

April 1, 2008

Roanoke Town Council Minutes

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the Roanoke Town Council convened on Tuesday, April 1, 2008 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall in accordance with this Council's rules and applicable laws. Those present from the Council were President John Stoeckley, Councilman Troy Karshner and Councilman Brian Young. Vice President Michelle Schwieterman and Councilman Nick Altman were not present. Also present were Town Superintendent Paul Swain, Asst. Town Superintendent John Hitzemann, Deputy Marshal Jim Wood, Fire Chief Chad Taylor and JoAnne Kirchner, Clerk/Treasurer.

Councilman Karshner moved to approve the minutes of the regular Council meeting of March 18, 2008 as written. Councilman Young seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

The Council approved by consensus four property improvements as follows: 1) Mr. Dan Moeller, 592 Commercial St., pitch of garage and roof modification and move wall 2', 2) Mr. Dick Smart, 745 Seminary St., room addition 3) Mr. & Mrs. Rick Nine, 131 Glen Dee Lane, roof over existing patio, 4) St. Joseph Catholic Church, 6th St. Parking Lot, new shed placement.

Mr. Kent Halloran from DLZ was present to present cost estimates and bid documents to the Council for the Eighth Street Project. After review, Councilman Young moved to go forward with the bid document advertising as written. Councilman Karshner seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

Chief Chad Taylor gave the fire report stating that all the trucks with airbrakes had been through a DOT inspection. There was also discussion regarding establishing a line item for the 2009 budget for pagers maintenance.

Deputy Marshal Jim Wood gave the police report stating the department was stepping up traffic patrol, especially on Coe Street and surrounding areas during school breaks. A copy of the police report statistics for March may be obtained from the Clerk/Treasurer's office during normal business hours.

Superintendent Swain gave the utility report stating the department was continuing to install new MXU's and cold-patching. He stated the annual well and pump inspections on wells 5 & 6 were good. Well #4 pumping capacity was down 16% from last year.

Paul then stated that the water tower was due for its first painting at the 10 year age mark this year. The painting was done as part of the agreed maintenance contract and would cost the Town nothing other than continuing with the \$4,900 per year expenditure.

Paul reported that he had forwarded completed annexations to the Town since the year 2000 to the Office of Census Data as requested by the Indiana Legislative Services Agency.

President Stoeckley requested a Special Council Meeting at 6:00 P.M. before the next regular meeting on April 15th to discuss future street projects and the two rate studies recently completed by Greg Guerrettaz. JoAnne would appropriately advertise.

The Council next considered several employee handbook amendments requested by department heads. Each item was evaluated and voted on or agreed to by consensus or not. JoAnne would make the changes for the Council to review in total before becoming permanent record.

President Stoeckley asked that the Council make an intense effort to find a replacement for Judy Maley on the Roanoke Board of Zoning Appeals. Councilman Young also moved to have Attorney Hartburg draft a resolution to increase the extraterritorial jurisdiction area to a two mile radius working with Nate Schadt at the Huntington County Plan Commission. Councilman Karshner seconded and the motion was approved unanimously. There had been some question in the past if the two mile radius was appropriate and that would be at the discretion of the Town attorney or interpretation of IC.

The Council agreed by consensus to a request to close off Main Street between First and Second Streets on May 17th between 8:00 A.M. and

4:00 P.M. for the Annual Springtime in the Village Garage Sale Events.

John reminded the Council that the Town was hosting their annual WHARMM meeting on Monday April 21st at 6:30 P.M. with Matt Greller, Director of IACT as the guest speaker.

Last on the agenda was the presentation of bills for payment. After review, Councilman Young moved to pay the bills as listed on the allowance of claims payable vouchers for \$67,537.67. Councilman Karshner seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

Councilman Young then moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Karshner seconded and the motion was duly adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

JoAnne Kirchner, Clerk/Treasurer