

ST. JOHN TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
ST. JOHN MUNICIPAL BUILDING MAIN MEETING ROOM
10955 W. 93RD AVENUE, ST. JOHN, INDIANA
June 25, 2009 – 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Barenie called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with the following members present: Mark Barenie, President; Michael Forbes, Vice-President; Gregory Volk, Member; Michael Fryzel, Member; David Austgen, Attorney and Sherry Sury, Clerk-Treasurer. Also in attendance were: Fred Frego, Police Chief; Fred Willman, Fire Chief; Chip Sobek, Parks Superintendent and John Mainwaring, Code Enforcement Officer. Absent were: Jerri Teibel, Member; Steve Kil, Town Manager and Bob Pharazyn, Director of Operations.

Reports & Correspondence

Town Council

Mr. Volk stated that last night the BZA had a petitioner who requested a body shop in the Industrial Park at 9604-5 Industrial Drive and was given a favorable recommendation to the Council. There were six contingencies, two of which need approval tonight. One is that the petitioner needs to lease a fenced yard behind the building. Mr. Austgen added that he was given, by Mr. Volk, a copy of an addendum to the lease for the applicant regarding the use that is the subject of the BZA action. The addendum works to identify the condition that is being met by the applicant in all respects except some clarity in the description of the additional area that is going to be leased. Mr. Austgen recommends that the Council act on this favorable contingent on a clarification of the area which is to be leased and appended to the subject property for the parking and various related purposes. Mr. Austgen's suggests there be an area description and some legal description of the area appended to the addendum.

Mr. Volk added that the other contingency area was the same storage area with the cyclone fence that slats be placed in it, which they are going to do, and that verbiage is in this addendum.

Mr. Volk motioned to approve the variance for K & R Custom Collision at 9604-5 Industrial Drive contingent upon petitioner adding a land description in a manner satisfactory to the Town Administrative Staff. Seconded by Mr. Fryzel. Motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0.

Mr. Fryzel stated that the turn around signs for The Gates, discussed at a previous meeting, have not been put up yet. He also asked that next meeting's agenda include discussion regarding the gate behind the high school so that it can be resolved prior to the start of school to give the school ample time to do what they need to do.

Clerk-Treasurer

Ms. Sury stated they received the TAW money today, they received the money for the General Fund and the Debt Service Fund at an interest rate of 1.25; had they gone out to the public banks the lowest they would have paid would be 2.71; by going with the Indiana Bond Bank they saved \$18,500.00. Mr. Austgen added that Ms. Sury and her staff, Mr. Kil and his staff and the Town's Financial Advisor did a terrific job on that; everything went awfully smoothly, they delivered on time, they provided the information needed and it went very, very, very smoothly.

A lot of credit is to be given to them for making things right. Mr. Barenie added it was a great team effort and hopefully it will be their last one for awhile.

Staff

Mr. Sobek reported they had their first concert two weeks ago and over 200 people attended and that the summer program has been going very well.

Chief Willman gave the Fire Department's report for the month of May.

Chief Frego gave the Police Department's report for the month of May. He added that on August 4th they are going to have their Second Annual National Night Out at Prairie West Park from 7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M. They felt last year was a success, would like to add to it this year and asked that the Town Council members try to attend.

Mr. Mainwaring gave his Activity Report for the month of May.

Payment of Bills for the Corporation – APV's #7894 - #8118 in the amount of \$3,732,354.29 – Mr. Fryzel motioned to pay out Accounts Payable Vouchers #7984 - #8118 for a total amount \$3,732,354.29. Seconded by Mr. Forbes. Motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0.

Public Comment – None

Adjournment – Mr. Fryzel motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Forbes. Motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

ATTEST:

/s/ Sherry P. Sury
Clerk-Treasurer