

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**June 11, 2012**

The Board of Public Works of the City of Loogootee met in regular session on Monday, June 11, 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 May, 2012 meeting were presented for approval. Fred Dupps made a motion to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Gilbert, all ayes.

**Unfinished Business:**

Hudson property: Mr. Hudson has not granted an easement so a drainage ditch can be dug to help with the water problem on his property.

**New Business:**

Utility adjustments: adjustments presented for Callison, Britton, Fields, Fraley, Honeycutt, Kidwell, Walker and for pools; Ackerman, Adams, Ader, Arthur, Bateman, Chandler, Durham, Franklin, Greene, Hart, Hupp, Inman, E. Jones, M. Jones, Kidwell, Lythgoe, O’Brian, Rahman, Simmons, Slaven, Smith, Stuffle, Tedrow, Wagoner, D. Zins and J. Zins. Ron Gilbert made a motion to approve the adjustments as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fred Dupps, all ayes.

Citizen Input/comments: none

Adjournment: Ron Gilbert made a motion to adjourn this meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fred Dupps, all ayes. Adjourned at 6:03.

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NOEL D. HARTY, MAYOR

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
NANCY JONES, CLERK-TREASURER

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL**

**June 11, 2012**

The Common Council of the City of Loogootee met in regular session on Monday, June 11, 2012 at 6:05pm in the Council Room of the City Municipal Building

Pledge to Flag given by all.

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

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

Building Permits: one presented for Jeremy Osborne on Sherman Street for a deck. Ron Gilbert made a motion to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Fraley, all ayes.

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

Transfer of appropriations: none

**Under unfinished business:**

Traffic on Butcher Blvd. complaint: The Mayor, Chief of Police and School Superintendent Weitkamp met to discuss the complaint and Mayor reports continued progress on the situation.

Animal Control Ordinance: Fred Dupps has looked at the current city ordinances regarding animal control. He questioned whether the City could just adopt the county ordinance. Discussion held. Will ask Attorney Jones review our ordinances and put on agenda for July meeting.

Grass clippings in roadway: Mayor asked if this continued to be a problem and no complaints made.

Ammend 2012 Salary Ordinance: CT Jones presented an amendment to the 2012 salary ordinance to reflect the recent change in the amount the employees pay for the premium. It will now read the City pays for 90% and the employees 15%. Rick Norris made a motion to pass the amendment, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rich Taylor, all ayes. Ordinance 2012-1. Rich Taylor made a motion to suspend the rules and pass on the first reading, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Gilbert, all ayes.

Status of Smith property on North Line: The Mayor stated the property has sold and is scheduled for demolition around the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

## New Business

ADA requirements: The Mayor included in the information for the council prior to the meeting new requirements for ADA compliance for their review. Will be discussed at later meeting.

Smoking requirements: signs that state no smoking within 8 feet of our city buildings will be purchased and placed at the doors of city owned buildings due to a new state law. Bo Wilson asked if this included city owned vehicles. The Mayor stated he would have to check into this. It was noted that a change will need to be made in our employee manual.

Rate study committee: The Mayor is forming a committee to review the rate study results and make recommendations to the Board of Public Works. Umbaugh has completed the study and is ready to present their findings and recommendations. The Mayor has asked citizens Linda Cropp and Eric Jones and former Mayor Don Bowling to serve along with Utility Superintendent Bo Wilson, CT Jones and asked for two council members to be on committee. Fred Dupps and Rick Norris agreed to be on the committee.

Street Closure for Summerfest: The Mayor requested permission to close certain city streets during the hours of the Summerfest on the 14, 15 and 16th. Ron Gilbert made a motion to close the streets as requested, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rick Norris, all ayes.

Lift station repair: 2 quotes were obtained: Reynolds \$2800 not to exceed \$3600, K&M from Evansville area \$1400 not to exceed \$2000. Bo Wilson recommended the low bid from K&M. The employees will pull the pump, clean debris and then K&M will make the repairs. Rick Norris made a motion to accept the low bid from K&M, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Gilbert, all ayes.

Awards Bids for fire equipment: The Fire Chief reported they had reviewed the bids that were opened at last month's meeting and recommended the low bid from Towers Fire Apparatus from Freeburg, IL for \$91,511; the 2<sup>nd</sup> bid was from Nichols Fire and Fleet from Evansville for \$116,158.68; the 3<sup>rd</sup> was from Hoosier Fire Equipment of Greenfield, IN for \$92,989. Rick Norris made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Fire Chief, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rich Taylor, all ayes.

Salary Ordinance for 2013: Mayor Harty recommended a .50 per hour raise for full time employees and .25 for part-time employees. No raise for pool employees and no changes in the employee benefits. Rich Taylor made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Mayor, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Fraley, all ayes. CT Jones will prepare the ordinance for the July meeting.

Refinance bonds: The City has been contacted by the Indiana Bond Bank in regards to refinancing bonds. Mayor asked for council approval to start the process. Rich Taylor made a motion to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Fraley, all ayes.

Nepotism law: Attorney Mark Jones introduced a resolution regarding nepotism and conflict of interest. Indiana legislature passed HEA 1005 which requires cities and towns to establish a policy by July 1, 2012. Rich Taylor made a motion to adopt resolution 2012-2, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fred Dupps, all ayes.

Other announcements: The Mayor reminded all in attendance of the Summerfest coming up this weekend.

Public comment/citizen input: Russ Hager addressed the council regarding riding his 4-wheeler in the city. The Mayor told him the council would take his request under advisement and let him know at the next meeting.

Adjournment: Motion made by Rich Taylor to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Fraley, all voted in favor. 6:34pm.

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NOEL D. HARTY, MAYOR

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

NANCY JONES, CLERK-TREASURER