

**Minutes of the Trail Creek Town Council Meeting for:
February 17, 2009**

(A complete transcript is available in the Clerk's office on tape # 344)

The regular meeting of the Trail Creek Town Council was held on Tuesday, February 17th, 2009 at the Town Hall, 211 Rainbow Trail, Trail Creek, Indiana. All Council members were present. Clerk/Treasurer Anne Dobbs was present.

Following a correction of the date on the January 20th minutes, Councilman Ron Lombard moved for approval and Councilman Jamie Baldwin seconded. The vote was unanimous.

After Clerk Treasurer Anne Dobbs presented her report, Councilman Warren Schacht moved for acceptance and Councilman Ron Lombard seconded. The vote was unanimous.

CLAIMS – Claims against the Town in the amount of SIXTY FOUR THOUSAND FORTY TWO DOLLARS and 93/100, (\$64,042.93) were presented. Following clarification of several claims, Councilman Jamie Baldwin moved for payment and Councilman Warren Schacht seconded. The vote was unanimous.

CORRESPONDENCE: No correspondence.

REPORTS:

ATTORNEY: Attorney William F. Herrbach had nothing to report

BUILDING INSPECTOR: Steve Thomas was not in attendance and no new permits had been issued.

ENGINEER: Engineer John Doyle reported that work on the Evergreen Plaza Ditch is nearing completion. The weather has been a factor in the delay.

MS4: Kate Doyle reported that at the meeting it was reported that the City of Michigan City is looking into software tracking for the MS4 program. Rick Brown is looking into hiring an intern for the summer.

PARK DEPARTMENT: President John Bayler, Park Liaison, reported the meeting was held and the Summer Playground Program was discussed. President Robin Kohn is going to meet with Clerk Dobbs to get some information about the hiring of a supervisor.

PLANNING AND ZONING: No report

POLICE DEPT: Marshal Paul Schoof reported that the men of his Department are working on the remodeling of their office.

STREET DEPARTMENT: Brian Kubath reported that he has been notified by the Solid Waste District that there will not be any wood chips available this year. There will be compost available to residents. He is in the process of getting bids for the removal of the very large tree at the intersection of Johnson Road and Greenwood Avenue. They have been patching pot holes and the leaves from the fall removal will be taken from the storage site in the near future. He then showed the Council some designs for decals to be used on the Town trucks. Brian told them that he would like to look for a plow blade to be put on the back-hoe. The cost was figured in his budget for 2009.

NIRPC: Councilman Ron Lombard reported that he submitted the Stimulus plans prepared by John Doyle. He feels that we stand a good chance of being funded. Councilman Lombard explained the other projects that are being considered by the Transportation Board.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Pastor Jon Rumley addressed the drainage pipe that runs from Evergreen Baptist to the storm drain on Red Oak. This drain runs between the rectory of the church and Kevin McGrath's property. Councilman Jamie Baldwin moved for the Town to assume the easement and maintenance of the drain. Councilman Ron Lombard seconded. The vote was unanimous with John Bayler abstaining because of a conflict of interest.
2. The Refuse Contract with Allied Waste for 2009-2010 was signed. This had been approved earlier.
3. The Ordinance establishing parking regulations for Nelson Park was presented. Following a lengthy discussion, Councilman Jamie Baldwin moved for passage and Councilman Ron Lombard seconded. Councilman Warren Schacht, Councilman Bayler, Councilman Baldwin and Councilman Lombard voted Aye. Councilman Studtman voted Nay.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public Comments: ^{Ed} John Muzyka, 1905 Welnetz Road, addressed the Council about the water problem near his home. Engineer John Doyle stated that the swales at the rear of the properties have been filled in and do not allow the water to flow away.

Council Comments: No comment.

Clerk's Comments: No comment.

There being no further business or comments Councilman Jamie Baldwin moved for adjournment at 8:05 p.m. and Councilman Ron Lombard seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Attest: _____

Anne M. Dobbs, Clerk-Treasurer