#### **COMMON Council**

### October 1, 2012

### 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Randy Strasser opened the meeting and led in giving the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Roll call was taken and the following board members were present: Brian Garrison, Nelson Smith, Dick Traeger and John Bennett. Carolyn Pearson was absent.

Minutes from the meeting held on September 4, 2012 were presented for approval. Brian Garrison made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Dick Traeger. Motion carried. (4-0)

# **OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. 2013 Budget Final Reading. Brian Garrison made the motion to pass the 2013 budget on second and final reading. Second by John Bennett. Motion carried. (4-0)
- B. Parking 2012-6 (Codes). John Bennett made the motion to pass 2012-6 Parking Codes on second and final reading. Second by Nelson Smith. Motion carried. (4-0)
- C. Parking 2012-7. Brian Garrison noted the enforcement time will be 9AM to 5 PM on weekdays and no enforcement on Saturday. John Bennett made the motion to approve 2012-7 on second and final reading. Second by Brian Garrison. Motion carried. (4-0)
- D. Purchase Policy 2012-8. Dick Trager made the motion to approve the purchase policy for the City of Delphi within ordinance 2012-8 on second and final reading. Second by John Bennett. Motion carried. (4-0)
- E. Stellar Update: Approval has been made to move forward with IHCDA. This program will supply funds for homeowners to improve their homes. Construction could begin within 60 days. There will be a ribbon cutting to kick this program off. Fourteen homes are on the first round. The second round of homes available for improvements will be in the spring of 2014.
- F. Airport Grant Update: Negotiations have continued toward land purchases. At this time the federal government is not approving funding for any projects and it is likely that nothing will move forward till after the elections.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. HHH Ribbon Cutting: Julia Leahy, director of Carroll County Chamber of Commerce brought plans and invitations to the ribbon cutting event of the official opening of HHH. Governor Mitch Daniels is expected to cut the ribbon. A caravan with up to 200 vehicles will travel to Lafayette and return to Delphi Methodist Church. Lunch will be catered and the pork will be donated by IPC. Corporate tables can be reserved and the city could sponsor a table. Judy OBannon will be the speaker at the luncheon. It is necessary to register to join the caravan and you can do that through Camden Town Hall. Money that remains after expenses will go to the Town of Camden.

It will be a fun day with a great reason to celebrate. Mayor Strasser complemented Julia Leahy and Pat Casserly, Clerk Treasurer of Camden, for all the work on this project. Mayor Strasser reminded council members, department heads and citizens to mark your calendar and make a reservation.

- B. Halloween Trick or Treat: After discussion concerning activities scheduled by other organizations, it was determined from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM on the 31<sup>st</sup> of October would be set for trick or treating. Brian Garrison made the motion for date and time as discussed. Second by Nelson Smith. Motion carried. (4-0)
- C. Zimpher Construction: Mark Zimpher along with his father, Doug appeared before the council with details of their plans for a subdivision south of Delphi. Discussions of plans have been held with Mayor Strasser, BF&S and highway officials. This will be a multi phase construction with Phase I, off Dayton Road, consisting of senior condos. Phase II, III and maybe IV will consist of single family homes as well as more condos. Constructions will be certified green and certified aging in place construction. There are more details to work on including drainage as well as water/wastewater conditions. These details brought up questions from the council members. John Bennett wanted to know if the drive lines up with entrance to Methodist Church and Mayor Strasser responded that it did not. Brian Garrison wanted to know if all the land had been purchased. Mark Zimpher explained one section had been purchased with options on different sections and that will require a second road. John Bennett questions about water and sewer lines. Mayor Strasser noted some lines are existing close and BF&S is working on this issue. Mayor Strasser explained the biggest concern is "if" and "when" we do this we need to be sure we can continue east and south. Meetings are set up on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October with department heads. Brian Garrison wanted to know if we can sustain with our present well situation. Mayor Strasser assured the council members we can take care of 12 duplex condos. John Bennett questioned demand and price range. Mark Zimpher replied it will be similar to Blackberry Lane with multiple plans offered.
- D. Golf Cart Ordinance. Jeff Kibler approached the council with information and examples of golf cart ordinances. Delphi is the only city in the county without an ordinance. Golf carts are efficient, low maintance, cheap insurance, for licensed drivers only, easy multiple parking and great for senior citizens. Dick Traeger will read the information given by Jeff but feels we need to gather more information and study the issue.
- E. Animal Control: Kevin Kologinsky explained information is still being obtained. Not only do we have the problem with so many stray cats, but these cats and roaming without having shots. Kevin has priced a 12 x 12 barn from Little Fawn with ventilation, room to store crates and trapping cages, holding cages and estimates could be purchased for \$3,000.00. Additional cages and equipment could be purchased for \$700.00
- F. Additional Appropriation for 2012: After discussion Brian Garrison made the motion to advertise for an additional \$207,000.00 and second by Nelson Smith. The additional appropriation will be for \$110,000 for Stellar Fund, \$28,000 for Stellar Planning, \$30,000 for EDIT, \$14,000 for Police Pension and \$25,000 for Dispatch. Motion carried. (4-0)
- G. Utility Improvements: Mayor Strasser requested a special meeting attended by BF&S, Peerless Well and Umbaugh Financial Consultants for discussion on the movement forward of the city's

utilities. The role of the council is financial and establishing time lines. It was decided the meeting would be held on the 17<sup>th</sup> of October at 6:00PM in the council room. This meeting will be advertised so the public can attend.

H. ADA Compliance: There is nothing new to report at this time.

### **DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

Street: Aaron Lyons had distributed a written report of monthly work accomplished. Aaron explained the work on the corner of Washington and Front Street will not happen until next year.

Wastewater: Dick VanSickle gave written reports to council members along with the following information. The plant is running good. The lift station is almost done. Sewer tie in is set for the 21<sup>st</sup> of October.

Water: Dick gave council members a written report prepared by Craig Myers and noted the valve insertion and tie in is scheduled for this Friday the 5<sup>th</sup> of October and Monday. Due to concerns on the time frame, Dick will see if this work can be done on Sunday.

Police: John Chapman was not present for the meeting.

Airport: Brian Stirm was not present for the meeting.

Area Plan: John Bennett reported the zoning ordinance will be looked over at the next meeting. Fire Department: Darrell Sterrett reported the delivery of new air packs. Darrell questioned what the fire department needs to do if called in the area of 700 W. A temporary line with meter has been installed on the hydrant. Mayor Strasser suggested using another hydrant one block away.

Community Development: Kevin Kologinsky reported \$10,530.00 had been awarded to implement signs to encourage Safe Routes usage. The grant working on the levee has been delayed until December. Freedom Bridge is on a hold pattern due to a segment being delayed due to the state. Kevin will be doing tours for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders of the Opera House. It appears we will see trails going in next spring for Safe Route to School

Mayor: Mayor Strasser noted we have had 2 homeowners with dry wells and 2 others complain of problems. One of the dry wells has been satisfied with a temporary line from a fire hydrant and eventually a permanent line will be installed and this will service 8 homes. A water line was put in for the other homeowner with a dry well. Mayor Strasser had worked with Mr. Bash from DNR prior and found wells could not be drilled deeper. Mayor Strasser has continued to work with DNR as well as US AGG.

Brian Garrison made the motion to adjourn. Second by John Bennett. Motion carried. (4-0)

Mayor Randy Strasser

Brian Garrison

Dick Traeger

**Nelson Smith** 

John Bennett