

**COMMON COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2010  
7:00 P.M.**

Mayor James Fleck – Present  
Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle – Present  
Attorney Lindsey Grossnickle – Present

**Council members**

Walter Crowder – Present  
Nicole Penrod – Present  
Donald Sexton – Present  
Roger Seymoure – Present  
Daniel Weigold – Present

The Columbia City Common Council met in regular session with all members present, Mayor Fleck presiding.

**MINUTES** Motion was made by Sexton to approve an overview of the January 12, 2010 meeting minutes as presented, all voted aye.

**ORDINANCE 2010-1: AMENDMENT TO SEWAGE ORDINANCE FOR GREASE & FAT TRAPS – 2<sup>ND</sup> READING** Motion was made by Weigold to read Ordinance 2010-1 by title only, Penrod second the motion , all voted aye. Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle read Ordinance 2010-1 an ordinance amending Title V, Chapter 51, Sewage Service of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia City, Indiana.

Motion was made by Crowder to approve Ordinance 2010-1 for second and final reading, Sexton second the motion, all voted aye.

**ORDINANCE 2010-3: SEWAGE BOND ORDINANCE – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING** Mayor Fleck explained the ordinance was in conjunction with the financing of the second mandated sewer improvement project as set out in our long range plan. He stated the sewage bond ordinance would be introduced tonight but not acted upon in the sense of final rates. He advised the procedure would be to adopt first reading, Rosie Coyle added after the second reading a notice would have to be published in the newspaper allowing a 20 day objection period. Mayor Fleck did not think the rates would be established until May which was about when they would do the bid letting.

Rosie Coyle explained Ice Miller took 20% of the engineer's estimate to come up with the figures to make sure everything would be covered since they did not know how the bids were going to come in. Roger Seymoure questioned if they took into account the OCRA grant when developing this. Mayor Fleck advised they did but it was not necessarily reflected. He explained this one did not matter where the financing came from. Rosie stated it would have to go through SRF for their review and comments. She stated Exhibit A which was the description of the project would have to be added before the next reading.

Don Sexton confirmed they were basically approving this as an outline and the blank lines on pages 19, 20 & 21 would be filled in after going through the process. Rosie advised that was correct.

Motion was made by Seymoure to read Ordinance 2010-3 by title only, Weigold second the motion, all voted aye. Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle read Ordinance 2010-3 an ordinance of the City of Columbia City authorizing the issuance of sewage works revenue bonds for the purpose of providing funds to pay the cost of certain additions, extensions and improvements to the municipal sewage works of said City, providing for the safeguarding of the interests of the owners of said bonds, other matters connected therewith, including the issuance of notes in anticipation of bonds, and repealing ordinances inconsistent herewith.

Motion was made by Seymoure to approve Ordinance 2010-3 for first reading, Weigold second the motion, all voted aye.

**ONE SIDE STREET PARKING** Dan Weigold advised they needed to have a meeting on the next group of streets. Mayor Fleck questioned which streets would be involved. Rosie Coyle thought it was in the Westgate area. Mayor Fleck questioned if the letter would go out first before making the change. Rosie Coyle explained once the committee decides if there needed to be any changes then the letter would go out notifying the citizens when the first reading would be.

Dan Weigold commended everyone who has been a part of this and felt the process has gone over very well.

Mayor Fleck felt after they complete the process it would behoove them to monitor this in terms of any adjustments that might need to be made.

**PATRIOT GROUP** Terry Smith reported there was a new group formed called the Whitley County Patriot Group and expected someone to attend City Council meetings from here on out.

**MAYOR REPORT** Mayor Fleck reported this week they have been working on the financing of the second phase of the wastewater project. He advised they have been in conversation with the State Revolving Loan Fund with respect to what the rate would be and timing with respect to when this needed to be closed as a loan. He explained they also indicated the unused monies from Phase I the City has elected to use for the lift stations at Main and Jefferson Streets. He advised there would still be in excess of that amount. He stated there would be choices the Council would need to make either to apply it to funding that would assist in the identified Brownfield clean ups. Don Sexton questioned if there had been any progress with the old Dana. Mayor Fleck advised there has but nothing has been approved. Mayor Fleck reported if they do not use those monies for the Brownfield they would be available to apply to the sewer construction Phase II which would affect the rates.

Mayor Fleck reported they were also working with prospective industries who were looking at our City and industries looking to expand operations.

Having no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned.

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Mayor James Fleck

Attest:

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Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle