

**HEBRON TOWN COUNCIL
HEBRON UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 17, 2009**

The Hebron Town Council and Hebron Utility Regulatory Commission Meeting of February 17, 2009 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Donald Ensign. In attendance was Councilmen Jeff Grogan and Donald Ensign; Councilwoman Joyce Kaczmarski; Clerk-Treasurer Terri Waywood; Town Marshall Steve Sibbrell; Attorney Brian E. Less and Recording Secretary Joanne Garrett-Hansen. President Ensign noted that Councilman Pete Breuckman, Councilwoman Kelly Teel and Public Works Director Steve Martin were not in attendance. He further noted that Steve Martin was attending a seminar.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, on motion of Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilwoman Kaczmarski and duly carried 3-0, the minutes of February 16, 2009 were approved as presented. Following the recommendation of Recording Secretary Garrett-Hansen, on motion of Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilwoman Kaczmarski and duly carried 3-0, the minutes of the January 20, 2009 meeting were tabled in order to allow the Council additional time to review them.

Docket - President Ensign read the docket totals for February 17, 2009: Total Disbursed \$453,438.65; Transfers \$282,468.36 and Net Disbursed \$170,970.29. On motion of Councilwoman Kaczmarski, seconded by Councilman Grogan and duly carried 3-0, the Council approved the docket as presented.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report - Clerk-Treasurer Waywood reported that the Town did receive a small portion of the tax money, \$50,000.00 of which \$48,595.41 into the General Fund and \$2,282.78 in CEDIT. She stated that she is hoping to receive all of the tax draws by March.

Mrs. Waywood asked for permission to transfer \$5,000.00 from Waste Water Surplus to Waste Water Operating to meet payroll. On motion of councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilwoman Kaczmarski and duly carried 3-0, this transfer was approved.

Mrs. Waywood noted that Officer McKemy was in attendance and she thanked him for bringing to her attention an offer from AT&T regarding long distance call. She reported that during the month, the Town paid only \$245.05 on long distance call. This will result in an approximate savings of \$3,000.00 this year. She thanked Officer McKemy for his assistance.

Mrs. Waywood reported that the antique street lights are working on the South end of Town and they are currently working on the remaining lights.

Investing of funds - Mrs. Waywood announced that she was able to get an interest rate of 1% for 90 days and she requested permission to invest funds of \$300,000.00/\$350,000.00 for 90 days. On motion of Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilwoman Kaczmarski and duly carried 3-0, this request was approved.

Parks Presentation - Park Board President Mike Spicer presented the Friend of the Park Award to _____ of Precision Turbo. Mr. _____ accepted the award on behalf of his employees.

Utility Adjustments - Mr. Stevenson requested an adjustment to the sewer portion of his bill noting that a pipe broke while this family was out of Town. On motion of Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilwoman Kaczmariski and duly carried 3-0, the Council approved a reduction to the sewer charge by averaging the past 12 months of usage.

New Business

Nagai Proposal - President Ensign stated that Lee Nagai was identifying sanitary sewer lines and the proposal currently up for approval was for the additional two phases. Mr. Ensign recommended that this matter be tabled until a later date so that the Council could review the Town's financial situation. On motion of Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilwoman Kaczmarkski and duly carried 3-0, this matter was tabled.

Ordinance No. 2009-02-17 - An Ordinance for Collection of Unpaid Utility Bills - President Ensign read the Ordinance. On motion of Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilwoman Kaczmariski and duly carried 3-0, Ordinance No. 2009-02-17 was passed and adopted.

Ordinance No. 2009-02-17A - Ordinance Establishing the Bureau of Justice Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Fund 2008 - President Ensign read this Ordinance. On motion of Councilwoman Kaczmariski, seconded by Councilman Grogan and duly carried 3-0, Ordinance No. 2009-02-17A was passed and adopted.

Ordinance No. 2009-02-17B - Ordinance Establishing the Porter County Economic Development Alliance Grant Fund 2009 -President Ensign read this Ordinance. On motion of Councilwoman Kaczmariski, seconded by Councilman Grogan and duly carried 3-0, Ordinance No. 2009-02-17B was passed and adopted.

Resolution No. 2009-02-17 - Transfer of Appropriations - President Ensign read this Resolution. On motion of Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilwoman Kaczmariski and duly carried 3-0, Resolution No. 2009-12-17 was passed and adopted.

Resolution No. 2009-02-17A - Resolution Authorizing the Change of Maximum Credit Limit on Town's Credit Card - President Ensign read this Resolution. On motion of Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilwoman Kaczmariski and duly carried 3-0, Resolution No. 2009-02-17A was passed and adopted.

Resolution No. 2009-02-17B - Resolution Concerning Expenditures - President

Ensign read this Resolution. On motion of Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilwoman Kaczmariski and duly carried 3-0, Resolution No. 2009-02-17B was passed and adopted.

Charge Off of Water Bills - Discussion ensued. On motion of Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilwoman Kaczmariski and duly carried 3-0, the Council approved the request submitted by the Clerk-Treasurer to charge off uncollectible/unpaid water bills from September 16, 2003 to December 31, 2008.

Colvin House - Attorney Less reported that the Colvin house was red tagged today and that this matter will be addressed at the next Plan Commission meeting.

Department Reports

Parks - Mike Spicer reported the Easter Egg Hunt will be April 4th at 9:00 in Cohen Park. He further noted that 5,000 eggs were purchased.

Mr. Spicer reported that the ice rink is in need of a new line. The clay liner currently being used is not holding water and the Board is looking into the purchase of 40 mil liner.

Police Department

Hires - Chief Sibbrell asked for permission to hire a part-time dispatcher, Jeanie Williams and a part-time officer, Bill Jump effective February 18, 2009. He requested that Officer Jump move to full time status on March 1st. He further noted that these recommendations were pending their passing of the required physical and drug tests. On motion of Councilwoman Kaczmariski, seconded by Councilman Grogan and duly carried 3-0, this request was approved.

Chief Sibbrell announced that the Department won an IECAP accreditation grant of \$4500.00. He further noted that this should help lower the cost of liability insurance.

Chief Sibbrell suggested that the Town require potential new office to pay for their drug and physical test and after one year of employment, the Town reimburse them for this expense. President Ensign asked Attorney Less to prepare an Ordinance for next month's meeting.

Chief Sibbrell announced that the Officer of the Year Award was given to Paul McKamy.

Chief Sibbell informed the Council that Harry Cockrail will be wearing Hebron's colors in a charity event, Super Cop Boxing Match, on April 4th.

Video Camera - Chief Sibbell stated that the Department is looking into video cameras that attached to the review mirror and are turned on when the emergency lights are activated. The Department will require eight cameras at a cost of \$41,940.00. Discussion ensued.

Chief Sibbell thanked the Fire Department for their assistance in the 16 car crashes.

Fire Department - No report

Public Works - No Report

Councilman Grogan reported that the Salt Doom is up.

H.R.C. - No report.

Winter Feast is February 28, 2009 at either the ice rink or the Community Center depending on the weather.

Road Block - Christmas in April asked for permission to hold a road block at the intersection of Sigler and Main or Sigler and Washington depending on construction. On motion of Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilwoman Kaczmariski and duly carried 3-0, this request was approved.

There being no further business before the Council, on motion of Councilman Grogan, seconded by Councilwoman Kaczmariski and duly carried 3-0, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Waywood, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved:

Donald Ensign, President