

May 9, 2007  
Newburgh Town Council  
Minutes

The Newburgh Town Council met in Executive Session on Wednesday, May 9, 2007, at 4:30p.m. Those present were Anne Rust Aurand, Eric Ellsperman, Bill Kavanaugh, Alonzo Moore, Shari Sherman, Becky Gentry, Cynthia Burger, and Tom Bodkin. The purpose of the meeting was discussion of personnel issues and contract negotiations and was held in accordance with Indiana Code 5-14-5-6.

CALL TO ORDER

The Wednesday, May 9, 2007, Regular Session was called to order at 5:40p.m. by President Kavanaugh.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Newburgh Town Council.

A moment of silence was observed for Elsie Mae Kuebler Lutz.

ROLL CALL

Those present were Anne Rust Aurand, Eric Ellsperman, Bill Kavanaugh, Alonzo Moore, Shari Sherman, Becky Gentry, Cynthia Burger, and Tom Bodkin.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. April 25, 2007 ~ Executive & Regular Session

MOTION by Ms. Sherman to table.

SECOND by Ms. Aurand.

DISCUSSION: None

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

COMMISSION REPORTS

AIR BOARD ~ Eric Ellsperman

No report.

FIRE ~ Alonzo Moore

Mr. Moore reported that the exhaust system at the fire station is up and running.

Engine 9 (1949 GMC) is now being housed at the town leased property located at the corner of Yorkshire Drive and Hwy 662.

PLAN ~ Anne Rust Aurand

No report.

PARK ~ Eric Ellsperman

Repairs (replacing 29 wall inlet fittings plus concrete work) to the pool have been completed allowing Mr. Bowser to begin filling the deep end in preparation for the 2007 pool season.

Metzger Construction finished paving tennis courts and basketball courts at Newburgh Community Park.

POLICE ~ Bill Kavanaugh

Mr. Kavanaugh reported that extra officers are on duty directing heavy traffic due to the road closure at Hwy. 662.

SEWER ~ Shari Sherman

Dick Lautz, Commonwealth Engineers, stated it appears the inlet sewer along Hwy. 662 may have collapsed causing a sink hole in the road. Blankenberger Bros. was notified and a plan of action was put in place. Repair work will begin on Thursday, May 10, 2007, and will hopefully be completed by Friday, May 11, 2007. Ms. Sherman thanked The Tin Fish for furnishing lunch for the workers today.

MOTION by Ms. Sherman to affirm the emergency instituted on Tuesday, May 8, 2007.

SECOND by Mr. Moore.

DISCUSSION: None

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

MOTION by Ms. Sherman to purchase a replacement pump for Blue Lake Lift Station from Straeffler Pump & Supply in an amount not to exceed \$6,459.00.

SECOND by Mr. Moore.

DISCUSSION: This represents the lowest quote received.

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

MOTION by Ms. Sherman to update the Newburgh Waste Water Treatment Facility specifications to include the oil/water separator specifications.

SECOND by Mr. Moore.

DISCUSSION: This will be in effect upon approval.

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

STREET ~ Alonzo Moore

Mr. Moore stated the crew is preparing for the Wine & Art Fest to be held next weekend in addition to routine mowing and painting.

STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE ~ Anne Rust Aurand

No report.

PERSONNEL ~ Bill Kavanaugh

No report.

## SPECIAL BOARDS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

### ARTS PAVILION ~ Eric Ellsperman

No report.

### HISTORIC PRESERVATION ~ Alonzo Moore

Mr. Hijuelos stated Historic Preservation Week began with the rededication of Boner Bridge on Saturday, May 5, 2007. A reception followed at the Newburgh Town Hall with awards presented to commissioners and participating historic societies. Local "Living Treasures" shared their thoughts at a panel discussion in the afternoon. Mr. Hijuelos noted that the event was a cooperative effort between two (2) counties, six (6) commissioners, four (4) societies, and four (4) cities. All agreed it was an excellent event.

