

FORTVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

The Fortville Town Council met Monday, February 16, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. The meeting was called to order by Vice-President, PHIL SCROGHAM. Those present or absent:

Council Present: RON STAFFORD, PHIL SCROGHAM, TAMMY GILBERT and JEFF RATLIFF

Council Absent: SEAN SIMMONS

Others Present: JOE RENNER Town Manager and GREGG MORELOCK, Attorney

The February 1, 2010, minutes had been distributed to Council Members prior to the meeting. A Motion was made by RON STAFFORD to approve the minutes. Second by JEFF RATLIFF; Motion carried 4-0.

BECKY DAVIS- Fortville Utility Manager- requested \$3,539.29 be written off as bad debt for the year 2007. A Motion was made by TAMMY GILBERT to accept the utility bad debt write-off of \$3,539.29 for the year 2007. Second by RON STAFFORD; Motion carried 4-0.

BEN KIPHART – reported 8 hours of department Special Response Team training. Officers LYONS and FOX attended updated ticket training.

NOLA ALBRECHT- Schneider Corporation- the firm was introduced to the council as a civil engineering group from Ft. Harrison. They would be happy to work with the Town on any projects we might have in the future.

CRAIG GLAZIER- Board of Zoning Appeals- stated only one case in last 6 months involving the Town of Fortville and stated their next meeting will be February 25, 2010.

EARL BOLANDER- Ash Street- submitted a new drawing adding 10 feet to the driveway for the council to consider. This will be on the agenda for March 15, 2010.

A Motion was made to approve the Service Agreement for the year 2010 for GREGG MORELOCK, attorney-at-law by TAMMY GILBERT. Second by RON STAFFORD; Motion carried 3-1 (RATLIFF-nay)

The council each expressed their vision for the future of Fortville.

CALVIN HENDRIX-PARKER- Six Feet Up- stated that someone can start a small business in Fortville and have the business be successful.

JOE RENNER- would like to see the Revised Weight Limit Ordinance passed as soon as possible. A Motion was made to approve on first reading Ordinance 2010-2A An Ordinance Amending Chapter 70, 70.16 of the Code of Ordinance of the Town of Fortville, Indiana by RON STAFFORD. Second by TAMMY GILBERT; Motion carried 4-0.

JOE RENNER met with MICHAEL THISSEN, Office of Community Affairs (OCRA) on the construction grant for the Community Building and our chances of obtaining a grant would be better changing to a planning grant for \$50,000.00.

JOE RENNER also reported that after meeting with MR. THISSEN, we now meet the low to moderate income level. The Town might be eligible for a Main Street Grant and will possibly get assistance with the cost of updating our Comprehensive Plan.

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JOE RENNEN met with Duke Energy to get estimates for decorative street lights on Michigan, Merrill and Madison Streets.

It is possible that more stimulus money may become available for state projects that are federally funded for street construction. Preliminary engineering plans are being done to see what might qualify to receive this funding.

Fortville is a Tree City USA and there are plans for an Arbor Day and Earth Day event on April 23, 2010, the community will be invited to be involved.

JEFF RATLIFF- would like council approval to attend all IACT classes and the annual conference in 2010. This will be on the agenda for March 1, 2010.

Public Comments - GORBIE HAYDEN questioned Chief KIPHART about a recent parking violation.

A Motion was made by RON STAFFORD to approve the vouchers. Second by JEFF RATLIFF; Motion carried 4-0.

A Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:27p.m. was made by RON STAFFORD. Second by JEFF RATLIFF; Motion carried 4-0.

PHIL SCROGHAM, Vice- President

ATTEST:

CYNDI MITCHELL, Deputy Clerk