COMMISSIONERS MINUTES 2-23-98

THE COMMISSIONERS MET IN THE CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 301 S. BRANSON STREET, MARION, INDIANA 46952, ON FEBRUARY 23, 1998 AT 8:30 A.M.

IN ATTENDANCE WERE COMMISSIONERS DICK PUCKETT AND WALTER WOOD, AUDITOR JUDY CARMICHAEL, HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT JOHN WEBSTER, CAPTAIN MIKE BACK OF THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT, COMPLEX PROJECT MANAGER TOM PERRY, BILL PEARSON OF AREA PLAN, CHRIS CUNNINGHAM AND CINDI VIRONET OF COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS, COUNCILMAN PAUL BAKER, RANDY MILLER, JOE CERTAIN, RANDY McPIKE OF WBAT AND CATHY KIGHTLINGER OF THE CHRONICLE.

DICK PUCKETT CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 9:05 A.M.

WALTER WOOD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING AND TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL AND THE CURRENT CLAIMS. DICK PUCKETT SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

WALTER WOOD PRESENTED THE MAINTENANCE REPORT FOR THE LAST TWO WEEKS AND MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THEM. DICK PUCKETT SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT JOHN WEBSTER PRESENTED AN AGREEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION FROM BEAM, LONGEST AND NEFF. WALT WOOD MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THIS AGREEMENT. DICK PUCKETT SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED. MR. WEBSTER ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT THE CHANGE ORDER FOR 38TH STREET BETWEEN 400E AND 600E HAD INCREASED BY \$9554.88 AND THAT THE TOTAL OVERRUN FOR THE ENTIRE PROJECT WAS AROUND \$12,000. HE FURTHER STATED THAT THE "D" STREET BRIDGE PROJECT SHOULD BE COMPLETED IN OCTOBER OR NOVEMBER.

COMMISSIONER DAVID GLICKFIELD ENTERED THE MEETING AT 9:15 A.M.

TOM PERRY, COMPLEX PROJECT MANAGER, REPORTED THAT CABINETS ARE IN FOR FLOORS 3 THROUGH 6, FAN COILS HAVE ARRIVED, PAINTERS ARE DOWN TO THE 3RD FLOOR, THE BASEMENT IS COMING ALONG WITH THE FINISHERS AND THAT THEY WOULD SOON BE TAKING BIDS FOR REDECORATION OF THE EXISTING ELEVATORS. HE EXPLAINED THAT THE COMPANY HIRED TO PULL THE NEW ELEVATOR SHAFT UP HAD BURNT UP TWO MOTORS TRYING TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT AND WOULD HAVE TO GET SOME DIFFERENT EQUIPMENT BEFORE TRYING AGAIN.

WALTER WOOD MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BYRON COOK EXCAVATING, INC. BID FOR \$15,000 TOTAL TO REMOVE THE FUEL-OIL TANK AT THE COUNTY COMPLEX AND TWO TANKS FROM THE SEARS PROPERTY. DAVID GLICKFIELD SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED THREE AYES.

WALTER WOOD MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT TIM SELBY AND RALPH WILLIAMS TO 1 YEAR TERMS TO GRANT COUNTY CONVENTION AND VISITORS COMMISSION WITH TERMS ENDING 12-31-1998. DAVID GLICKFIELD SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED THREE AYES.

JOE CERTAIN, REPRESENTING RANDY MILLER AND THE 11 LOT BRENTWOOD SUBDIVISION AT 500E 100S SPOKE REQUESTING VARIANCES FOR STREET LIGHTS, CURBS, SIDEWALKS, TREES, RECREATIONAL AREAS, RIGHT OF WAY FROM 60 FEET TO 50 FEET, STREET WIDTH FROM 26 FEET TO 24 FEET AND THE CULDESAC FROM 800 TO 1800 FEET. BILL PEARSON REPRESENTING AREA PLAN STATED THAT THESE WERE TYPICAL REQUESTS AND MAKE GOOD SENSE. JOHN WEBSTER STATED THAT HE HAD NO PROBLEM WITH THE VARIANCES AND ALSO STATED THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO GET THE MASTER PLAN CHANGED FOR 24 FEET STREET WIDTH. WALTER WOOD ASKED RANDY WHERE THE WATER FROM POND " A" COMES FROM AND HE ANSWERED THAT THE WATER DRAINS UNDER THE ROAD FROM THE SOUTH. DAVID GLICKFIELD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE VARIANCE REQUESTS AND WALTER WOOD SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED THREE AYES.

