

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

**May 14, 2012**

The Board of Public Works of the City of Loogootee met in regular session on Monday, May 14, 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 April, 2012 meeting were presented for approval. Fred Dupps made a motion to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Gilbert, all ayes.

**Unfinished Business:**

**New Business:**

Hudson property: It was noted that there is water standing on the Hudson property on the west end of the City. Midwestern Engineers is looking into this.

Part-time Officer for PD: Chief Rayhill is recommending Keith Keller be hired as a part-time officer. He is a full time deputy for MCSO and has 4 years experience in law enforcement. Ron Gilbert made a motion to accept the recommendation of Chief Rayhill, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fred Dupps, all ayes.

Utility adjustments: adjustments presented for Carrico, Esch, Rahman, Walker, Walters and Wood. 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.

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NOEL D. HARTY, MAYOR

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

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL**

**May 14, 2012**

The Common Council of the City of Loogootee met in regular session on Monday, May 14, 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; Donald Grindstaff, Public Works Superintendent; 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 April, 2012 regular meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rich Taylor, all ayes.

Building Permits: one presented for Bill Wade on Kentucky for a garage. John Fraley made a motion to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Gilbert, 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:**

Handicap parking: 2 handicap parking places will be marked for patrons of The Corner Café. They will be located on Wood Street. Rich Taylor made a motion to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Gilbert, all ayes.

Animal Control Ordinance: Fred Dupps, who is a member of the county board, gave out copies of the newly adopted county ordinance for the council's review. He proposed the members look over the ordinance for the next meeting and to place on the agenda for the June meeting.

Employee health insurance: Rick Norris proposed lowering the percentage paid by the employees for the health insurance premium to 10% from 15%. This was discussed at last month's meeting. Since that meeting the council was given financial information to assist in their decision by CT Jones. Discussion was held. CT Jones noted the low cash revenues currently in the water department may present a problem. Rick Norris made a motion to go ahead with his proposal, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rich Taylor 2<sup>nd</sup>; Fred Dupps and John Fraley voted in favor, Ron Gilbert voted against.

Police equipment deferral funds: CT Jones clarified that the city did receive deferral money and it was put into the general fund. It has since been transferred to the Police Equipment and Training fund.

## New Business

Bids for fire equipment: Attorney Jones opened 3 bids and read aloud. The first bid was 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. The Fire department requested the council take the bids under advisement while they have a chance to look over the bids. Ron Gilbert made a motion to postpone the award of the bid, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rich Taylor, all ayes to give the FD an opportunity to study the bids.

Traffic on Butcher Boulevard: Rich Taylor reported on complaints of cars traveling at excessive speeds on Butcher Blvd and loitering at the high school parking lot. Rita Lents complained about speeding vehicles on Park St. Much discussion followed. Rich Taylor stated he thinks the school campus should be gated after hours. Many suggestions were made but no decision on how to handle the long standing problem. It was noted that there is only one officer on duty at a time and he cannot be everywhere to catch every speeding car.

Grass clippings in the roadways: will table until next meeting, may want to do an ordinance with fees.

### Public comment/citizen input:

The Mayor gave out an email address to report complaints to the building commissioner. It is Loogooteebuildingcommission@hotmail Complaints can also be called into the Mayor's office.

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

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NOEL D. HARTY, MAYOR

Attest:

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NANCY JONES, CLERK-TREASURER