

# Town Council

## October 21, 2008

---

Pre meeting was held in attendance Mayor Victoria DeCora, Shirley Brown, Beau Taylor, Donn Wooden, and Don Jorgensen.

Mayor DeCora called the regular meeting to order at 7:02 pm all council present Mayor DeCora led the pledge of allegiance.

**Town Council October 7<sup>th</sup> 2008 Minutes.** Donn Wooden motions to approve said minutes. Don Jorgensen seconds all favor. Motion Carried.

**Leon Kjellgren: Update on Collection System.** Leon Kjellgren states that 87% of sewer pipe has been laid and tested. Left to do is half of Trail Dr, Short St East and Short West. Shutting down for the winter so the roads will be ready for plow also 80% of the casing has been laid we are still inside of easements. The well is partially complete. All asphalt paving has been completed yet some of it has been rejected. We will leave those repairs for next spring. Completion is still for June 30<sup>th</sup> 2009 and well within budget. Limited amount of work for next year will be tying on and completion of wet well and Trail Dr, and believes it will be done by deadline. Tiphany Gayhart concerned about asphalt Trail Dr is just chip seal. Leon says Trail Dr will be replaced will gravel. **Bob Ablondi: Update Status Third Water Well.** Bob says the third well is the level 2 project and going on for some time. We have been looking at data and the well will be a good producer for the town. (Handed out table of contents for the well). The well came within budget in regard to the drilling and testing. The data over time led us to the conclusion that these wells can be operated individually at doubling capacity and the new well goes to around 1000 gallons a minute. Peak levels will not run that capacity more like 500 gallons. As we look at the other wells we still remain to be the best wells in the area. Alpine will play a huge role in water supply. It has been a process turning permits into DEQ and get wells upgraded while the demand is down, upgrading line going to the tank and down to Greys River road. With all 3 wells operating it will be 1800 gallons per minute. North Star Utility may be interested in water and help with financing. Improvement district also revenue. The final report will have updates of cost estimates and schedule as well as background data testing. (Handouts available online). Pump 1 has been having issues and we are making getting this 3<sup>rd</sup> well operational ASAP. The next step to get report done so we may turn the well over to the town. Tiphany would like to know about the excessive chlorine and will it be more managed. Bob says there is a chlorination system. Deb Wolfley in order to go to bids we need report sign off by council and state? The main thing needed is the DEQ permit and the state approval.

**Jeane Robertson: 615 Snake River Dr.** Janine says she lives in River View Subdivision and constructing a home, the home will not have a Certificate of Occupancy (C of O) until November but her request is to get a deferral of payment of water bill until the home is complete. She does not feel it is fair to ask for payment for water that they are not using yet. Victoria DeCora says in the ordinance after the pit is set the payments incur. Beau Taylor says he has a friend that is dealing with the same issue. I feel we need

to change ordinance and change billing until when the C of O permit is acquired. Don Jorgensen asks if meter is set. Mayor DeCora says it is. Donn Wooden says it used to be paid by a deposit for a service box when meter was installed for beneficial use then received water bill will be after activity started. It should be after when the plumbing is set. Deb Wolfley says there are other 2 homes set in the same situation and little water has been used she indeed has not been using that much water. Stefan Fodor suggested the ordinance does not allow for a deferral, but the ordinance can be changed **Mayor DeCora asks for a motion to differ payment and water fees until usage of water. Beau Taylor motions. Don Jorgensen seconds. All in favor.** Don Jorgensen asks if we can research changing the ordinance with regards to billing not beginning after the setting of the pit.