MANSHIP SURVEYS WERE ON THE AGENDA FOR VARIANCES FOR MICHAEL SUBDIVISION, SECTION II, BUT THEY WERE NOT IN ATTENDANCE.

DAVID GLICKFIELD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE TREASURERS REPORT FOR JANUARY, 1998. WALT WOOD SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED THREE AYES.

DAVID GLICKFIELD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE PROCLAMATION FOR "SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK", MARCH 8TH THROUGH MARCH 14TH. WALT WOOD SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED THREE AYES.

PEGGY HOLLOWAY SPOKE REPRESENTING RAYMOND AND DEBORAH HUGHES ON THEIR PETITION TO VACATE A PORTION OF A PUBLIC WAY, DRIVEWAY ON LINCOLN STREET IN SIMS, INDIANA. MR. PEARSON STATED THE AREA WAS NEVER DEVELOPED AND WAS NEAR A DEAD END AT A RAILROAD. WALTER WOOD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE #3-1998, AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE A PORTION OF THE A PUBLIC WAY - NAMELY LINCOLN STREET IN SIMS, INDIANA. DAVID GLICKFIELD SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED THREE AYES.

CINDI VIRONET, CHRIS CUNNINGHAM AND MIKE BACK SPOKE REGARDING THE SHOWCAP SAFE POLICY. THEY EXPLAINED THAT THE SHOWCAP NETWORK WOOD WORK MORE EFFECTIVELY IF THEY COULD HAVE AN INTERNET PROVIDER. THEY STATED THE SCHOOL HAVE FREE INTERNET ACCESS. THEY AGREED TO DISCONNECT THE 4 PHONE LINES APPROVED FOR THIS PROJECT. ACCESS FEE WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY \$250 TO \$300 MONTHLY. THE COST OF THE 4 FOUR LINES IS APPROXIMATELY \$120 A MONTH. CHRIS EXPLAINED THAT THE INTERNET HAD BEEN LOOKED AT WHEN SHOWCAP FIRST STARTED BUT AT THAT TIME THE COST WAS NEARLY \$1200. THIS MATTER WAS PUT ON HOLD UNTIL BOTH COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS AND THE COMMISSIONERS COULD INVESTIGATE CAPABILITIES, ADVANTAGES AND COST.

AT THIS TIME DR. AZIM NASSIMI ENTERED THE MEETING. HE REPRESENTS COMBINED BENEFIT SERVICES. THIS IS A CAFETERIA TYPE PLAN FOR EMPLOYEE BENEFITS. DR. NASSIMI EXPLAINED THAT IT IS A "ONE MINUTE BENEFIT PLAN", HIS COMPANY WOULD EDUCATE THE EMPLOYEES, COUNTY WOULD SAVE 7.65% ON ANYTHING THE EMPLOYEES TAKE, DUE TO THE PRE-TAX, COUNTY WOULD WITHHOLD AS PAYROLL DEDUCTION, THEY WILL BILL THE COUNTY ONCE A MONTH, AND EMPLOYEE CAN CANCEL AT ANYTIME BUT CAN ALSO TAKE THE PLAN WITH THEM IF THEY GO SOMEWHERE ELSE FOR EMPLOYMENT. DAVID GLICKFIELD MADE A MOTION TO ALLOW COMBINED BENEFIT SYSTEM TO OFFER THEIR BENEFITS BY SENDING PAMPHLETS TO THE EMPLOYEES OF THE COUNTY. WALT WOOD SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED THREE AYES.

WALT WOOD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE GRANT COUNTY LOCAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO APPLY FOR A \$45,000 GRANT. DAVID GLICKFIELD SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED THREE AYES.

THE MEETING WAS RECESSED AT 10:05 A.M.