

Regular

AUGUST 2nd, 2011

7:00 p.m.

Mayor Keeran called the meeting to order with all council members present.

July minutes were read and approved. Bills, Mayor's Court, Water & Sewer reports were presented and approved.

Mayor Keeran introduced Ed Fleman, Greg Norris and Lee Grabill from **All American Energy Cooperative Association** who gave a presentation to Council regarding installing and distributing natural gas into the village. The natural gas could possibly be ready for the 2012 heating season and would save the residents a substantial savings. Council President Murphy stated he would prefer council research more before beginning the ordinance process.

2012 Temporary Budget was presented and discussed. Murphy made a motion to approve 2nd by Spain. With Murphy, Spain, Thompson, Warner and Scott voting yes, Brown voting no. Motion approved 5-1.

Guidelines for uncollectable water & sewer accounts was presented and discussed. Brown questioned the guidelines, Mayor Keeran explained all situations are/can be a little different. Warner asked if it could be posted? Keeran talked about trying to collect through Civil Action. Murphy made a motion to accept the guidelines as presented 2nd by Thompson, Murphy, Thompson, Warner, Spain & Scott voting yes, Brown voting no.

Questions from Brown:

- Asked if Village had paid off a pump and are the water bills going down? Yoder replied no.
- Number of seats up for election? Yoder yes, 1 Mayor & 2 Council seats
- Who is going to run for election? Keeran yes, Spain yes, Scott undecided.
- Ride along program with Sheriff – how long has it been in effect? Deputy McNeely replied " a long time". Brown needs to speak with the Sheriff Emmons or Chief Melvin about the program. Brown questioned the insurance Keeran said the Sheriff Office covers the insurance on the vehicle. Brown thinks there needs to be more communication with the Sheriff's office.

Yoder updated Council on crack & seal program, nine streets were completed this year. He also provided info from American Energy Cooperative Association regarding Natural Gas in the village. They would like to address Council in August.

Bryce Brown asked if the Village had anything in the demolition of 71 S. Sycamore St property. Yoder informed him the property owner took care of it and the Village is pleased they have chosen to do so.

Connie Switts asked if the minutes could be accessed on website, Keeran answered yes, but still working on getting someone to do our website.

Deputy McNeely gave the policing report for June.

With no further business Spain moved to adjourn seconded by Murphy all in favor.

Citizens attending were noted: Josh Welty, Bryce Brown, Thad Davis, Rusty & Gwen Beech, Randy & Millie Damron, Connie Switts, Craig Shirk, & Corrie Bix.

Next regular Council meeting will be Tuesday, August 2nd at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Andy Yoder pro tem Diane Davis

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