board members Fred Dupps and Ron Gilbert.

Pledge to Flag given by all.

Minutes of previous meeting: The minutes for the January, 2012 meeting were presented for approval. Fred Dupps made a motion to approve, 2nd by Ron Gilbert, all ayes.

Unfinished Business:

Dispatch program: There was discussion about the amount the City will pay to the County for dispatch services. It was unclear if the figure of \$5,000 was for 6 months or one year. Randy Bell spoke for the volunteer fire department stating a meeting has been set to discuss concerns the department has with county dispatch procedures that involve the Fire Department. Ron Gilbert made a motion to continue dispatch with present hours for 6 months, 2nd by Fred Dupps, all ayes. Chief Rayhill will get a clarification from Sheriff Rob Street on the amount the county will charge.

Purchase of tasers: Chief Rayhill has requested to purchase 2 tasers for the police department. The cost will be \$2,508.10 for two tasers, holsters, cartridges and duty ammo. Fred Dupps made a motion to approve the request of the Chief to make the purchase, 2nd by Ron Gilbert, all ayes.

Parking along square: Mayor Harty reported that INDOT has been contacted about parking issue on the west side of the square that borders JFK Avenue, which is state highway. The City needs this information to be able to issue parking violations. The Mayor expects to have information by the next meeting.

New Business:

Utility adjustments: not available at this time.

Citizen Input/comments: none

Adjournment: Fred Dupps made a motion to adjourn this meeting to move on with council meeting and to reopen meeting after council meeting to review adjustments, 2nd by Ron Gilbert, all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 6:12.

NOEL D. HARTY, MAYOR

Attest: _____
NANCY JONES, CLERK-TREASURER

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

February 13, 2012

The Common Council of the City of Loogootee met in regular session on Monday, February 13, 2012 at 6:14pm in the Council Room of the City Municipal Building

Pledge to Flag given by all.

Mayor Harty began the meeting with a remembrance of Linda Ledgerwood Ellis who passed away suddenly on February 9th. She was mayoral assistant to former Mayor Don Bowling and to Mayor Harty. He noted that she was a valuable asset to City management and will be missed tremendously.

Roll-Call: Mayor Noel Harty, Clerk-Treasurer Nancy Jones, City Attorney Mark Jones, Council members, Richard Taylor, Rick Norris, John Fraley, Fred Dupps and Rob Gilbert. Also present were James E. (Bo) Wilson, Utility Manager; Kelly Rayhill, Chief of Police; Morgan Huebner, Fire Chief, several firemen, media representatives and several citizens.

Minutes of the previous meeting: Rich Taylor made a motion to approve the minutes from the January, 2012 regular meeting, 2nd by Rick Norris, all ayes.

Building Permits: one presented for Eric and Lisa Brittain in Country Court for an addition to home. John Fraley made a motion to approve, 2nd by Ron Gilbert, all ayes.

Claims: Rick Norris made a motion to pay the claims as submitted, 2nd by Rich Taylor, all ayes, motion carried.

Transfer of appropriations: none

Under unfinished business:

Bathroom remodel for upstairs at SIDC: It was previous agreed that the City would pay a percentage of the cost to upgrade the bathroom in the city annex building used by SIDC staff. Ron Gilbert made a motion to reimburse \$451.99 to SIDC, 2nd by Fred Dupps, all ayes.

New Business

Home Owner Occupied Grant: Jenny Dearwester of SIDC was present to explain a grant available to the City for upgrades to homes in the City. After a question and answer period, Fred Dupps made a motion to move forward with the process, 2nd by John Fraley. The first step will be an interest determination from homeowners.

New computer for Deputy Clerk Treasurer: CT Jones asked for approval to purchase new computer for Deputy Clerk with the cost being split between water, sewer and general. The cost will be approximately \$1,200. Rick Norris made a motion to approve, 2nd by Rich Taylor, all ayes. The computer being used by the Deputy Clerk at present will be kept in council room as a back- up computer. All programs and information on the hard drive will be deleted.

Bond for Police Pension Secretary: CT Jones presented bond information for police pension secretary, Kelly Rayhill for approval and signatures. Rich Taylor made a motion to approve, 2nd by Ron Gilbert, all ayes.

SIDC Board appointment: Mayor Harty noted that the appointment has always been the Mayor in past. He is willing to continue with that practice unless someone on council is interested in sitting on the board. Rick Norris made a motion to appoint Mayor Harty, 2nd by Rich Taylor, all ayes. Council president Rick Norris signed the form.

Health Insurance: the increase for this year is 7.5%.

Other announcements:

Budget for 2012: the City has been notified that our proposed budget for 2012 has been approved.

Building Inspector: Mayor Harty announced the appointment of Jason Greene as building inspector. This will be an unpaid position this year. He also named Harold Green, Kay Ackerman, Elaine Renoir, Susie Brewer and Judith Blackwell. The Mayor stated he will look at funding this position in next year's budget.

Condolences: to Nancy Spaulding on the death of her mother-in-law, Rose Wilma Spaulding.

Superintendent of Loogootee community schools Larry Weitkamp praised the street department on the job they performed during inclement weather event on January 3rd.

FEMA grant: the Loogootee Volunteer Fire Department has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$118,215. The local match will be 5%, \$5910. The grant will be used for replacement of 20 year old SCBA units (air packs).

Public comment/citizen input:

Fred Dupps reported that he had spoken to Cary Bledsoe of Stimulus Engineering and that activity will continue at the former elementary east school building which Stimulus rents for training space. This is in response to a question asked at the January meeting.

Adjournment: Motion made by Rich Taylor to adjourn, 2nd by Ron Gilbert, all voted in favor. 6:36pm

NOEL D. HARTY, MAYOR

Attest:

NANCY JONES, CLERK-TREASURER

6:36 The Mayor reopened the Board of Public Works meeting to review the utility adjustments presented for Bratton, Daugherty, Day, Greene, Hulse, Marley, Osborne, Simmons, Taylor and Tucker. Fred Dupps made a motion to approve the adjustments as presented, 2nd by Ron Gilbert, all ayes. Fred Dupps made motion to adjourn, 2nd by Ron Gilbert, all ayes. The meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.