

Yorktown Town Council Regular Meeting
Monday, October 20, 2008 @ 5:30 pm

Call to order followed by the pledge of allegiance and roll call:
Larry Crouch, Bob Flanagan, Steve Lowry, Rick Glaub and Mike Beeman were present.

Rick Glaub made a motion to approve meeting minutes. Bob Flanagan seconded the motion. All councilmen voted in favor.

Comments from the Floor:

There were no comments from the floor.

Public Hearing on 2009 Sewer Rate Ordinance: Tim Kelty spoke about the rate increasing to \$31.80 and increasing gradually over the next few years. Mr. Fredrick's from Umbaugh explained the rate increases over 5 years. Steve Lowry asked if there was a comparison with other communities. Mr. Fredrick's explained that Muncie puts some of there rates in taxes and in a bill so we are on track with other communities. Rick Glaub asked if the real estate went back up if we would continue to need the rate increases. Mr. Fredrick's explained that they can always revisit the issue. Jeff Vise, Ridge View Addition, stated that 40 years ago when his parents were connected to the sewer system they were told they were never going to have a rate increase. He also asked why the rate increase only affected a little group of people. Tim Kelty explained that the rate increase is for all sewer customers. Public hearing closed.

Public Hearing for Additional Appropriation Ordinance

Beth Neff, Clerk Treasurer explained that the Town had used some money from Funds for purchases prior to receiving the GO Bond. The additional appropriation is from the money we paid ourselves back. It has to be reappropriated so that it can be spent. Public Hearing closed. Mike Beeman made a motion to approve additional appropriation. Bob Flanagan seconded the motion. All councilmen voted in favor.

Steve Lowry stated that he wanted to address a recent insurance incident. Tim Kelty explained that the payment was received late which cancelled the insurance. He explained that he and the Clerk-Treasurer had spent quite a bit of time working on it. In the process talking to Beth she suggested that we do a manual claim to pay the insurance so this doesn't happen again. Larry Crouch stated that he got involved in it and that he thinks this should definitely be done as a manual claim. Beth Neff explained that we still have insurance.

Old Business:

Consideration of proposal for Audio/Visual improvements to Court: Left on the table. This topic will be discussed at a workshop.

Ordinance # 618 2009 Salary Ordinance: Mike Beeman suggested leaving this topic on the table as well.

Ordinance # 620 Amending Ordinance #439 setting fees for solid waste collection in Yorktown: Tim Kelty explained the trash is \$7.99 and is going up to \$10.50 it will go up to \$12.35 next year. Tim Kelty explained that the Town has been operating in a deficit. Ordinance #620 introduced at last meeting was advertised. Bob Flanagan made a motion to accept Ordinance #620. Larry Crouch seconded the motion. Mike Beeman asked if we have had our own trash collection company would it be cheaper. Larry Crouch asked if it was ok to speak with Muncie to see if we could contract with them. Beth Neff explained that we always operate at a loss so we don't have to pay taxes.

Ordinance# 621 Sewer Rate Ordinance: Tim Kelty recommended adopting Ordinance 622. Larry Crouch made a motion to accept ordinance 622. Bob Flanagan seconded the motion. All councilmen voted in favor.

New Business:

Ordinance #622 Additional Appropriation Ordinance: Mike Beeman made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only and Rick Glaub seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. Tim Kelty read the ordinance by title only 2 more times. Mike Beeman made a motion to accept the ordinance and Bob Flanagan seconded the motion. All councilmen voted in favor of the ordinance.

Resolution #2008-10 Transfer of Funds: Beth Neff, Clerk Treasurer read Resolution 2008-10 Transfer of Funds. She also explained the different funds that needed transfer. Larry Crouch made the motion to accept Transfer 2008-10. Mike Beeman seconded the motion. All councilmen voted in favor.

Consideration of naming RMD Patti as Yorktown insurance agent of record for Health Insurance. Tim Kelty explained that he met with this insurance company a month ago about our insurance. Tim Kelty stated that the offer to provide insurance doesn't affect the employees' insurance. Larry Crouch made a motion to table until further investigation. Mr. Crouch stated that he talked to the current agent and was not aware of any of the possible change. Mr. Crouch also stated that he heard that the reason for changing agents was so that the council could have health insurance. He stated that he felt that as a public servant on the council they should not get insurance. Larry Crouch made the motion to table. Mike Beeman seconded the motion. All councilmen voted in favor.

Change Order #3 Mid-State's contract for field operations complex +\$3600.00 Release of retainage: Tim Kelty explained Change Order 3. Tim Kelty explained that he and Pete had asked Mid State's to do additional work outside the original contract. Bob Flanagan made a motion to accept change order #3. Larry Crouch seconded the motion. All councilmen voted in favor.

Consideration of proposal to hire contractor to dredge sandbars along Buck Creek. Tim Kelty explained the sediment in the creek. Pete Olson said that IDEM normally requires a permit to drudge the creek, but because of the flooding they are waiving the permits. Steve Lowry asked if we could do the White River as well. Pete Olson stated that we can ask for two quotes from Roger Carver and Davis & Davis. Davis was \$4800 to remove and haul away. Steve Lowry suggested having the river done not to exceed \$5000. Mike Beeman made a motion to accept bid and to re-bid for White River and to not exceed \$5000. Larry Crouch seconded the motion. All councilmen voted favor.

Change Order #1 for Yorktown Sports Park-deduct of \$9,516.57: Rick Glaub made the motion to accept the change order. Bob Flanagan seconded the motion. All councilmen voted in favor.

Authorization to Hire New Police Officer: Todd St. John explained that he had an officer resign this week and would like to recommend Ryan Jaromin to replace Brice Keller. All councilmen agreed to hire Ryan Jaromin. Todd stated that Ryan would start 11/6/08.

Water/Wastewater/Storm Water

Purchase of 304 Radio Read Meters

Pete Olson explained that they had a quote from Hersey Meters to purchase 304 radio read meters. This purchase leaves us with 400 to replace. The purchase for the 304 meters is \$40,000. Pete Olson explained that all the meters that have been converted are working well. Bob Flanagan made a motion to accept. Larry Crouch seconded the motion. All councilmen voted in favor.

Departmental Reports

Field Operations Manager: Water, Sewer, Street, Park

Pete Olson stated that they started paving the Cammack today and on Tuesday they will be doing Westbrook it should be done at the end of the week.

Police, Building/Zoning, other

Police Firing Range Tim Kelty explained that Marshal St. John asked for a firing range located at the old Street barn location. Steve Lowry stated that we would discuss this at the next meeting.

Tim Kelty suggested that the Town adopt Trick or Treat hours from 6-8 on Halloween. All councilmen voted in favor.

Tim Kelty also explained that he may have the council have an emergency council meeting for INDOT agreement for the St. Rd. 32 project.

Sewer Treatment exploring ultraviolet treatment to replace chlorine in disinfection at final stage. Tim Kelty explained that the ultraviolet treatment will save the town money.

Comments from Town Council Members

Larry Crouch said that he had compliments on Gary Clevenger's Street Sweeping.

Bob Flanagan said that he was happy to see some new faces at the meeting.

Rick Glaub wanted to thank the local officials and Brevini.

Steve Lowry asked Tim Kelty to work with Todd St. John and Fire Chief on the call numbers.

Next Regular Meeting-November 17, 2008 at 5:30 P.M.

Adjournment

Town Council President

Clerk-Treasurer