

**HEBRON TOWN COUNCIL
HEBRON UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF JANUARY 20, 2009**

The Hebron Town Council and Hebron Utility Regulatory Commission Meeting of January 20, 2009 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Donald Ensign. In attendance was Councilmen Peter Breuckman, Jeff Grogan and Donald Ensign; Councilwoman Joyce Kaczmariski (arrived at 7:15 p.m.); Clerk-Treasurer Terri Waywood; Town Marshall Steve Sibbrell; Public Works Representative Larry Melvin and Attorney Theodore A. Fitzgerald. President Ensign noted that Recording Secretary Joanne Garrett-Hansen and Councilwoman Kelly Teel were not in attendance.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, on motion of Councilman Breuckman, seconded by Councilman Grogan and duly carried 3-0, the minutes of November 18, 2008 and December 16, 2008 were approved as presented.

Docket - President Ensign read the docket totals for January 20, 2009: Total Disbursed \$1,385,207.12; Transfers \$663,837.81 and Net Disbursed \$712,369.31. Following a discussion regarding the payment for the stripping of the squad cars and the recent purchase of GPS systems by the Police Department, on motion of Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilman Breuckman and duly carried 3-0, the Council approved the docket as presented. Councilman Grogan reminded Chief Sibbrell to keep spending to at minium.

Introduction of Reserve Officers - Chief Sibbrell introduced former Hebron Officer William Jump. Mr. Sibbrell noted that Officer Jump came back to the Department to take the position of Captain of the Reserve Department. Officer Jump then introduced the newest reserve officers; Matthew Hadden, Joseph Blackford, Frank McDaniel, Justin Remschneider, Christopher Davis and Thomas Blythe.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report - Clerk-Treasurer Waywood reported that in 2008 the Town had earned \$13,785.26 from the investment of the CDs. She further indicated that she had attempted to get rates for the \$350,000.00/\$400,000.00 that she wants to invest this year and the highest rate for a 30-day CD is .25%. She stated that the rate for a 90-day CD was not any better.

Mrs. Waywood asked for permission to pay Vaugh Pump for the submergible pump in the amount of \$19,860.00, of which \$9,971.56 would come from the bond and \$9,888.44 will come from the River Boat fund. She noted that the River Boat funds were encumbered from last year. On motion of Councilman Breuckman, seconded by Councilman Grogan and duly carried 3-0, the Council approved the payment to Vaugh Pump in the amount of \$19,860.00.

Mrs. Waywood asked for approval to change the Town's agent of record for the health insurance to Anton Insurance Agency. She noted the current agent is Physician's Mutual and that she has not found the agent very helpful in the past year. She further noted that the health insurance is currently Starmark and that she has no plans on changing this and that the agent of record is only the agency that works as a liaison between the Town and the insurance company. On motion of

Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilman Breuckman and duly carried 3-0, this request was approved.

Mrs. Waywood further requested approval to transfer \$35,000.00 from waste water surplus to waste water operating in order to make a payment for the Vac Truck and payroll. On motion of Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilman Breuckman and duly carried 3-0, the transfer was approved.

Discussion ensued regarding grants for 2010 appropriations. President Ensign said that the following items should be included in this: Upgrades for sewer plant that were not finished and the project on the North end of Town with the sewer line.

Utility Adjustments - None

Old Business

Municipal Code Book - Attorney Fitzgerald explained that the most important element is the zone map and once the map is complete the Town can begin to look at the Code Book. He further noted that the zone map is the zoning ordinance and it is very important. He recommended that a workshop be scheduled for all of the Board, BZA, HCR, Plan Commission and the Town Council, to review the zone map. Mr. Fitzgerald volunteered to coordinate a workshop date.

NPES - Engineer Lee Nagai reported on a project started a year ago. Discussion ensued. President Ensign asked that Mr. Nagai resubmit his letter explaining the project and the cost.

New Business

Resolution 2009-01-20 - Transfer of Appropriations - On motion of Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilman Breuckman and duly carried 4-0, Resolution 2009-01-20 was passed and adopted.

Out of Town Function Request - Conference for Code Inspectors - **Building Inspector George Harness** request to attend the Conference for Code Inspectors and Public Works Director's **Steve Martin and Larry Worley's** request to attend the AWAW Annual Meeting in Indianapolis was approved on motion of Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilman Breuckman and duly carried 4-0.

