Minutes of Greenville Town Council Meeting May 14, 2007

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President Talbotte Richardson called the regular monthly meeting to order. Councilpersons present were Bob Wright, Patti Hayes, Randal Johnes, and President Talbotte Richardson, along with Clerk Jack Travillian. Also attending the meeting was Town Attorney Rick Fox, Greenville Water Utility Superintendent Gary Getrost, and other concerned citizens.

Chaplain Mark Avery opened meeting with a prayer. Minutes were read and approved. R. Johnes made the motion and B. Wright seconded. (Motion passed 4-0)

Ordinances:

ORDINANCE 2007-T-073 - ORDINANCE CONCERING THE REVIEW AND VOIDANCE OF PAST ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF GREENVILLE, INDIANA - Ordinance voiding Parking Rules, Peddler's License, Female Dogs Running at Large, Weeds on Vacant Lots, and Dance Halls from May 4, 1936 was read. The council voted unanimously to consider the ordinance at this meeting (4-0). First Reading was completed and motion was made by R. Johnes, seconded by B. Wright. Motion passed (4-0). Second reading was completed, motion made by R. Johnes and seconded by P. Hayes. Motion passed (4-0). Third and final reading was completed. Motion was made by B. Wright and seconded by P. Hayes. Motion passed (4-0). The ordinance is in full effect.

Water Business:

Scott Adams from Mainstream Development, Inc. presented the council with plans for a new development in Galena. The development should be ready for occupancy in 2008. Adams was requesting a letter for the Floyd County Planning Council to show the availability of required water utility service. President Richardson noted that the Water Utility is in the business of selling water. The council voted unanimously to allow the connection with the stipulation that the new development pays for a new water main to the location along Highway 150. Superintendent Getrost requested that Attorney Fox send the letter with the required stipulation.

Superintendent Getrost presented the council with charting showing the water purchases from all sources. Edwardsville Water Utility supplied over 80% of last year's supply. Getrost also noted that Edwardsville has raised it rates 9% this month. Getrost suggested that the Water Utility could not absorb this kind of increase and made a recommendation that the council look into raising the retail price for water customers. The council requested that Attorney Fox start the process for a price increase.

Indiana American Water Company presented the council with a bill of sale and a property license agreement to be signed in order to complete the purchase of the pumping station. Attorney Fox instructed President Richardson to sign the agreement as the chief executive.

Attorney Fits contacted the New Albany/Floyd County School Corporation via appraiser D. Bauer about the offer for the town hall based on their appraisals and suggested a counter offer for the property recommended by the council at last meeting. The council must get an additional appraisal for the school to consider the offer.

Builder Ron Jenkins has offered to sell two lots adjacent to the Greenville water tower on Clark Street. The council asked Attorney Fox about proper procedure for making land acquisitions. The first step is to have two appraisals done on the property and the town can pay the medium of the appraisals.

The meeting about ESRI GIS system software, that uses GPS for mapping of waterlines, hydrants, turnoff valves, etc... was held with Superintendent Getrost and Clerk Travillian on May 14. Representatives from FMSM and the firm Jacobi Toombs and Lanz gave a presentation and proposal. The proposal was presented to the council. The council requested a presentation at the next meeting, before signing the contract.

Superintendent Getrost asked the council for an extension for his 10 unused vacation days to be carried over for an additional six months. Council voted unanimously to grant the extension (4-0).

Clerk Travillian followed up with Water Utility Clerk Stone about hiring someone parttime to help out in the office, talking with Palmyra Water Utility. Palmyra was not interested due to possible differences in the regular office procedures. President Richardson suggested that both the clerk's office and the water utility need an assistant and backup. The Council voted 4-0 to have Clerk Travillian hire an assistant to learn both the clerk's office procedure and the water utility clerk's regular duties. The hire will be at the clerk's discretion, but it was suggested to try to hire locally.

Financial:

Review/Approval Checks and Expenditures: Clerk Travillian presented the forms for checks written from the utility and the town.

Old Business:

Councilman Johnes requested that Town Marshal Cambron issue a citation to the resident of the 9500 block of US 150 (D. Perkins) about all the automobiles on his property. The owner must put covers on the collectable cars that are not licensed. Perkins had been given until the May 14 meeting to have the corrections done. The vehicles are not in compliance at this time.

Councilman Johnes also reported on the property in the 9800 block of Highway 150. The owner (John Reisert) has been contacted and he stated that Christani Excavating had been contacted and it would be cleaned up, however he was unable to find the property in question and requested another two weeks to get it finished.

Councilman Johnes will be contacting other town residents about the height of the grass on various yards within town limits.

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New Busines:

Clerk Travillian gave an update about the website for the Town of Greenville. Travillian has contacted a company that will setup a new website for a price of \$250 and the monthly hosting charge of \$10. The council voted unanimously to provide the funds with General Funds from town promotion account.

Committee Report:

Emergency Services:

Councilman Wright advised the council that Floyd County Commissioners have donated a used police patrol car to the Greenville Town Marshal. The funds will come from the Riverboat for marshal's equipment to paint the patrol car.

Greenville Town Marshal Report:

Town Marshal Rocky Cambron presented the Marshal Monthly Report to the council. Marshal Cambron thanked the council for acting so quickly on the new patrol car. He also recognized Councilman Wright for all the extra assistance on the project.

Marshal Cambron is still writing the procedure guidelines for the Greenville Police Department, however it is close to completion and should be ready for the council to review within a couple of months.

Streets and Roads:

President Richardson presented a list of streets and alleys in need of paving. The council approved receiving bids to pave the listed streets and alleys. The bids will be discussed at the next meeting.

Special Services:

Clerk Travillian reported that emergency guidelines for the town officials were approximately 35% complete. Travillian will have a rough draft available at next month's meeting.

No further business coming before the Council the meeting was adjourned.

Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Council