

TOWN OF WOLCOTT COUNCIL MEETING

The Council of the Town of Wolcott met Tuesday, February 7, 2012 at 6 pm in the Community Room of the Wolcott Town Hall for its regular stated meeting. Present were President Marsha L. Mackey, Vice President Jon H. Evans, Council members Richard A. Lynn, Fred A. Young and Michael A. Yelton, Clerk-Treasurer Linda S. Bajzatt, Town Attorney Mark L. Callaway, Wolcott Town Marshal James M. Herre, Wolcott Water/Streets Supt. Robert G. Thomas and Wolcott Volunteer Fire Dept. Chief Kenneth Burns. Also present were residents Daryl Orns, James Britt, Kevin and Mindy Emonds, Charlie and Brenda Scott, and Jerry Mackey, Tri-County High School students Andrew Rowe, Jody Collins, Olivia Cyr, Zach Scott and Brandon Layton, Sarah Cannady, Executive Director of RWCDC, Marc Rape of Strand Associates, Kimberly Baker of K-IRPC and Barbara Lawson of The New Wolcott Enterprise.

Council President Marsha Mackey opened the meeting by asking all present to join in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

She then asked if there were any questions or comments from the audience.

Kevin Emond stated that the drainage tiles are not hooked correctly to the manhole that is located near the library alley. He asked how it would benefit East Burke Street there. Mr. Emond stated that, by looking in the manhole, you can see that the 8" tile in the alley is running up hill. Marc Rape stated that a new line was installed to flow into the manhole. Mr. Rape explained that the old tile will fill the manhole and overflow to the new tile.

Charlie and Brenda Scott expressed concerns about the Wolcott Farmers Co-op's proposed plans for more grain bins on the property located at 4th & West Market Street. Mr. Scott stated that if the Co-op builds up the foundation of the bins like they have at the currently location, then the rainwater will have nowhere to soak in other than across the street to his property and the other properties along West Market. Mr. Scott stated that he and Jim Britt attended the last White County Council meeting and the County Drainage Board meeting. He stated that the Co-op presented plans with two large bins, a wet bin and a leg. Council President Marsha Mackey stated that the last time she had talked to the manager of the Co-op, which was about 10 days ago, he had indicated that the project was now on hold. Mrs. Mackey asked if at the Co-op had a second proposal for drainage. Mr. Britt stated drainage was never addressed other than the first meeting and that the Co-op was told they had to drain the water to the Stoller, which is north of town; Mr. Scott stated that they discussed the height variance for the bin and the corner variance. Council Vice President Jon Evans directed Bob Thomas to investigate this issue – to talk with the County Drainage Board and to talk with Jack Buntin, manager of the Farmers Co-op. Bob Thomas stated that he will be at the next County Drainage Board meeting. Charlie and Brenda Scott stated that if they were not at the County meeting, they are afraid that the plans would go through; they do not want more water flowing into their yard. Discussion ensued as to what tiles the water would flow to and the tile sizes in various areas.

Kevin Emond stated that he didn't see how the new drainage tiles on Burke Street would work. Mr. Emond stated that the pipe is clogged, and the construction company installed a new pipe at no elevation so he does not see how it can drain. Marc Rape stated that the old drainage tile will

flow into the manhole; when the water level reaches the new tile, it will flow out. Mr. Rape stated that if the plan was not designed using the minimum grade at the intersection, then the pipes would have been at a flatter stage than the minimum grade. Kimberly Baker asserted that all design plans are submitted to and approved by White County and the State of Indiana before any funds can be expended and construction started. Mr. Emond asked what would happen if the drainage doesn't work. Mrs. Baker stated that because Federal dollars are funding this project, there is great scrutiny by the different governmental agencies involved to ascertain that the plans will work. Mindy Emond asked who will enforce the actions to correct a matter if it does not work. Mrs. Baker stated that the Town would contact K-IRPC who in turn would notify the State of Indiana. Strand Associates and Deichman Excavating have submitted performance bonds which cover the expense of correcting a construction project that is not successful. Council President thanked the residents for bringing their concerns to the Council and thanked Mark Rape and Kimberly Baker for their input.

Council member Fred Young moved to accept the following minutes and memoranda as read:

- January 3, 2012 Council Meeting
- January 16, 2012 Executive Session
- January 17, 2012 Council Meeting

Council Vice President Jon Evans seconded the motion; and the motion passed 4-0.

Departmental reports were then given:

Water/Street Supt. Robert Thomas stated presented the Council with a handout explaining the purpose of NPDES water permit. Mr. Thomas stated that Randy Bonty of Mission Controls has indicated to him that the new E-1 pumps for the Park lift station should be delivered next week.

Wolcott Town Marshal James Herre present the Council with the Police Department's Activity Report for the month of January, 2012.

