

Robert Reinhold / plowing Penney Lane 5:30 pm & still
have not plowed

**Minutes of the Trail Creek Town Council Meeting for:
January 19, 2010**

The regular meeting of the Trail Creek Town Council was held on Tuesday, January 19th, 2010 at the Town Hall, 211 Rainbow Trail, Trail Creek, Indiana. Council members present were Council President Warren Schacht, Councilman Ron Lombard, Councilman John Bayler, Councilman Jeffrey Studtman and Councilman Jamie Baldwin. Clerk/Treasurer Anne Dobbs was absent with Deputy Clerk Cindy Kautz taking her place.

Following presentation of the minutes of the regular Council meeting on December 15th, 2009 Councilman Ron Lombard moved for approval. Councilman Jeff Studtman seconded and the vote was unanimous.

After Deputy Clerk Cindy Kautz presented the Clerk Treasurer's report, Councilman Jamie Baldwin moved for acceptance and Councilman John Bayler seconded. The vote was unanimous.

CLAIMS – Claims against the Town in the amount of SEVENTY SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE DOLLARS and 03/100 (\$77,765.03) were presented. Councilman John Bayler moved for payment and Councilman Jamie Baldwin. The vote was unanimous. The Council questioned where the leaves were going to be dumped next year as the Pawloske property has been sold. The Council asked Street employee Jeff Bruder about the plans for the leaves for next year. Jeff stated that they are considering several places and the Council asked that Street Commissioner to have that ready for the next meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: A Thank You note from Clerk Anne Dobbs was read thanking the Town Council and the Office Staff for their kindness and patience these last six months and for the beautiful floral arrangement.

REPORTS:

ATTORNEY: Attorney William F. Herrbach has continued to try and contact Chris Willoughby regarding the baseball contracts, Mr. Willoughby has not returned his calls. The Town of Trail Creek has received no baseball contracts for the coming year; they have until the February meeting to present the contract to the Town.

Attorney Herrbach stated that he, the building inspector and the resident at 210 Meadowlark met at the residence. The resident was advised that he has an access structure which is not in compliance. Attorney Herrbach notified the resident that has to apply for a building permit and he has until the 1st day of April 2010 to come into compliance.

BUILDING INSPECTOR: Nothing.

ENGINEER: Engineer John Doyle reported bids have gone out and they have been scheduled to be bid on the Coolspring Project on January 27th, 2010 for the Coolspring project. The LaPorte Office of INDOT is in possession of the contract for the project and the stimulus monies. The Roeske/Welnetz project was also discussed again. Council President Warren Schacht stated that he has received an e-mail from Tony Hendricks and Ken Layton.

MS4: Kate Doyle stated that MS4 has allocated funds to hire a new intern for the summer. Between Michigan City and LaPorte, there have been 17 plan reviews which have resulted in \$4100 in fees.

PARK DEPARTMENT: Nothing to report. The next Park Board meeting will be the 2nd Tuesday in February.

PLANNING AND ZONING: An update was given regarding the variance for the residence at 411 Spruce Dr. The variance was granted but was modified so that the resident would put in a two (2) car garage.

POLICE DEPT: Nothing

STREET DEPARTMENT: Street employee Jeff Bruder reported on snow plowing and advised the Town Council that one of the snow plow trucks had an accident involving a truck owned by Dan's Landscaping.

NIRPC Nothing

OLD BUSINESS: The Town of Trail Creek had received the Fire Contract from the Coolspring Fire Department but Attorney Herrbach feels that there may be a possible error in the amounts and he will check into this.

Bids on the Coolspring project were previously discussed.

NEW BUSINESS: Contracts for the Attorney, Engineer and MS4 were accepted and signed.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Clerk's Comments: Chief Deputy Cindy Kautz advised the Trail Creek Council the office will be closed on the 8th day of February for training.

Council Comments: None

There being no further business or comments Councilman Jeffrey Studtman moved for adjournment at 7:40 p.m. and Councilman Ron Lombard seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Attest: _____
Anne M. Dobbs, Clerk-Treasurer