

Minutes January 30, 2008

Board of Public Works and Safety

The Board of Public Works and Safety met for a regular meeting, Wednesday, January 30, 2008, at 5:00 p.m., in the City Chambers, 3rd floor, City Building, Logansport, Indiana.

Silent **Roll Call** was taken by Clerk Treasurer Bland. Those present were Mayor Michael Fincher, Deputy Mayor Klinck, and Joe Casalini. Others present: Fire Chief McMinn, Code Enforcement Officer Hileman, and Building Commissioner Hostetler. Deputy City Attorney Lisa Traylor-Wolff was not present.

Public: Michael Berkshire, Greg Beumer, and Stan Williams, Planning Director.

Media: Carla Knapp, Pharos Tribune.

Minutes from January 23, 2008 accepted as presented on a vote of 3-0.

Claims of \$169,211.21; approved as presented.

An electrician's license was approved for Mike Elliott of Logansport.

Addition to Agenda: #4) Retirement of Terry Dixon from Police Department.

Old Business: -0-

New Business:

Code Enforcer Officer Hileman delivered her weekly report. The following address (es) is recommended for the Logansport Street Department for cleanup at a rate of \$250.00 per hour plus a \$50.00 Administration and \$50.00 fine: Jeff Murray for property located at 417-419 13th Street and Melvin Cale, 1327 North Street. Mayor Fincher said he received a call from Jeff Murray in which Mr. Murray said he would have the property cleaned by Friday, February 1, 2008. The Board of Public Works and Safety moved to approve the recommendation(s) of Ms. Hileman with the understanding that Mr. Murray would not be charged for cleanup if he accomplished the cleanup by February 1, 2008. Motion passed on a vote of 3-0.

Building Commissioner Hostetler delivered his weekly report. His department has collected \$270.00 in various fees during the past week. Mr. Hostetler provided updated reports on property located at 1327 Michigan Ave, owned by Ralph Koppe and property located at 513 Dizardie Street, owned by Toni Downhour. Mr. Hostetler is to provide an updated report on these properties May 28, 2008; to gauge the progress of action reports submitted. Property owner Frank Lewellen, 219 Grove Street; will be taken through a step by step progress of repairing his property. Mr. Hostetler is to provide an updated report on March 5, 2008. Mr. Wiliabodo Baez, property owner of 106 9th Street was present with an interpreter. It was determined that Mr. Hostetler will be given an action plan and will monitor the progress. He will give an updated report at the June 4, 2008 Board of Public Works and Safety meeting. Property located at 1101 Spear Street, owned by Joe Dunn; will be advertised for demolition. Mr. Hostetler will do the proper notification. The recommendation(s) and entire report is accepted on a vote of 3-0.

Fire Chief McMinn requested a promotion for Rob Grisez from ladderman to training officer to take effect February 2, 2008. Motion passed 3-0. Fire Chief McMinn requested the hiring of Matt Harris as a probationary ladderman, for one year, assigned to C trick; effective February 2, 2008. Motion passed 2-1. Mayor Fincher and Joe Casalini voted yes, Deputy Mayor Klinck voted no. Fire Chief McMinn requested the hiring of Scott Jones as a probationary ladderman, for one year, assigned to B trick; effective February 2, 2008. Motion passed 2-1. Mayor Fincher and Joe Casalini voted yes, Deputy Mayor Klinck voted no.

Terry L. Dixon, Police Department, submitted his retirement request after 24-1/2 years on the force. The resignation will be effective on April 11, 2008. On approving the request Mayor Fincher thanked Mr. Dixon for his years of excellent service to the community. Motion passed 3-0.

The Mayor's Cup Award -0-

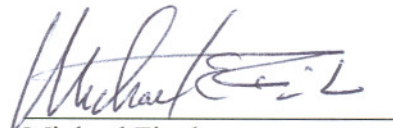
Board Member Comments:

Deputy Mayor Klinck presented to the Board of Public Works and Safety Greg Beumer, Executive Director of Randolph Economic Development Corporation, Modoc, In. Mr. Beumer reviewed his resume and offered his assistance in applying for grants in the future. He stated that there are numerous Federal Grants that he feels would benefit our community.

Adjournment: 5:30 p.m.



Ruth Ellen Bland, IAMC/CMC
Clerk Treasurer



Michael Fincher
Mayor of Logansport