Wolcott Volunteer Fire Department Chief Ken Burns stated that Shreves Emergency Equipment performed the annual maintenance on all of the fire trucks; all trucks passed the inspection. Rescue squad no. 3 has some a problem; but the fire department volunteers will repair that issue when the parts are delivered. Chief Burns stated that the actual report from ISO should have arrived. The Clerk-Treasurer presented the report and cover letter to the Council President. It confirms that the Town of Wolcott fire rating is now lowered to a "6". Chief Burns showed the Council the new types of fire boots the department has purchased; each pair cost \$230.00. Chief Burns stated that he is now looking at replacing the turn-out gear. New attire will cost about \$1,250 for a full set.

Clerk-Treasurer Linda S. Bajzatt read correspondence which invited the Council to attend:

- A. Downtown Revitalization Grant Award Ceremony – Indiana State House, Friday, February 10 at 2:00 pm – Who will attend?
- B. White County Economic Development Annual Luncheon, Friday, Feb 24 11:30 am at Brandywine Convention Center
- C. Nipsco Customer Alliance Workshop, Tuesday March 6th at Brandywine.

The Clerk-Treasurer presented the Council with an invoice for \$5,000 from the RWDCD for annual professional services. The decision to pay was tabled until next meeting.

The Clerk-Treasurer stated that the housing repair grant advertisement for RFPs has been advertised on February 2nd, and that letters have been mailed to prospective grant administrators. Responses to the RFPs must be received in the Clerk-Treasurer's office by March 2, 2012.

Council President Marsha Mackey called a Special Session for Wednesday, February 15, 2012 at 6pm to meet with Butler, Fairman & Seufert engineers to review the Downtown Revitalization Project.

Town Attorney Mark Callaway stated that he saw no need to change the contract documents between the Town of Wolcott and Indiana Office of Community & Rural Affairs grant award and between the Town of Wolcott and K-IRPC for the Downtown Revitalization grant award.

Kimberly Baker, grant administrator from K-IRPC, explained the process to request approval to submit payment for add construction inspector fees for Strand Associates. Mrs. Baker stated that if there are extraordinary circumstances that surrounded the need for additional engineering fees, the chief elected official may draft a letter on Town letter head, explaining in detail the need for the additional engineering costs, with a request to OCRA asking that grant funds pay for the additional engineering charges. She stated that the grant administrator needs to ensure that there is enough grant monies available to pay the additional fees and that the Town is in concurrence and is aware completely of the money, situation and requirements. Once the request letter is drafted and the request is approved by OCRA, an addendum to the engineering contract must be drafted and signed by the Town. Marc Rape stated that he will prepare the change order request and present it to the Clerk-Treasurer soon. Council President Marsha Mackey thanked Mrs. Baker for attending the meeting and explaining the process.

Council member Michael Yelton moved to approve the Agreement between the Town of Wolcott and Indiana Office of Community & Rural Affairs for the Downtown Revitalization grant award, EDS# A192-12-MS-11-100; Council Vice President Jon Evans seconded the motion; and the motion passed 4-0. Council President Marsha Mackey then signed the agreement, with Clerk-Treasurer Linda S. Bajzatt attesting.

Council member Fred Young moved to approve the Agreement between the Town of Wolcott and Kankakee-Iroquois Regional Planning Commission for grant administration for the Downtown Revitalization grant award, EDS# A192-12-MS-11-100; Council Vice President Jon Evans seconded the motion; and the motion passed 4-0. Council President Marsha Mackey then signed the agreement, with Clerk-Treasurer Linda S. Bajzatt attesting.

Council Vice President Jon Evans moved to approve the Agreement between the Town of Wolcott and Mark L. Callaway, Attorney-at-Law for professional services; Council member Fred Young seconded the motion; and the motion passed 4-0. Council President Marsha Mackey then signed the agreement, with Clerk-Treasurer Linda S. Bajzatt attesting.

There being no other business, the accounts payable register was approved and signed for the following amounts:

Accounts Payable

General Fund	\$23,692.38
Motor Vehicle Highway Fund (MVH)	\$ 2,332.94
Park Board Fund	\$ 424.38
CCI Fund	\$ 35.27
Water Operating Fund	\$11,477.03
Wastewater Operating Fund	\$13,747.42
Stormwater Fund	\$ 282.09
Ambulance Fund	\$ 1,375.34
Payroll – Net Wages Fund	\$ 6,047.00
Payroll – Federal W/holding Fund	\$ 933.34
Payroll – State & County W/holding Fund	\$ 899.94
Payroll – FICA/Medi W/holding Fund	\$ 1,142.11
Payroll – HSA Fund	\$ 210.00
Payroll – Garnishment Fund	\$ 400.00
Payroll – Medical Insurance Fund	\$ 781.44
Payroll – Liberty National Fund	\$ 141.56

for a grand total of \$63,922.24.

Council member Fred Young moved to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Council Vice President Jon Evans; and the motion passed 4-0.

/s/ Marsha L. Mackey
Marsha L. Mackey, Council President

/s/ Jon H. Evans
Jon H. Evans, Vice President

/s/ Richard A. Lynn
Richard A. Lynn, Council Member

/s/ Fred A. Young
Fred A. Young, Council Member

Attest:

/s/ Michael A. Yelton
Michael A. Yelton, Council Member

/s/ Linda S. Bajzatt
Linda S. Bajzatt, Clerk-Treasurer