FTC "Red Flag Rule" - Clerk-Treasurer Waywood explained that this is required and it will protect the Town from identity theft. On motion of Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilwoman Kaczmariski and duly carried 4-0, this was approved.

NITCO's Donation to Police Department - President Ensign explained that NITCO donated \$1500.00 to the Police Department for the new stripping on the police cars. On motion of Councilwoman Kaczmariski, seconded by Councilman Breuckman and duly carried 4-0, the Council accepted the donation. President Ensign thanked NITCO for supporting the Police Department.

VanDerNood Properties - On motion of Councilman Breuckman, seconded by Councilpersons Grogan and Kaczmariski and duly carried 4-0, the Council approved the payment of \$320.00 to Chicago Title for the title work.

State Board of Accounts Audit - Mrs. Waywood noted that the Town had a very clean audit and this report is available to the Clerk's office for review.

Town Plowing - Discussion ensued regarding the excessive man-hours and overtime worked by the Street Department during the recent snows. It was suggested too out source the plowing to some local individuals in order to help with this problem. Attorney Fitzgerald stated that this would have to be added to next year's budget. Steve Sibbrell offered to have his department help with the plowing. Mrs. Waywood will check with the insurance company to see if the Police Department could drive the plows.

HRC - President Ensign noted that the HRC did not encumber their 2008 funds and that they are in need of additional funds of \$22,000.00 to \$23,000.00 for the purchase of gateway signs. Shawn Ensign, President of the HRC, gave a brief update of the HRC's proposed signage. President Ensign noted that this matter will be reviewed in the Spring.

Department Reports

Parks - Mike Spicer reported the Easter Egg Hunt will be April 4th at 9:00 in Cohen Park.

Mr. Spicer reported that the Friend of the Parks Award went to Harry Hruska, owner of the Precision Turbo. Mr. Spicer noted that Mr. Hruska donates a lot of funds to the Park Board. Mr. Spicer reported that a window was broken at the Stage Coach Inn and the cost will be \$105.00.

Police Department

Calls - During the month of December, the Department handled the following: 28 citations, 96 warnings, 103 citizens requested assists, 33 suspicious persons and 52 assists other jurisdictions for a total of 414 calls for the month.

Mr. Sibbrell announced that he was asked by the FBI to join their task force. He has accepted the position.

Chief Sibbrell reported that the strips are being added to the police cars. He stated that he and Officer Polick are adding strips themselves, which is constitutes a savings of \$166.00 per car.

Mr. Sibbrell reported that the Fire Department and the Police Department are meeting monthly. He noted that the Fire Department is a great asset to the Town.

President Ensign noted that the Police Department and the Street Department received a favorable comment in the Quickly column of the Post Tribune.

Fire Department - The Fire Department praised the Police Department for their assistance.

It was noted that the Department answered 390 calls in 2008.

Warming Shelter was discussed. Chief Sibbrell asked if the Community Center could be used as a warming shelter. It was noted that the Fire Department has cots and blankets at the station, but the generator was not working. Mr. Ensign asked that quotes be obtained for a generator for the Community Center. Councilman Grogan stated that the school needs to be involved in this discussion.

Public Works - No Report

Councilman Grogan commended the Street Department for their work during the recent snow removal.

The Council asked Mrs. Waywood to note on the water bills the ordinance regarding street parking during a snow fall of 2 inches and to run an ad in the Advertiser.

HRC - Shawn Ensign reported that the Website meeting set for Saturday, January 24th, is open to the public. The meeting is scheduled for 9:00 to 11:00.

Winter Feast will be sometime in February.

Ice Rink was discussed. It is being worked on.

Main Street Project - President Ensign informed the Community of the problems with the overhead wreaths. He noted that they were removed and will be reconfigured for next year. He said he wasn't sure if we will be giving a rebate or if the bill for next year can be reduced.

Attorney Fitzgerald reported that Hawk Electric is pulling wire.

There being no further business before the Council, on motion of Councilman Breuckman, seconded by Councilman Grogan and duly carried 4-0, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Waywood, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved:

Donald Ensign, President