

**Minutes of the Trail Creek Town Council Meeting for:
January 20, 2009**

(A complete transcript is available in the Clerk's office on tape # 343)

The regular meeting of the Trail Creek Town Council was held on Tuesday, December 16th, 2008 at the Town Hall, 211 Rainbow Trail, Trail Creek, Indiana. All Council members were present and Clerk/Treasurer Anne Dobbs was present.

Following a correction to the nomination of John Bayler for Council President, which was made by Councilman Warren Schacht not Councilman Ron Lombard, and seconded by Councilman Jamie Baldwin. Councilman Ron Lombard moved for approval and Councilman Jamie Baldwin seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Clerk Treasurer Anne Dobbs presented the year end report for 2008. Councilman Warren Schacht moved for acceptance and Councilman Jeff Studtman seconded. The vote was unanimous.

CLAIMS – Following clarification of several claims, Councilman Jamie Baldwin moved for payment in the amount of Claims against the town in the amount of ONE HUNDRED TWENTY NINE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY ONE DOLLARS and 92/100 (\$129761.92) were presented. Councilman Jeff Studtman seconded and the vote was unanimous.

CORRESPONDENCE: Clerk Dobbs read a letter from Prosecuting Attorney Robert Beckman informing the Marshals Department that they will be receiving THREE HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS (\$320.00) from the Infraction Deferral Fund for the 16 tickets that were issued from July 1, 2008 until December 31, 2008.

Representatives from the Coolspring Volunteer Fire Department spoke to the Council about the expansion of their facility at Johnson Road and 400 North. They need room for more equipment and space for the members of the Department to meet and socialize. Councilman Jeff Studtman asked that they return when they have some firm figures. Clerk Dobbs stated that there will be no financial figures available before the March meeting, if then. Chief Pawlik will stay in touch with Clerk Dobbs and return when there may be some answers available.

REPORTS:

ATTORNEY: Attorney William F. Herrbach reported that he will start updating the codification of Ordinances that were done in 2008. It could take 5 months or more.

BUILDING INSPECTOR: In the absence of Steve Thomas, Clerk Dobbs reported that just one (1) permit was issued.

ENGINEER: Engineer John Doyle reported that the final payment to Walsh & Kelly for the Roeske Avenue Project has been submitted and approved for payment with the claims earlier. The Evergreen Park ditch is about 2/3 finished. The State Highway Department will not be cleaning their portion of the ditch until Spring. Mr. Doyle then addressed the "stimulus project" and stated that the Town needs to have our plans in place if there is a 90 day time frame for this project. Councilman Jamie Baldwin said that he will "spearhead" this and make the necessary contacts.

MS4: Kate Doyle had nothing to report at this time.

PARK DEPARTMENT: President John Bayler, Park Liaison, reported that only two (2) members attended so no business was conducted.

PLANNING AND ZONING: Clerk Dobbs stated that there has been a variance request filed and as soon as a date can be set she will send out notices for the BZA meeting.

POLICE DEPT: Marshal Paul Schoof thanked the Council for his appointment. He and the men of the Department would like to make some improvements to their office. The men are going to do the work themselves.

STREET DEPARTMENT: In the absence of Brian Kubath, Jeff Bruder reported that they finished picking up the leaves on December 12th, they had 120 loads. Snow removal is going well with few complaints. Mr. Bruder stated that there is a great shortage of salt and abrasives for the streets.

NIRPC: No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. A \$2300.00 check has been received from our insurance company to cover damage done to one (1) squad car transmission from the flooded streets.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The 2007 Tahoe has been marked and will be on display outside after the meeting.
2. The 2009 Refuse Assessment bills have been mailed. .
3. Clerk Dobbs presented the Engineering and the MS4 Representatives consulting fee agreements for John A. Doyle and Kathleen Doyle.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public Comments: No comment

Council Comments: No comment.

Clerk's Comments: Councilman Warren Schacht stated that he would like to have any of the Council members that are interested in visiting the Fire Department facility contact him and he would be happy to take them through it.

There being no further business or comments Councilman Jeff Studtman moved for adjournment at 8:00 p.m. and Councilman Ron Lombard seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Attest:

Anne M. Dobbs, Clerk-Treasurer