**SALL Enterprises: Discussion payment structure for sewer plant fees.** Jeff Attwood says we are provisioning the financial plan done by Gerald Goulding. This plan is a special assessment plan. There has been comment around that this cannot be done after the fact. Diggs Lewis called Robert Tompkins and this was done for Evansville. His recommendation, the town needs to form the district and get the money for the loan. (See handout) Beau Taylor has concerns with numbers and if it is legal. Mayor DeCora says why River View Meadows would be happy about paying an assessment when they have already paid for this. Beau Taylor says he does like plan but concerned about the legality. Carla Stone says we are looking for an equitable assessment for everyone. Tiphany Gayhart says she is more than happy to pay the assessment. Stefan Fodor: it seems in your rough number you are able to pay for the 266,750 (annual loan repayment) how will you pay for the operation maintenance and infrastructure and reserves? Diggs Lewis says you are getting money from NSU. Beau Taylor says the plan looks as it would take care of fees. Stefan Fodor says just on the rough numbers you are 153,000 short per year on operation and maintenance and does not even address the issue of the reserves. Diggs Lewis says you have a contract with NSU and you need an incentive doing this plan and if you add their lots in pay table you will get a positive. Mayor DeCora says we suggest plugging this in financial plan and see if this works. Donn Wooden says I agree with the assessment but it is the bonding we cannot do. Jeff Attwood says even if the numbers need to be worked with we are willing to do this. Don Jorgensen says you have numbers that can be adjusted up. Diggs Lewis says the business community is to get everyone along and work together, give incentive to move forward in this town. Mayor DeCora says she needs SALL Enterprises to sign to sign their leach field permit. Diggs says he will not sign if temporary is still on permit. Stefan Fodor asks if he is willing to have the consequences without signing permit. Diggs Lewis says you do what you have to do.

**298-Resolution No. 10-21-08-2008 Federal Trade Commission Theft Prevention Development** Mayor DeCora reads the resolution in its entirety. Mayor DeCora asks for a motion. **Donn Wooden motions to approve Don Jorgensen seconds all favor. Motion Carries**

**299-Resolution No. 10-21-08-2008 Authorizing Possible Amendments to 178-Ordinance No. 2008-34.** Mayor DeCora read ordinance in its entirety. **Donn Wooden motions to approve. Shirley Brown seconds all in favor motion carried.**

**Tabled from last meeting: (appointment of open seat for P&Z)** Mayor DeCora nominates Kathy Perks Shirley Brown makes motion to also accept Kathy Perks. Don Jorgensen rejects he has read Carla Stone's

application and needs to look at one more nominee. Beau Taylor rejects Kathy Perks and merits same comments as Don. Donn wooden motions to reject and believes second nominee Carla Stone is highly qualified and helps with various activities. (This issue died on table)

**Stefan Fodor:** Updates I have provided P&Z with revisions last week on land use and development codes, development standards, subdivision process & subdivision codes which are half way done. The sewer subcommittee is reviewing the 3 plans.

**Deb Wolfley:** Updates as Stefan stated one off the things that was stressed that the town reserve should have in 20 years 2 million dollars plus. Mayor DeCora says that is a State requirement. We plugged in numbers for the committee meeting North Star was there and he will get with Stefan on proposed plans, if we change this what will be the response from Northstar and he could not give that comment yet.

**Deb Wolfley:** says our clay valve on well has malfunctioned, it is ordered and next week will repair well. Grant approved for Civic Center and we need to pick a date with council and architects on office space and grant money to move shop. Also the ball diamonds what we would like to do in field next year? There is grant money we can apply for upgrades. So we may move forward with ball field.

We will hear back with Nelson Engineering on Open house when the WWTP is ready.


**Unpaid Bills: Beau Taylor motions to pay unpaid bills Don Jorgensen seconds. All in favor motion carried.**

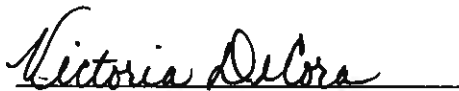
Justin Scott asks if there is a noise ordinance in the town of Alpine, is there a specific decibel level. I live next to the big green silo and this can be very noisy at times. I know the town is doing construction and there is a generator heard 24 hours a day. Is there anything that can be done? Mayor DeCora says that may warrant looking into, yet the silo is not in town limits. Don Jorgensen says they may be able to move generator. Troy Johnson says file a complaint with WYDOT.

Mayor DeCora asks for a motion to adjourn regular meeting. Don Jorgensen motions to adjourn. Beau Taylor seconds. All in favor meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.



ATTEST:

  
Town Clerk, Whitney Heller



Mayor, Victoria DeCora