

ROCKPORT COMMON COUNCIL
October 1, 2013, 2013 6:00PM

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

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

MINUTES APPROVAL: Chris made a motion to approve the minutes from our regular meeting held on September 3, 2013; Bob seconded the motion. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.

CHARLIE FINECY MUSEUM UPDATE: Charlie appeared before the council and reported to them about the past months' activities. The rendezvous will be the weekend of October 26 and 27th. He is still waiting on another quote for security cameras for the museum and village. He also mentioned that they should start filming in November for an upcoming movie.

CSO UPDATE/JOHN WETZEL: John Wetzel, with Midwestern Engineers, appeared before the council to update them on the status of the CSO. He explained that we will need to address the overflow problems caused from heavy rains. The first thing we can do is to remove some storm inlets. One problem occurs when the river is high – it can run back into our system. Also, our Fifth St. lift station is “undersized” and creates problems when we have a heavy rain event. A couple of suggestions were to get bigger pumps at the lift station or have a holding basin that would allow us to pump it over a longer period of time. He also mentioned that the Fifth Street lift station will need to have some renovations done to it. He wants to set a meeting in mid-October with city personnel and IDEM to discuss some issues with them. Harold requested that some of the council members attend this meeting, if possible.

AUTO PARTS BUILDING APPRAISALS: Mayor Goffinet mentioned that if we are going to sell the Auto Parts building we will need to get appraisals done. There are three separate addresses for this property and we will need to have an appraisal done for each address. We will have to get two appraisals and take the average value of the two before we can solicit bids on it. We will need to appraise each building individually and all three of them together. Carol made a motion to have Rob Schulte and Ron Magnus perform appraisals on this property; Connie seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion approved.

GENTRY BUILDING WALL: Mayor Goffinet just received information from Betsy, with Kiva, regarding the shoring up of the Gentry Building wall. He would like to have Betsy come in and get with Terry Davis and Phil Brown, building inspector, so they can look at the interior of the building and come up with a time frame to make the necessary repairs. This will allow us to prepare an agreement with the property owners. Chris made a motion to allow the mayor to make a decision on how we proceed with the

shoring of the wall; Bob seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

BUDGET ADOPTION: This is our second public hearing for the 2014 budget. There was no one in attendance with questions regarding the budget. Carol made a motion to adopt the 2014 budget, Ordinance 2013-8; Connie seconded the motion. All were in favor and the budget was adopted.

SALARY ORDINANCE: Carol made a motion to approve the Salary Ordinance, 2013-9; Chris seconded the motion. All were in favor and the salary ordinance was approved.

OLD BUSINESS: We received estimates for street paving from Rudolph, E & B Paving and Hunter Paving. It was determined in the Board of Public Works meeting that Hunter Paving will be disallowed because they did not provide us with the required information. The Board of Public Works chose the lowest bid, which was E & B Paving for \$124,500. Chris made a motion to accept E & B Paving's bid, without the paving in the park; Bob seconded the motion. Chris and Bob were in favor and Connie and Carol were opposed. The motion failed due to a tie. Carol made a motion to accept all of E & B Paving's bid; Connie seconded the motion. Carol and Connie were in favor and Chris and Bob were opposed. The motion failed due to a tie. It was decided to have a special meeting on October 15, 2013 at 4:30.

NEW BUSINESS: There was none.

CLAIMS: Claims were signed.

ADJOURNMENT: Carol made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Bob seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.