

COMMON COUNCIL  
OCTOBER 4, 2010  
7:00 P.M.

Carolyn Pearson called the meeting to order in the absence of Mayor Randy Strasser and led Council and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members present for the meeting were: Carolyn Pearson, Brian Garrison, Nelson Smith, Dan Sterrett and Hannah Germond. Quorum established.

Nelson Smith made the motion to approve the minutes for the September 13, 2010 meeting. Second by Brian Garrison. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Budget Ordinance 2010-5 was presented to the Council for third and final reading. Nelson Smith made the motion to approve the budget for 2011 in Ordinance 2010-5. Second by Dan Sterrett. Motion carried.

Stoney Drive paving project was tabled at the last meeting. Mayor Strasser urged the Council to act on this matter. The County paved Stoney Drive and Mayor Strasser feels the City should be responsible for our share of the cost. Brian Garrison made the motion to pay the City's share of the paving project and to take the funds from Riverboat Funding. Second by Hannah Germond. Motion carried.

Karyl Traegar appeared before the Council to thank them for their support and help with the Diamond Dash. It was a successful project. It will be an event held again next year.

Main Street Association asked to make adjustments within their approved budget. Council agreed this was not an issue that needs to be addressed.

The claim from Johnson Roofing for the roof replaced on the Stone Barn was discussed. Brian Garrison made the motion to pay Johnson Roofing \$7,500.00 from the general budget for Stone Barn and to take \$17,600.00 to be paid from the Rainy Day Fund. Second by Hannah Germond. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Clerk's Office: The audit by State Board of Accounts has been completed. The audit was better than previous times. Even though we were dealing with the previous years work the time spent balancing books and making corrections paid off. The letter from Indiana Bond Bank and the attorney representing the process was explained. The wastewater department will be receiving approximately \$26,000.00 to be deposited back into their operating account when this process is completed.

Wastewater: Dick reported that lines had been cleaned and televised. Crane at plant and installed motor and gearbox. Carolyn questioned about IPC and meeting held

with engineers. Dick said this was a preliminary meeting and it could be up to 2 to 3 years away.

Street: Aaron submitted a written report with details on curb and sidewalk work, leaf time is here and getting ready for winter work. Nelson asked about the weed eating at Dollar General. Lots of complaints had been received. Aaron reported that his department had taken down the weeds and Dollar General had been billed.

Parks: Anita reported that of Monday the restrooms would be closed at the Park. The dry weather is allowing maintenance work to be completed. The Park Board has voted to repair the shelter located in City Park. They have \$20,000.00 in their budget for the roof on the building but want to take an additional sum of \$30,000.00 from Park NonReverting Fund for the rest of the project. This would include trim work, electrical wiring upgrades, new lighting, new fencing and cement work. Nelson Smith made the motion to approve \$25,000.00 from Park Non Reverting. Second by Hannah Germond. Motion carried.

Police: John Chapman submitted a written report to the Council. Three officers are being sent for schooling through Homeland Security for information on gangs. This schooling will be free. Chief Chapman and officers are staying active in schools. Nelson Smith noted the release of cars driven by students from the back parking lot is an accident waiting to happen. Carolyn presented the problem with parking on the east side of downtown area. Customers need access to these parking spots.


Airport: Brian Stirm a quiet end of the summer. The phone with a hook up to the police is not working and will be addressed. The computer is down for registering sales again. Aviation is in a slump and more companies and laying off workers. The hangers have a waiting list and would like to see more hangers built.


Halloween hours will be Saturday night from 6:00 to 8:30 PM.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

  
Carolyn Pearson, President

  
Brian Garrison

  
Nelson Smith

  
Dan Sterrett

  
Hannah Germond

