

ST. JOHN TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
St. John Municipal Building Main Meeting Room
May 19, 2005

Mr. Fryzel called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with the following members present: Michael Fryzel, President; Jerri Teibel, Vice-President; Gregory Volk, Member; Charles Pearson, Member; Mark Barenie, Member; David Austgen, Attorney; Steve Kil, Town Manager; and Sherry Sury, Clerk-Treasurer. Also in attendance were Fred Frego, Police Chief; Bob Pharazyn, Public Works Director; and Steve Carter, H .J. Umbaugh.

Public Hearings – (Exhibit A)

Ordinance #1385, an ordinance related to Hydrant and Sprinkling System Charges

– Mr. Austgen stated that the Proofs of Publication were in order. Mr. Kil provided a synopsis of this ordinance and stated that it establishes fire protection service (municipal hydrants) and private fire sprinkling systems fees and charges.

Public Comment – None

Mr. Pearson motioned to adopt Ordinance #1385. Seconded by Mr. Barenie. Motion unanimously passed.

Old Business – None

New Business

Renaissance Subdivision – Phase II – Consider Letter of Credit in the amount of \$262,032.22 (favorable recommendation from Plan Commission) – Mr. Pearson motioned to approve the Letter of Credit in the amount of \$262,032.22. Seconded by Ms. Teibel. Motion unanimously passed.

Ordinance #1392, amending Ordinance #1366, master salary ordinance, specifically the position of Code Enforcement Officer – Mr. Pearson motioned to consider Ordinance #1392 on first reading. Seconded by Mr. Barenie. Motion unanimously passed.

Ms. Teibel motioned to adopt Ordinance #1392. Seconded by Mr. Pearson. Motion unanimously passed.

Reports & Correspondence

Town Council – Mr. Volk addressed the issue of a property owner on 93rd Avenue whereas the resident has sold cars in the past, had his driveway paved and continues to sell cars. Discussion ensued. Mr. Austgen was requested to send a letter to this resident advising him of this parking ordinance violation.

Mr. Volk advised that the Plan Commission issued a stop work order for the commercial building next to K-Mart by Bank One. Several violations have been noted and they must come before the Plan Commission.

Mr. Volk also mentioned the “dark sky ordinance” the Town of Dyer has enacted and suggested that they get a copy of this ordinance. Mr. Austgen stated that he has a copy and will forward it to the Town Council for review and discussion.

Clerk-Treasurer – None

Staff – Mr. Kil requested that the council take action on the changes to the position description of Code Enforcement Officer. Mr. Austgen suggested minor changes in the experience and physical requirements. Discussion ensued. **Mr. Pearson motioned to approve the job description for the Code Enforcement Officer with the changes the Town Attorney just mentioned. Seconded by Ms. Teibel. Motion unanimously passed.**

Mr. Kil stated that the Capital Improvement Plan for Public Works indicates the town is in need of a 2.5-ton snowplow / dump truck. He would like authorization to go out for bids. **Ms. Teibel motioned to authorize the advertisement for bids for a snowplow / dump truck. Seconded by Mr. Pearson. Motion unanimously passed.**

Public Comment – None

Adjournment – Mr. Pearson motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ms. Teibel. Motion unanimously passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Attest:

Sherry P. Sury, Clerk-Treasurer