

ROCKPORT COMMON COUNCIL
JULY 7, 2015 6:00PM

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Connie Hargis, Ferman Yearby, Carol Huff, Chris Brown, Mayor Harold Goffinet, Clerk-Treasurer Susie Roberts and City Attorney Bryan Rudisill. Bob Mack absent.

PLEDGE: The *Pledge of Allegiance* was said by all in attendance.

MINUTES APPROVAL: Chris made a motion to approve the minutes of our previous meeting; Connie seconded the motion. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.

MUSEUM REPORT: Charlie reported that the Freedom Fest was a big success. The shingle mill was discussed and he reported that they are very hard to find but he will continue to look for one.

PAVING QUOTES IF AVAILABLE: We have yet to receive quotes from Rudolph or E & B Paving.

VACATING PROPERTY ALONG S 6TH ST: City attorney, Bryan Rudisill, stated that this would not be “vacating” property but selling property. To sell it we would have to go through the required legal process. We will check with the adjoining neighbor to see how interested they are before we proceed with this.

TREE FUND INCREASE: Ferman made a motion to transfer \$10,300 from the AEP Fund to the Tree Fund; Connie seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

PUBLIC HEARING NOON ON JULY 13TH FOR OWNER OCCUPIED GRANT: On Monday, July 13th, we will be having a public hearing at city hall for the owner occupied grant. Tony Pappano would like to have a special meeting on July 14th at 1:30 to sign a resolution for the owner occupied grant.

OLD BUSINESS: Dillon Building-nothing new; **CSO project**-Blankenberger will begin working on our project next week; **Adjacent Cemetery Property**-Bryan Rudisill reported that it is owned by the Martha Sue Densdorff Trust in Evansville. It was suggested that Bryan contact the Trust to see if they might be interested in selling the property to the city.

NEW BUSINESS: The utility clerk, Andrea Lester, appeared before the council to discuss the possibility of upgrading our water meter system. The meters we are currently using are now obsolete and we will have to find a different meter. The proposed meters could give us an hourly reading-if necessary. This would potentially help the property owner in the event of a high read. Ferman made a motion to table this; Carol seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was approved. **Budget meeting** – a budget meeting was scheduled for July 23rd at 5 pm.

SIGN CLAIMS: Claims were signed.

ADJOURNMENT: Carol made a motion to adjourn; Ferman seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was approved.