

ST. JOHN TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
St. John Municipal Building Main Meeting Room
10955 W. 93rd Avenue, St. John, IN
September 23, 2010

Mr. Barenie called the meeting to order at 7:19 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; Ken Gembala, Member; David Austgen, Attorney, Steve Kil, Town Manager and Sherry Sury, Clerk-Treasurer. Also in attendance was Fred Frego, Police Chief; Fred Willman, Fire Chief (left at the start of the meeting) and Chip Sobek, Parks Superintendent.

Presentation: St. John Youth Baseball League – July 2011 Tournament – Mr. Al Konieczka representing the League introduced the Board Members Dan Gibson, Bob Davis and Pete Ladowski that were also in attendance. Mr. Konieczka thanked the Town Council for the wonderful fields they have and said over 500 kids participate every year, which represents over 400 families. He stated that they have been asked to host the Ohio Valley Conference in July, 2011, for 9 year olds and that the event will bring 20-22 teams here to St. John. It will be the third week of July in 2011, they wanted to advise the Council of the event and invite them to participate.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the August 12, 2010 Regular Meeting, and Minutes of the August 26, 2010 Regular Meeting - Mr. Fryzel motioned to approve the minutes of both the August 12, 2010 and the August 26, 2010 Regular Meetings. Seconded by Mr. Forbes. Motion unanimously passed.

Public Hearing

Ordinance #1524, an Ordinance establishing the 2011 Municipal Budget

Mr. Austgen confirmed that the Proofs of Publication were in order with timely publication in the **Post Tribune** on September 2nd, 3rd and the 9th and **The Times** on August 25th and September 1st. The requirements of law were met.

Opening Remarks – Ms. Sury stated that this is the same budget as last year because of the freeze. Mr. Barenie added that it is very comparable to last years' and that they will have sometime after the first reading to go over it more to see if there is anything else they can do.

Open to the floor for Public Comment – None

Mr. Forbes motioned to consider Ordinance #1524 on first reading only. Seconded by Mr. Volk. Motion unanimously passed.

New Business

Consider approval of Change Order for the 2010 Town Wide Pavement Patching Program for Reith-Riley in the amount of \$12,106.98 - Mr. Fryzel motioned to approve the change order for \$12,106.98. Seconded by Mr. Forbes. Motion unanimously passed.

Consider Resolution #10-09-23, approval of the St. John/Town – Lake County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan – Mr. Kil stated that they have a plan-in-hand, FEMA approved it and that the resolution is ready to be adopted. **Mr. Fryzel motioned to adopt Resolution #10-09-23. Seconded by Mr. Forbes. Motion unanimously passed.**

Consider Ordinance #1523, amended Building Permit Procedures – Mr. Volk stated that the Plan Commission worked on this, most of this is already being done and they wanted to build an outline. They added the foundation location report, which was not previously required to be turned in to the town from the contractor, and the top foundation, which they hope, will eliminate some of the grading problems they have had in the past. He thinks they need to add the foundation mix receipt from the contractor. Discussion ensued. Mr. Gembala stated that they should have the final surveyors report. Discussion ensued. Mr. Austgen suggested that the Council defer action on this item to the next meeting so Mr. Kil can get the proper language into the document. **Mr. Forbes motioned to defer Ordinance #1523 to the first meeting in October. Seconded by Mr. Fryzel. Motion unanimously passed.**

Consider bid award for the SCBA (self-contained breathing apparatus) units - Mr. Fryzel motioned to award the bid to Hoosier Fire Equipment in the amount of \$151,883.50. **Seconded by Mr. Forbes. Motion unanimously passed.** Mr. Gembala stated that grant money was received to purchase this equipment so they would not have to use town funds.

Discussion of Contractor’s Registration Board and amending same by Ordinance #1525 - **Mr. Forbes motioned to consider Ordinance #1525 on first reading. Seconded by Mr. Fryzel. Motion unanimously passed.**

Mr. Fryzel motioned to adopt Ordinance #1525. Seconded by Mr. Forbes. Motion unanimously passed.

Resolution #10-09-23A, a resolution authorizing a Temporary Transfer and Loan of Funds - **Mr. Fryzel motioned to adopt Resolution #10-09-23A. Seconded by Mr. Forbes. Motion unanimously passed.**

Reports & Correspondence

Town Council – None

Clerk-Treasurer – Ms. Sury asked permission to use the Hack Street location (Public Works Building) for the election in November. **Mr. Forbes motioned to allow the use of the Hack Street building for election purposes. Seconded by Mr. Volk. Motion unanimously passed.**

Staff – Mr. Kil reminded everyone that beginning this Monday the 27th they will be starting their road construction projects that will affect Blaine and White Oak specifically. They will be closing parts of the road at times over the next two weeks. White Oak construction will be from 93rd Avenue to 109th Street; and Blaine will be 93rd Avenue to 101st Street. After those roads are completed, they will start the subdivision patching.

Chief Frego gave the August Activity Report for the Police Department.

Payment of Bills for the Corporation APV's #8553 - #8734 for \$891,384.17 - Mr. Forbes motioned to authorize payment of the bills in the amount of \$891,384.17. **Seconded by Mr. Fryzel. Motion unanimously passed.**

Public Comment

Ms. Janet Brennan, 10161 Delmar – asked if the budget would be on the website. Ms. Sury stated that it is available in the Clerk's office as required by law. Discussion ensued. Mr. Barenie added that they may put summary information on the web as it is a lengthy document.

Chief Willman returned to the meeting and gave the August Activity Report for the Fire Department.

Adjournment – Mr. Fryzel motioned to adjourn the meeting. **Seconded by Mr. Forbes. Motion unanimously passed.** Meeting adjourned at 7:42 P.M.

ATTEST:

/s/ Sherry P. Sury, Clerk-Treasurer