

Newburgh Town Council Minutes
Tuesday, April 21, 2009

The Newburgh Town Council met in Executive Session on Tuesday, April 21, 2009, at 4:30p.m. Those present were Anne Rust Aurand, Eric Ellsperman, Bill Kavanaugh, Alonzo Moore, Shari Sherman, Becky Gentry, and Tom Bodkin. The purpose of the meeting was contract negotiations and was held in accordance with Indiana Code 5-14-1.5-6.

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Session was called to order at 5:30p.m. by President Kavanaugh.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the third grade class at St. John's Catholic School.

A moment of silence was held for the passing of Edward Schwartz, Michael Loewen, and John David Fisher.

ROLL CALL

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Ms. Sherman to approve the April 8, 2009, minutes.

SECOND Mr. Ellsperman.

DISCUSSION: None

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution 2009-02 ~ Walk in Newburgh Day

Mr. Kavanaugh read a letter he'd received from the third grade class at St. John's (please see attached). Mrs. Beverly Schweiss and her third grade class were in attendance at the meeting. Those students included:

Armando Naar	Stephanie Orip
Ethan Hahus	Kate Binkley
Hannan Ubelhor	Kirsten Mehling
Joey Potts	Aaron Voges
Jordan Potts	Riley Hynicutt
Luke Obermeier	Ashley Paul
Andrew Durcholz	Kelsey Clark
Ben Seidl	Cole Niehaus
Matthew Schadier	Zachary Murphy
Serger Hoffmay	Jordan Helel
Alexis Kelle	Brock Maier
Sullivan Cox	

MOTION by Ms. Sherman for the first reading of Resolution 2009-02.

SECOND by Ms. Aurand.

DISCUSSION: None

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

Mr. Bodkin read Resolution 2009-02 (see attached).

MOTION by Ms. Sherman to adopt Resolution 2009-02.

SECOND by Ms. Aurand.

DISCUSSION: None

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

Mr. Kavanaugh called for a two (2) minute recess.

EVERYBODY READY ~ Presentation by Frank Hijuelos

Mr. Hijuelos made a presentation regarding emergency preparedness (see attached).

COMMISSION REPORTS

AIR BOARD ~ Frank Hijuelos

No report.

FIRE ~ Alonzo Moore

No report.

PARK ~ Eric Ellsperman

On Saturday, April 18, 2009, Peter Cashel-Cordo from the Friends of the Fort committee, led about fifteen (15) Cub Scouts from Troop 330 and adults from St. John's in weatherproofing the Fortress of Fun. The group also painted trash cans. The weatherproofing is approximately 80/90% complete and is expected to be finished in the near future.

An ice machine has been purchased and will be installed in the Lock & Dam Building.

PLAN ~ Anne Rust Aurand

No report.

POLICE ~ Bill Kavanaugh

A Police Memorial service will be held at noon on Wednesday, May 13, 2009, at the Newburgh riverfront plaza.

MOTION by Ms. Sherman to declare surplus and of no value a 1994 Ford Aerostar.

SECOND by Mr. Ellsperman.

DISCUSSION: Chief Sprinkle stated a Dodge caravan was recently donated to the Police Department.

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

STREET ~Alonzo Moore

The crew has been repairing potholes throughout town. The Adams Street culvert replacement is expected to be completed this week.

MOTION by Mr. Moore to purchase a SCAG Walk-Behind mower in an amount not to exceed \$5,449.99.

SECOND by Mr. Ellsperman.

DISCUSSION: The mower has a 52" deck and will be purchased out of the general fund. The existing mower is approximately eighteen (18) years old.

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

Mr. Moore also stated the department would need a new dump truck in the near future. It was suggested that Ms. Burger check the state bid for this item.

UTILITY ~ Shari Sherman

Ms. Sherman reported Newburgh could receive \$5,000,000.00 in stimulus money for the sewer expansion/upgrade project.

MOTION by Ms. Sherman to engage Umbaugh to provide a detailed rate review for the Wastewater Treatment Facility.

SECOND by Mr. Ellsperman.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Sherman stated the information the review would provide was needed before moving forward with the project.

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

FINANCE ~ Anne Rust Aurand

No report.

PERSONNEL ~ Bill Kavanaugh

MOTION by Mr. Kavanaugh to hire Paul Whitty as a temporary employee of the Town of Newburgh, as defined by the Town of Newburgh Personnel Policy, to work in building and park maintenance at a pay rate of \$8.00 per hour to begin work the week of May 11, 2009, pending a negative drug screen.

SECOND by Mr. Ellsperman.

DISCUSSION: None

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

MOTION by Mr. Kavanaugh to hire Kyle Krantz as a temporary employee of the Town of Newburgh, as defined by the Town of Newburgh Personnel Policy, to work in building and park maintenance at the pay rate of \$8.00 per hour to begin work on May 27, 2009, pending a negative drug screen..

SECOND by Ms. Sherman.

DISCUSSION: None

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

MOTION by hire William Gaylord as a temporary employee of the Town of Newburgh, as defined by the Town of Newburgh Personnel Policy, to work at the Wastewater Treatment Facility at a pay rate of \$8.00 per hour to begin work the week of May 11, 2009, pending a negative drug screen.

SECOND by Ms. Sherman.

