

Town of Roann

Board Minutes

The regular monthly meeting was called to order on September 14, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall by President Steve Johnson. Daniel Yocum, Brady Brower, Janet Lyons, Bruce Shaw, Sonia Poe and Dave Magley were present. Also present Robert Murphy from RP Murphy & Assoc., 4 residents and a reporter from the Manchester Monitor.

Minutes from the August meeting were read and approved.

Claims for September were approved, except the Gaunt & Son Asphalt and Fleck's Trenching for seven storm drains.

Old Business

Capital Improvement Plan- Mr Murphy found on September 2 that the SRF still had no paperwork from Gove. SRF should be able to write commitment letter by October 3. Mr Murphy delivered our grant application to Indy on September 3. He was informed days prior that there was a "finding" by the Dept of Commerce on our last grant draw down. The Clerk-Treasurer was to write the check to Gove within 3 business days and failed to do so. Since it was in interest bearing account, the Town was required to repay the US Treasury the amount of interest earned on the money. A check for \$2.50 was given to Mr Murphy, made out to the US Treasury. Mr Murphy feels his office is partially responsible, due to the oversight of letting the new Clerk-Treasurer know of the 3 day rule. A letter was written to the Indiana Department of Commerce to explain the error, and the steps taken to insure it does not happen again. Mr. Murphy also stated the funds may not be deposited into an interest bearing account at any time. We will have to do something different the next time we receive grant money. He will assist in this matter at that time. A copy of the letter is attached to the minutes.

Annexation: Dave has not received any notification of remonstrance. The ordinance must be filed in many places, then will be in effect in 90 days. Steve asked if Mr Magley had received any response from the County Commissioners. Dave said he had not, but felt we did what was necessary by informing them.

Coop Property – Mr Murphy informed the board that there is a Brownfield Grant available for 100% of the testing on the property, but the Co-op would have to agree. Steve asked Mr Magley if he felt he had a conflict of interest in this situation. Dave said that he is not doing any legal work at all for the Co-op on property issues.

North Central Communications: The Board has received a preliminary contract from North Central in regards to the use of the water tower for a broadband tower. Mr Magley quickly looked through the contract and felt it was a general contract. The board will request that the contract include the clause of offering free monthly service to the library and the Town, to be used at the sewage plant. Upon those revisions, Brady motioned to approve Steve to sign the contract, Daniel seconded. Carried 3-0.

No Parking Ordinance: 2nd reading of ordinance regulating parking in posted areas. Mr Magley will revise to include legal definitions. Brady motioned to accept subject to clarifications/revision. Daniel seconded. Carried 3-0.

2005 Budget: Final reading and approval of Cum Fire resolution. Daniel motioned to approve, Brady seconded. Carried 3-0. Final copies were signed and will be forwarded to County Auditors office.

2005 Salary Ordinance: Final reading and approval. Brady motioned to approve, Daniel seconded. Carried 3-0.

New Business

2004 Leaf Pickup: increase in leaf collection contract due to increased operating cost and 1 extra week of service. Need to remind residents that the leaves need to be in windrows in the edge of the street. They will only bill for the days that they actually pick up. Steve requested the use of warning lights on equipment, and a copy of their certificate of insurance. Daniel motioned to accept, Brady seconded, carried 3-0.

*Sonia Poe asked the board about people living in a motor home behind a garage on Church Street for the past 5 weeks. The board doesn't believe there is anything they can do unless sewage is being dumped or something like that. Bruce will call the property owner to see what is going on.

*Bruce has received an handwritten offer for the old salt spreader for \$50.00. The board agreed to sell at that price since it is of no use to the Town.

* The night watchman seems to be continuing to work the same days and hours, and not breaking up as was requested. Steve asked Mr. Magley if they could terminate the employment. Mr. Magley said they could terminate at any time. Daniel made the motion to terminate as of Sept 15, Brady seconded, carried


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3-0.

*Janet made the following transfer request: \$100 from Gen-Operating to Gen-Publ.Legal; \$1,000 from Gen-Operating to Gen-Elect Bill; \$1,000 from MVH repair & maint supplies to MVH gas-oil; \$1,800 from MVH Stone-Gravel to MVH Storm sewers and \$4,500 from MVH Equip to MVH-Storn Sewers. Brady motioned, Daniel seconded carried 3-0.

Daniel made the motion to adjourn at 8:35PM., Brady seconded. carried 3-0.
Next regular board meeting will be on October 12, 2004 at 7 PM at the Town Hall.



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Submitted by Janet Lyons
Clerk Treasurer for the
Town Board
Roann, IN