

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

**March 12, 2012**

The Board of Public Works of the City of Loogootee met in regular session on Monday, March 12, 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 February, 2012 meeting were presented for approval. Ron Gilbert made a motion to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fred Dupps, all ayes.

**Unfinished Business:**

Parking along square: Will post signs if necessary but for now has a yellow stripe which indicates no parking. Citations will now be written.

**New Business:**

Police Department Officer Promotion: Chief Rayhill recommended Jason Hennette be moved from the rank of Sargeant to Captain with increase in salary. The increase was put into this year's budget. Fred Dupps made a motion to approve the recommendation, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Gilbert, all ayes.

Adoption of taser policy: The council has not seen a copy of the policy. Chief Rayhill stated the city will be using the one currently used by the county. A copy will be given to the council members. Ron Gilbert then made a motion to approve the policy as recommended by the Chief, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fred Dupps, all ayes.

New volunteer fireman: Brandon Inman and Justin Davis will be volunteer fireman and will only receive clothing and gas allowance two times a year.

Alley closing: residents have requested an alley between SE 2<sup>nd</sup> and SE 3<sup>rd</sup> be closed. No action can be taken until proper paperwork from residents has been obtained. Also there is a sanitary sewer with laterals to properties on both sides that will need to be addressed. This matter will be on agenda for next meeting.

Utility adjustments: adjustments presented for Denson, Hawkins, Neely, Schepers, Smith and Van Meter. 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: Fred Dupps made a motion to adjourn this meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Gilbert, all ayes.

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NOEL D. HARTY, MAYOR

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

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL**

**March 12, 2012**

The Common Council of the City of Loogootee met in regular session on Monday, March 12, 2012 at 6:14pm 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 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 February, 2012 regular meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Fraley, all ayes.

Building Permits: one presented for The Martin County Humane Society for a shelter to be built in the Industrial Park area. Rick Norris made a motion to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Gilbert, all ayes.

Claims: Ron Gilbert 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:**

Bathroom remodel for upstairs at SIDC: Southern Indiana Development is in the process of remodeling the bath rooms on the upper level of the annex. They are asking the city to pay for new flooring. The amount is not available at this time so will be tabled until next meeting. Motion made by Rich Taylor to table, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rick Norris, all ayes.

### **New Business**

Jennifer Wagler was introduced as new Mayoral assistant.

Rate Study: Mayor Harty requested permission to seek quotes for a new rate study for the utility department. One has not been done since 2003. The state board of accounts has recommended this and the Mayor reported this was advised in the new mayor orientation for new administrations. The Mayor will get quotes and bring to April meeting. Ron Gilbert made a motion to seek quotes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rick Norris, all ayes.

Cell phone stipends: CT Jones reported stipends received for cell phone use for city business are no longer considered taxable and there are no reporting requirements. She recommended the amount remain at \$29 per month for 4 police officers, Bo Wilson and the Mayor.

Mowing Bids: Attorney Jones opened two bids, one from Baker's Lawn Service for \$2500 and the other from Yard Sharks for \$2400. All bids were in order. Phil Ader from Yard Sharks was present to answer questions. Several council members asked if the amount of \$2400 was the max that would be charged for the whole season. He stated that was correct. Rick Norris then made a motion to accept the low bid from Yard Sharks.

CCR proposal: Bo Wilson proposed we hire Lynch Consulting again to prepare the consumer confidence reports. This is done annually. Rich Taylor made a motion to accept the proposal, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Fraley, all ayes.

Animal Control Board appointment: Fred Dupps offered to be a member of the board. Ron Gilbert made a motion nominate Fred Dupps for an appointment on the Animal control board, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rich Taylor, all ayes.

Other announcements:

Summerfest: The Mayor announced plans are underway for the 2012 summerfest and a parade will be added this year which will be June 16<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon. Other new events planned will be car show, egg toss, karaoke, flea market and community wide yard sale.

Basketball team: Mayor offered congratulations to the LHS boy basketball team on their success in the tournament so far. Also, he thanked the fire department for escorting the team after sectional and regional wins.

Fill in mayoral assistant: The Mayor thanked Elaine Renoir for filling in as volunteer mayoral assistant after the sudden passing of Linda Ellis.

Public comment/citizen input: The Mayor asked to more volunteers for the summerfest.

Adjournment: Motion made by John Fraley to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Gilbert, all voted in favor. 6:28pm.

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NOEL D. HARTY, MAYOR

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

NANCY JONES, CLERK-TREASURER