

Ordinance 804-2012 Passed

SRF Bond Ordinance

The SRF (State Revolving Fund) bonds would be used to finance the sewer and storm water separation project on the north side. The separation is an unfunded state mandate. In the past the city has incurred fines do to overflow issues. The new bonds cannot be issued on top of the current sewage debt without a rate increase. Funds are available to pay of the Sewage Revenue Bonds of 2002. Ordinance 805-2012 authorizes the payoff of these bonds and the issuance of bonds for the separation project.

Motion to pass Ordinance 805-2012 on the first reading by: Ken Schuman
Seconded by: Julia Bell ***Vote: All Ayes***

2011 Police Dept. Annual Report – Chief Shearer

Police Chief Bryan Shearer presented a power point with department statistics for 2011 with comparisons to 2010. He noted that the city’s population doubles during day time working hours with the number of people employed in the city’s industry. The accomplishments of the department were noted, with emphasis on the code enforcement officer and school resource officer at West Noble Primary.

Claim Registers – APV # 35879 through 36000

Motion to approve by: Chris Fought ***Seconded by: Ken Schuman*** ***Vote: All Ayes***

Comments by Members of Council and Administration

Waterworks Superintendent Jeff Boyle

Jeff recently returned from water school and noted new rules are coming

Street Superintendent Mike Burdette

The department is currently updating the street signs with the new design mandated by the state

City Engineer Rick Pharis

The bids for the north east basin project were opened. If any residents have questions regarding the project they can call Rick for further information.

Fire Chief Jeremy Weaver

The department is wrapping up their annual fundraiser. It allowed them to purchase a unit for the first responder truck. Training on the unit took place this evening. The department will have a booth at Showcase Ligonier.

Mayor Patty Fisel

Mayor Fisel is giving her State of the City address on Thursday, March 1, 2012 in the basement of the Police Department at 7:00 pm and encouraged everyone to attend. City department will have displays and information available. City personnel will be available for questions.

Northeast Indiana Solid Waste meets in Ashley monthly. The mayor asked if any council member would be interested in serving on the board.

Nominations for the 2011 professional local government person are being accepted by the state until 3/16/12.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by: Ken Schuman ***Seconded by: Chris Fought***

Barbara Hawn, Clerk Treasurer

Patricia Fisel, Mayor