### RIVERTOWN TRAIL ~ Eric Ellsperman

Ms. Burger met recently with several engineers and a principle from American Structurepoint to discuss the trail. Since the meeting, work has moved forward on the preliminary field check and the environmental hearing. Today they reviewed historic bridge no. 264 and assessed the area east of town between the old Lock & Dam and the new Locks & Dam. The project has been divided into three (3) phases:

1. downtown area from the Yorkshire trail head to the old Lock & Dam
2. east of the old Lock & Dam building to the new Locks & Dam
3. Angel Mounds to the Yorkshire property

Additional funding will probably be needed for the Angel Mounds phase of the trail. Plans include moving forward with phase I this fall and phase II in 2008.

### STORM WATER ~ Anne Rust Aurand

The next meeting is scheduled to be held May 21, 2007, at 6:30p.m.

### TOWN HALL ~ Anne Rust Aurand

The next NBC meeting will be held on May 14, 2007, at 4:00p.m. Mr. Wills will bring samples of interior finishes for the building.

Ms. Aurand stated she was hopeful a "hard hat" open house could be held in the summer at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. It has been determined the mural has been removed from the west wall. The project is scheduled to be completed in October.

Ms. Aurand suggested identifying each piece of art work located in the Town Hall. Exterior painting still needs to be completed.

### VETERANS MONUMENT ~ Shari Sherman

Memorial bricks can be purchased through June 30, 2007. The committee has requested that anyone wishing to donate goods/services for the monument submit a letter of interest to the Town Manager. Additional funding will be needed to complete the project.

### CLERK-TREASURER ~ Becky Gentry

Notification was just received that the 2007 budget has been approved by the State, as submitted. A rate of .44 was advertised last fall and has been reduced to .32. According to the Warrick County Auditor's Office, tax bills are anticipated to be mailed within five (5) or six (6) weeks. Taxpayers will have at least fifteen (15) days to submit payment once bills are received.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR ~ Frank Hijuelos

No report.

TOWN ATTORNEY ~ Tom Bodkin

Mr. Bodkin provided a brief overview of the statute dealing with property taxes that was recently passed by the legislature.

- The county council will now be permitted to enact additional income taxes to replace property taxes, specifically COIT or CAGIT, allowing a way to lower property taxes.
- A new governmental unit has been created replacing the property tax control board. The new unit will review budgets and approve capital projects over 7 million dollars. The board will consist of a member from the Warrick County Council; the City of Boonville; the towns of Newburgh, Tennyson, Lynnville, Elberfeld, and Chandler. Two (2) members will be elected (county wide) to serve four (4) year terms. Utility expenditures are exempted from the boards' power. The Newburgh Town Council is responsible for creating a five (5) year capital improvement plan that must also be approved by this newly created board.
- This plan goes into effect by December 2008.

TOWN ENGINEER ~ David Hynes/Dick Lautz

No report.

TOWN ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGER ~ Cynthia Burger

Ms. Burger stated the Warrick County School Corporation is moving forward with the development of the running track and throwing field at Kiwanis Park. Newburgh Junior Baseball installed lights at the Kiwanis Park years ago and those lights now need to be removed.

MOTION by Ms. Sherman to declare the twelve (12) lights and light poles of no value and surplus and to donate them to the Boonville Worship Center.

SECOND by Ms. Aurand.

DISCUSSION: This will assist the Warrick County School Corporation in preparing the area.

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

The Police Department is monitoring the Prince Drive and Clark Street area as requested at the previous meeting.

All Town of Newburgh employees will be attending first-aid training within the next thirty (30) days.

The spring newsletter will be mailed on Thursday, May 11, 2007.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Sunrise/Pemberton Sewer Agreement & Permit...tabled from January 24, 2007  
Continue to table.

