

TOWN OF LOGANSPORT
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
October 12, 2010

The regular meeting of the Logansport Town Council was held Tuesday, October 12, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber with Mayor Katherine Freeman presiding. Council members present: Norman Arbuckle, Douglas Guillotte, June Hooper, Deborah Roberts, and Edith Williams.
Absent: None.

The meeting opened with the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Kavon Robbins, Director of DeSoto Parish Animal Control and Mary Carter invited the Council to the Grand Opening of the new Animal Control Shelter tentatively scheduled for the second week in November. Mrs. Robbins passed out copies of the newly adopted Animal Control ordinance of DeSoto Parish and the Animal Facility Fee Schedule. She asked the Council members to review both and if they have any questions, not to hesitate in contacting her.

With a motion from Mr. Arbuckle and second from Mrs. Hooper, the minutes were approved as written. All ayes.

General fund bills were approved with a motion from Mrs. Williams and second from Mr. Arbuckle. All ayes.

Utility fund bills were approved with a motion from Mr. Arbuckle and second from Mrs. Hooper. All ayes.

Mary M. Thompson, Chairman of Planning & Zoning presented the Commission's report. She stated P&Z would call for a public hearing to be held Tuesday, November 9, 2010 to discuss the rezoning of certain property located along Highway 5 North from LR-2 District to LC/I. This would allow for additional commercial development within the Town's corporate limits. Mrs. Thompson also stated that Town attorney, Neil Erwin, will proceed with litigation on the A&P building at 201 Main St. There were four defendants in Code Enforcement Court.

1. Brandy Worsham—Given one additional month to complete cleanup of property at 1300 Gum St due to illness.
2. Doug & Eva Shook—Cleanup at 904 Price St should be completed by next month.
3. Helen Bolden—Waiting on assessment by representative of property on Mill Road.
4. Jennifer Scruggs/David Dowling—Check ownership of property at 302 Elm Street. Also, P&Z recommends advertising for bids to demolition property and then place lien on property to recoup expenses at some future date.

Motion was made by Arbuckle and second by Mrs. Hooper to advertise for demolition of the property located at 302 Elm Street. All ayes.

Upon recommendation of P&Z, an earlier motion to tear down buildings located at 110 & 112 Third Street was rescinded with a motion from Mr. Arbuckle and second from Mrs. Williams. All ayes.

With a motion from Mrs. Williams and second from Mr. Arbuckle, it was approved to advertise for bids to repair buildings at 110 & 112 Third Street. All ayes.

A resolution was adopted to change Halloween “Trick or Treating” within the corporate limits of Logansport from Sunday, October 31 to Saturday night, October 30, 2010. All ayes.

With a motion from Mrs. Williams and second from Mr. Arbuckle, a resolution was adopted to support Amendment 2—Decreasing the amount of taxes retained by the state on the severance of natural resources, other than sulfur, lignite, and timber, and to increase the maximum amount of such revenues which are remitted to the parish governing authority from where the severance occurs. All ayes.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned with a motion from Mr. Arbuckle and second from Mrs. Hooper. All ayes.

Sharon Stewart, Town Clerk

Katherine Freeman, Mayor