

TOWN OF ROANN

Board Minutes

President Daniel Yocum called the regular monthly meeting to order on January 10, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall. Steve Johnson, Brady Brower, Janet Lyons, Bruce Shaw and Sonia Poe were also present.

Minutes from the December meeting were read and approved.

Claims for January were approved.

Election of Board President: Steve nominated Brady as board president, Daniel seconded carried 2-0.

Old Business

Sewer Project: The wall of the old tank was cut yesterday and taken out today to repair. Metering pit is in. Received a call from Mike at Gove – he has looked at the sewer tapes and found no major problems. Some areas of repair are needed, but he doesn't believe it will go over amount originally planned. Fine screen unit itself is approximately \$60,000, not including concrete and structure work. Believes we can proceed with building and stay within budget. Board consensus is they would like to proceed with the building. One pump at the sewage plant is down, but wants to wait to see if we will need with the new system due to cost of repair.

Grant Paperwork: Daniel motioned to approve Steve as signatory on all paperwork, Brady seconded. Carried with 2 Ayes and one abstention.

Water Tower Insulating: Bid came in at \$1,052 for 1". Foam Express had bid 2" at \$1,780. Mopor believes that 1" would be plenty. When weather is more favorable, Bruce will ask Foam Express to quote at 1".

New Business

* Bruce PH meter is not working properly and needs replaced. Would like to go with a portable unit at approximately \$304. Portable D.O. meter – the new aerators are doing a different job and the old meter doesn't work well with them. Cost is approximately \$500 and could come out of cash operating funds. Steve motioned to approve both purchases, Daniel seconded, carried 3-0. We are using more polymer than expected, but is working well. Guessing approximately 12 weeks before replacing the bags. Water tower is close to needing to be painted again on the outside. Cost \$15,000 to paint the outside last time, using the best possible paint. Old paint under the new paint is flaking away from the primer. There are several companies that we can get quotes from. Not sure why paint is flaking, but to sandblast would cost at least \$130,000. 2 years since painted on the inside, so it may need to be visually inspected. May be able to drop the water level and look at to see if it looks ok.

* Steve would like to appropriate \$5,000 to use towards new truck at fire department, payable upon receipt of receipts for misc. equipment. The current ISO rating for the fire department is a 7, which is good for a volunteer department. It should help to decrease the cost of home owner's insurance. Daniel motioned to approve, Brady seconded. Carried with 2 Ayes and one abstention. Discussed using excess money right now by investing in short term CD's, can get some as short as 90 days. Some financial institutions are offering decent rates. Would like us to look at rates for next month and expenditures, Sonia will call around for rates.

* Sonia asked board about cleaning the town hall monthly. The board approved.

* Ballfield improvements: Asked Sonia to get quotes for fencing and necessary repairs for next meeting.

Daniel made the motion to adjourn at 9:20PM, Steve seconded. Carried 3-0.
Next regular board meeting will be on February 14, 2006 - 7 PM at Town Hall.

January 10, 2006
Submitted by Janet Lyons
Clerk Treasurer for the
Town Board
Roann, IN