

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

OCTOBER 9, 2012

The Board of Public Works of the City of Loogootee met in regular session on Tuesday, October 9, 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 September, 2012 meeting were presented for approval. Fred Dupps made a motion to approve, 2nd by Ron Gilbert, all ayes.

Unfinished Business:

Animal control ordinance: The animal control ordinance will be reviewed next month.

New Business:

Utility adjustments: adjustments presented for Arvin, Carrico, Davis, H&R Block, Hall, Hembree, Jones, Melton, Smith and Williams. Ron Gilbert made a motion to approve the adjustments as presented, 2nd by Fred Dupps, all ayes.

Citizen Input/comments: none

Adjournment: Ron Gilbert made a motion to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Fred Dupps, all ayes.

NOEL D. HARTY, MAYOR

Attest: _____

NANCY JONES, CLERK-TREASURER

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

OCTOBER 9, 2012

The Common Council of the City of Loogootee met in regular session on Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at 6:09pm 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; Kelly Rayhill, Chief of Police, several firemen, media representatives and several citizens.

Minutes of the previous meeting: Rick Norris made a motion to approve the minutes from the September regular meeting, 2nd by John Fraley, all ayes.

Building Permits: none

Claims: Rick Norris questioned claim paid to Greene's Body Shop for \$1511.25 for repair of the 2007 Crown Victoria driven by the Police Chief. Chief Rayhill stated the claim was for repairs to his vehicle which was damaged at his residence, and his insurance would not pay because the car is a take home vehicle that he drives all the time, so in insurance terms, it would be considered one of his own vehicles. Rick Norris made a motion to pay the claims as submitted, 2nd by John Fraley, all ayes, motion carried.

Transfer of appropriations: CT Jones presented Resolution 2012-5 to transfer \$2,457 in Park and Recreation from new machinery and equipment to lifeguard wages. Rick Norris made a motion to approve the transfer, 2nd by Fred Dupps, all ayes.

Under unfinished business:

2013 Budget: CT Jones presented the proposed 2013 budget for adoption. Rick Norris made a motion to adopt, 2nd by Rich Taylor, all ayes.

Animal Control Ordinance: tabled until November meeting.

Water Conservation Ordinance: The Council members were presented with a copy of the proposed ordinance prior to the meeting for review. A discussion was held. Passage of the ordinance was tabled until the next meeting.

Update on housing rehab grant: The City has been approved for \$11,000 for housing rehab. No work has begun yet.

Sign project: \$11,000 has been raised so far.

Railroad Property: the Mayor expects the closing to be before the next meeting.

New Business

Larry Peek was present and the Mayor asked him to present his concern. He complained about the alley behind his property being blocked by a neighbor. Attorney Jones said it is not a public alley so the City has no jurisdiction therefore it becomes a civil matter between neighbors.

Golf Cart age limit: A citizen has asked about the possibility of lowering the age to drive a golf cart in the city to age 16. Rick Norris spoke for the council on why the age was set at 18. A discussion followed, and the matter was tabled until the next meeting.

Additional hours and pay for Mayor's Administrative assistants: The Mayor asked that the hours for the administrative assistant be increased and additional funds be appropriated. He explained that he has two employees under this position and the reason for this. The hours were increased from 30 per week to 40 per week via a motion by Ron Gilbert, 2nd by Rick Norris, all ayes. This will be done by amending the 2012 Salary Ordinance. It will be retroactive to when Elaine Renoire was hired to do collections. The council approved an additional appropriation for \$3,000 to cover the salary cost with motion by Rick Norris, 2nd by Rich Taylor, all ayes. It will be advertised next week. A public hearing will be held at the November meeting. It was noted that this position is funded from general, water and sewer.

Hiring within City limits: John Fraley recommended the ordinance regarding hiring employees only from within the City limits be reviewed. Ordinance 1994-5 was reviewed. It was unclear if this ordinance has been amended since 1994. It was agreed that further investigation was needed therefore Rich Taylor made a motion to table until the next meeting, 2nd by Ron Gilbert, all ayes.

Random drug testing: The Mayor reported that the need to continue with random drug testing has been discussed at Department head meetings. Will table until November meeting.

Citizen input/comment: none

Phone Stipend for Building Inspector: Mayor Harty asked if the building inspector can begin receiving phone stipend now. The Council agreed and the Salary Ordinance will need to be amended.

Adjournment: Motion made by Rich Taylor to adjourn, 2nd by Ron Gilbert, all voted in favor. 7:05pm.

NOEL D. HARTY, MAYOR

Attest: _____

NANCY JONES, CLERK-TREASURER