2. Detour Route for State & Jennings Repair...tabled from April 25, 2007  
Continue to table.

3. Bellmoore Offsite Sewer Bids...taken under advisement on April 25, 2007  
MOTION by Ms. Sherman to award the bid to BMB, Inc. in the amount of \$205,091.00.  
SECOND by Mr. Moore.  
DISCUSSION: None  
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

4. Quotes for State & Jennings Repair...tabled from April 25, 2007  
Continue to table.

5. Commonwealth Engineer Contract – Sewer Plan Extension Project...tabled from  
April 25, 2007  
MOTION by Ms. Sherman to remove from table.  
SECOND by Mr. Moore.  
DISCUSSION: None  
MOTION carried ayes 4, nays 0, abstentions 1 (Ellsperman).  
MOTION by Ms. Sherman to approve the Commonwealth contract for the sewer plant  
extension project.  
SECOND by Mr. Moore.  
DISCUSSION: Ms. Sherman the board has been pro-active in planning for the  
expansion. The project is scheduled for completion in 2010. She added it was necessary  
to make application for an SRF loan.  
MOTION carried ayes 4, nays 0, abstentions 1 (Ellsperman)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Ordinance 2007-02 ~ Additional Appropriation – Rainy Day Fund  
MOTION by Ms. Sherman for the first reading of Ordinance 2007-02.  
SECOND by Mr. Moore.  
DISCUSSION: None  
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.  
Mr. Bodkin read Ordinance 2007-02.  
MOTION by Ms. Sherman to accept the first reading.  
SECOND by Mr. Moore.  
DISCUSSION: None  
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.  
MOTION by Ms. Sherman for the second reading.  
SECOND by Mr. Moore.

DISCUSSION: None  
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.  
Mr. Bodkin read Ordinance 2007-02.  
MOTION by Ms. Sherman to adopt.  
SECOND by Mr. Moore.  
DISCUSSION: None  
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

2. Ordinance 2007-04 ~ Amending Designated Depositories

MOTION by Ms. Sherman for the first reading of Ordinance 2007-04.  
SECOND by Ms. Aurand.  
DISCUSSION: None  
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.  
Mr. Bodkin read Ordinance 2007-04.  
MOTION by Ms. Sherman to accept the first reading.  
SECOND by Ms. Aurand.  
DISCUSSION: None  
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.  
MOTION by Ms. Sherman for the second reading.  
SECOND by Ms. Aurand.  
DISCUSSION: None  
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.  
Mr. Bodkin read Ordinance 2007-04.  
MOTION by Ms. Sherman to adopt.  
SECOND by Ms. Aurand.  
DISCUSSION: None  
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

3. Quotes for Royal Highland Lift Station Improvement

MOTION by Ms. Sherman to table.  
SECOND by Mr. Moore.  
DISCUSSION: None  
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Lengthy discussion was held regarding the closure of Hwy. 662 and problems that were created with limited access in and out of town (east/west). Ms. Burger stated INDOT representative Brian Malone has been contacted to see if this area could be included in the Safety Grant (Plum, Main, Jennings intersection).

PETITIONS AND COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT

Byron Sherman requested permission for HNI to host the second annual Wine & Art Fest.  
MOTION by Ms. Sherman to hold the Wine & Art Fest on May 18 and 19, 2007.  
SECOND by Mr. Ellsperman.  
DISCUSSION: None

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

MOTION by Ms. Sherman that all claims, including any sewer adjustments, be paid.

SECOND by Mr. Ellsperman.

DISCUSSION: None

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Ms. Sherman to adjourn.

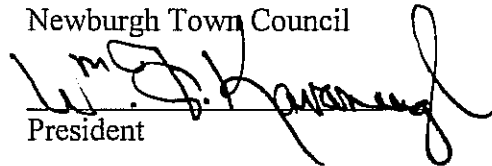
SECOND by Ms. Aurand.

DISCUSSION: None

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

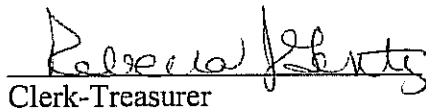
APPROVED this 23 day of May, 2007.

Newburgh Town Council



President

ATTEST:



Clerk-Treasurer