DISCUSSION: None
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

MOTION by Mr. Kavanaugh to hire Logan Warren as a temporary employee of the Town of Newburgh, as defined by the Town of Newburgh Personnel Policy, to work at the Wastewater Treatment Facility at a pay rate of \$8.00 per hour to begin work the week of May 11, 2009, pending a negative drug screen.
SECOND by Ms. Sherman.
DISCUSSION: None
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

MOTION by Mr. Kavanaugh to hire Franklin Bell as a temporary employee of the Town of Newburgh, as defined by the Town of Newburgh Personnel Policy, to work at the Wastewater Treatment Facility at a pay rate of \$8.00 per hour to begin work the week of April 20, 200, pending a negative drug screen.
SECOND by Ms. Sherman.
DISCUSSION: None
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

SPECIAL BOARDS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ~ Anne Rust Aurand
The committee will do a "drive-around" in May to review proposed historic sites.

NEWBURGH BUILDING COPORATION ~ NBC ~ Anne Rust Aurand
The NBC held their annual meeting on April 13, 2009. A state of the projects report was presented. Issues with interior painting and exterior bricks were discussed. Discussion was also held regarding the museum.

RIVERTOWN TRAIL ~ Eric Ellsperman
Steel work is scheduled to begin on the bridge within the next two (2) weeks.

SIDEWALKS ~ Anne Rust Aurand
A meeting is scheduled for April 29, 2009.

STORM WATER ~ Bill Kavanaugh
A detailed presentation was made regarding issues on Sycamore Street at the last meeting.

Easements are still needed for the Maple Lane project. Mr. Hijuelos estimates the project will begin the week of May 4, 2009.

Quotes for Forest Park, Phase I & II are expected to go out sometime after May 5, 2009.

Mr. Hijuelos will prepare a request for quote for the storm water master plan.

CLERK-TREASURER ~ Becky Gentry

No report.

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ~ Frank Hijuelos

Newburgh Senior Center Director Pam Hijuelos recently instituted a Sr. Center Volunteers & Service to the Community program. Flo Neely is now volunteering part time for Mr. Hijuelos.

TOWN ATTORNEY ~ Tom Bodkin

No report.

TOWN ENGINEER ~ David Hynes

Mr. Hynes requested that a list be prepared on roads to be paved this year.

TOWN ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGER ~ Cynthia Burger

No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Bids ~ Wastewater Treatment Plan Expansion...taken under advisement until May 13, 2009

NEW BUSINESS

1. Gil Himebaugh ~ Re: Kiwanis Ribbon Cutting

Mr. Himebaugh invited the Council to attend the ribbon cutting for the new Kiwanis Building. A pancake breakfast will begin at 7a.m. on Saturday, May 9, 2009. The building will be dedicated at 10:15a.m. that morning.

2. Caitlin Poe ~ Re: Use of Preservation Hall

No action taken.

3. Resolution 2009-02 ~ Walk in Newburgh Day

Addressed earlier in the agenda.

4. Resolution 2009-03 ~ Buy American

MOTION by Ms. Sherman for the reading of Resolution 2009-03.

SECOND by Mr. Ellsperman.

DISCUSSION: None

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

Mr. Bodkin read Resolution 2009-03.

MOTION by Ms. Sherman to adopt Resolution 2009-03.

SECOND by Mr. Ellsperman.

DISCUSSION: None

MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

5. Proclamation 2009-03 ~ Bike to Work Week

MOTION by Ms. Sherman for the reading of Proclamation 2009-03.

SECOND by Mr. Ellsperman.
DISCUSSION: None
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.
Mr. Bodkin read Proclamation 2009-03.
MOTION by Ms. Sherman to so proclaim.
SECOND by Mr. Moore.
DISCUSSION: None
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

6. Bid Opening ~ Forest Park Phase I & II
No action.

7. Rivertown Trail ~ Change Order #4
MOTION by Mr. Ellsperman to approve Change Order #4 in the amount of \$1,157.00 payable to Deig Bros.
SECOND by Ms. Sherman.
DISCUSSION: In addition to asphalt, concrete had to be removed at the Yorkshire Trailhead. That work had not been specified.
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Emma Tucker, a participant in the Rotary Group Exchange program, was in attendance at the meeting. She shared a little about her role in government in the United Kingdom.

PETITIONS AND COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT

None

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

MOTION by Ms. Sherman that all claims, including any sewer adjustments, be paid in the following amounts:

Civil Town ~ \$113,596.01

Sewer ~ \$276,859.28

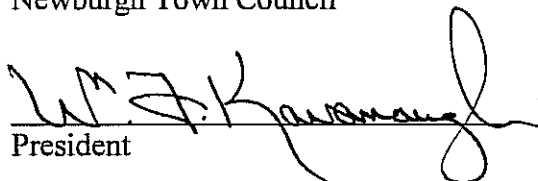
SECOND by Mr. Ellsperman.
DISCUSSION: None
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

ADJOURNMENT

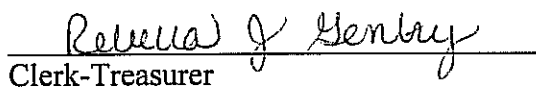
MOTION by Ms. Sherman to adjourn.
SECOND by Mr. Ellsperman.
DISCUSSION: None
MOTION carried ayes 5, nays 0.

APPROVED this 13th day of May, 2009.

Newburgh Town Council


President

ATTEST:


Clerk-Treasurer