

## PUBLIC BOARD MEETING

President Steve Johnson called the November 27, 2007 Public Board Meeting to order at 7p.m.. Present was Brady Bowers, Daniel Yocum, Bruce Shaw, Sonia Poe and Kristina Lynn. As well as 2 residents.

This meeting was scheduled to inform the town of the potential resignation of Janet Lyons and the appointing of Sonia Poe as Official Deputy Clerk Treasurer. Steve told the board that Brian Lyons stopped by his home on Tuesday the 20<sup>th</sup> of November 2007 to make arrangements for returning items Janet had that belonged to the town. The two decided to meet on Monday November 26<sup>th</sup> 2007 to do this. As of this meeting there has been no resignation letter from Janet herself or by her attorney. Kristina stated that Janet told her that she would have it delivered to Lori Draper Clerk at Wabash County Court House.

Motion was made to place Janet on unpaid suspension for the duration of her term or until her resignation letter was received, which ever occurred first. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Daniel carried 3-0.

Also, motion was made to approve the appointment of Sonia Poe as acting Clerk Treasurer. Sonia was sworn in on November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2007 and has assumed the duties of the Clerk Treasurer. Daniel 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it carried 3-0.

Sonia informed the board that the exit interview is still about a month off with the State Board of Accounts, and Steve was wondering if the Board should be there as well as Sonia. Kristina thought that would be advisable. So Sonia is to inform the board as soon as possible when the exit interview will be.

Victims Impact Statement was received this week and Kristina said we could hold off on filling this out until the state board of accounts is finished with the audit. But it was important to fill it out and return it, because that will be part of Janet's sentence if she is found guilty.

Janet's bond that the town holds was questioned. Steve asks Kristina if we should make a claim on it yet. Kristina said that a letter should be sent to the bond company about a possible claim, but she thinks it would be better to wait and see if Janet herself can pay the money back first. The board agreed they would wait. Sonia and Kristina will work on the bond issue.

Also the board has asked Julie Rensberger if she would be willing to be hired as a consultant to help Sonia through the transition of the duties of Clerk Treasurer. She said she would and her cost would be \$15.00 per hour. Brady made the motion to hire Julie as a consultant for \$15.00 per hour; Daniel 2<sup>nd</sup> passed 3-0.

Brady made the motion for adjournment at 8:00 p.m.; Daniel 2<sup>nd</sup> passed 3-0.

Submitted By:



Sonia Poe  
Deputy Clerk Treasurer