

**Minutes of the Trail Creek Town Council Meeting for:
April 21, 2009**

(A complete transcript is available in the Clerk's office on tape # 346)

The regular meeting of the Trail Creek Town Council was held on Tuesday, April 21st, 2009 at the Town Hall, 211 Rainbow Trail, Trail Creek, Indiana. Council members present were Councilman Warren Schacht, Councilman Ron Lombard, Councilman Jeff Studtman and Councilman Jamie Baldwin were present. Council President John Bayler was absent. Clerk/Treasurer Anne Dobbs was present.

Following presentation of the minutes of the regular Council meeting on March 17th, Councilman Jamie Baldwin moved for approval. Councilman Warren Schacht seconded and the vote was unanimous.

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

CLAIMS – Claims against the Town in the amount of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY THREE DOLLARS and 01/100 (\$100,423.01) were presented. Councilman Jamie Baldwin moved for payment and Councilman Ron Lombard seconded. The vote was unanimous.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Clerk Anne Dobbs read a letter from Park Board member, Mike Lamb, informing the Council of his request to resign his position. Councilman Ron Lombard moved to accept "with regrets" Mike's resignation. Councilman Jamie Baldwin seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Representatives from the Coolspring Volunteer Fire Department, Mick Pawlak and Ryan Miller, addressed the Council about the donation for the proposed addition to the Fire Station. Miller said that drawings are being prepared. Following a discussion, and stating that the entire donation does not have to be paid at the time it is made, Councilman Jamie Baldwin moved to pledge \$50,000.00 to be paid in an "indefinite" period of time. Councilman Jeff Studtman seconded and the vote was unanimous.

REPORTS:

ATTORNEY: Attorney William F. Herrbach had nothing to report at this time.

BUILDING INSPECTOR: One permit was issued since the March meeting in the amount of \$3500.00 and a permit fee of \$45.00.

ENGINEER: Engineer John Doyle reported that NIRPC will approve the ARRA Stimulus Project proposal. The final plans should be drawn as soon as possible. Councilman Warren Schacht moved to approve Engineer John Doyle preparing the plans. Councilman Ron Lombard seconded and the vote was unanimous.

MS4: Kate Doyle reported there is not much going on at this time but Rick Brown is working on Erosion Control.

PARK DEPARTMENT: No report.

PLANNING AND ZONING: Board of Zoning Appeals meeting April 30th at 7:00 p. m re: Patricia Wilson, 315 Johnson Road.

POLICE DEPT: No report.

STREET DEPARTMENT: Bids have been put out for bids to replace the lights on the tennis courts. Total will be about \$12,000.00 complete: poles, wiring and recreational outlets. Leaf pick-up is continuing and cushioning has been installed on all baseball fences.

NIRPC: Previous report on Stimulus Project.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Access La Porte County – fee 2007 & 2008 waived – 2009 GOT Partnership \$2000.00.
2. The late fee for D & M construction was waived for Evergreen Plaza Ditch.
3. Ordinance Violation Bureau.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Change of Refuse collection day, if changes are made it will start in July, Able will do residential notification.
2. Lease of fields – to be discussed at an Executive Board meeting to be held on May 7th, 7:00 p.m.
3. Clerk Anne Dobbs reported that La Porte County Landscaping is donating a flowering crab tree for the front of the office. This is in honor of Arbor Day.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public Comments: No comment

Council Comments: No comment.

Clerk's Comments: No comment.

There being no further business or comments Councilman Jamie Baldwin moved for adjournment at 8:30 p.m. and Councilman Ron Lombard seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Attest:

Anne M. Dobbs, Clerk-Treasurer