

**Minutes of the Trail Creek Town Council Meeting for:
April 15, 2008**

(A complete transcript is available in the Clerk's office on tape # 334)

The regular meeting of the Trail Creek Town Council was held on Tuesday, April 15th, 2008 at the Town Hall, 211 Rainbow Trail, Trail Creek, Indiana. Council members present were: Council President Ron Lombard, Councilman Jamie Baldwin, Councilman John Bayler, Councilman Warren Schacht, Councilman Jeff Studtman and Clerk/Treasurer Anne Dobbs.

Following presentation of the minutes of the regular Council meeting on March 18th, Councilman Warren Schacht moved for approval. Councilman Jamie Baldwin seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Clerk/Treasurer Anne Dobbs presented copies of a financial report regarding the Town. Councilman Jamie Baldwin moved to approve the Treasurer's report and Councilman Jeff Studtman seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Claims – Claims against the town in the amount of NINETY ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY FOUR DOLLARS and 45/100 (91,834.45) were presented. Councilman Warren Schacht moved for payment, Councilman Jeff Studtman seconded. The vote was unanimous.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. One letter was read from NIRPC and Mr. Lombard stated that the topic really does not pertain to Trail Creek.
2. Council President Ron Lombard introduced State Senator Jim Arnold who addressed the assembly and answered any questions from the audience and HB 1001.

REPORTS:

ATTORNEY: Attorney William Herrbach reported that he has been in contact with the County Commission in regard to needed inspections for outside wood burners. He hopes to have some definite answers in the near future. He has completed the legal review of our ordinances for the Municipal Code. He feels we should let them stand as they are now and then review them again in 2009. The Code books should be delivered in the near future. Mr. Herrbach stated that he and Engineer John Doyle have been working on the problem of material on property owned by Mike Krachinski and adjoining property owned by Dave Bays. They are waiting for an inspection by Rick Brown of MS4 to determine if there is contamination.

BUILDING INSPECTOR: Not in attendance.

ENGINEER: Engineer John Doyle presented copies of proposed projects for the 2008 Paving and Drainage Program. They are not in any priority order. After a discussion a special meeting was set for May 12th so the Council can review the projects and a determination of funds available. The topic of drainage and seeding on Pritz Park was discussed. Councilman Jamie Baldwin moved to authorize Mr. Doyle to obtain proposals for the drainage on Pritz Park, not to exceed \$10,000. Councilman John Bayler seconded and the vote was unanimous. Councilman John Bayler then moved to approve seeding of the park not to exceed \$6,500.00. Councilman Warren Schacht seconded and the vote was unanimous.

MS4: Kate Doyle presented the completed MS4 manual. Following a review of the manual the Council will adopt the Ordinance of Acceptance.

PARK DEPARTMENT: Park Liaison John Bayler submitted bills from Kyle McCoy in the amount of \$155.65 for the project he built for his Eagle Scout badge. Clerk Dobbs stated that she questions the payment of this because approval had been given to Kyle for the location but not for any monetary donation. She will check with the State Board of Accounts to confirm this. Mr. Bayler then withdrew his request. Councilman Bayler then reported on the combined meeting of the Park Board, Planning and Zoning Boards and the Council to discuss the parking problems at Nelson Park during baseball season. Several ideas were presented to help alleviate this problem. Councilman Warren Schacht will contact Chris Willoughby from the baseball league to discuss this further.

PLANNING AND ZONING: Nothing to report.

POLICE DEPT: Marshal Todd Klosinski informed the Council that the Department has the opportunity to get a canine dog at no charge for the animal or training. He is going to research this further as to insurance etc. and will report back at next months meeting.

STREET DEPARTMENT: Street Superintendent Brian Kubath reported that they are finishing up with the spring clean up of leaves. So far fourteen (14) loads have been picked up, most years they have three or four. Brian then informed the Council of the need to replace the fence on the west side of Congdon Park. He suggested that it will connect to the Street Department fence. The Council approved this project.

NIRPC: Meeting will be held on April 17th.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Reminder of the "Special Meeting", Monday April 21st 2008 at 6:30 p.m.
2. Clerk Anne Dobbs read Resolution 2008-1, a resolution requesting the issuance of provisional tax bills when property tax bills are not mailed out in a timely manner. Councilman Jaime Baldwin moved for adoption and Councilman John Bayler seconded. The vote was unanimous.
3. The Krachinski property was addressed earlier.
4. Clerk Anne Dobbs presented the liability insurance for the 2008-2009 year. The coverage is identical to what we have been carrying and there is a saving of almost \$10,000.00.
5. The Memorial Day Program will be held on Monday, May 26th at 1:00 p.m. at Nelson Park.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Councilman Jeff Studtman presented a "Conflict of Interest" form and asked for approval from the Council. Mr. Herrbach explained that Councilman Studtman will be working with the newly organized baseball league; therefore he will be prohibited from voting on any matters pertaining to the league.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public Comments: Fred Weiss, 2550 S. Roeske, addressed the Council concerning the unfinished paving project on Roeske Avenue. Mr. Doyle explained that the asphalt plants have not opened for the season but this will be resolved as soon as material is available.

Council Comments: Councilman Warren Schacht inquired what it would take to erect "No Parking" signs in some areas around Nelson Park. Mr. Herrbach explained that after the parking places have been finalized, following a survey, an ordinance can be passed designating "no parking" areas.

Clerk's Comments: No comment.

There being no further business or comments Councilman Jamie Baldwin moved for adjournment at 8:25 p.m. Councilman Jeff Studtman seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Attest: _____
Anne M. Dobbs, Clerk-Treasurer