

## MINUTES FOR THE MARCH 21, 2011, 2011 COUNCIL MEETING

Emilia Feldman Clerk of Council

**Ron Garver** called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**Council members present:** Ron Garver, Sheila Nelson, Randy Otis, Cory Coburn, Doug Eakins, Steve Johnston and Jim King. Also attending were Mayor Darlene Steele, Assistant Finance Director Anita Thompson, Director of Public Service, Harold Walker and Clerk of Council, Emilia Feldman

**Prayer** by Doug Eakins

**Pledge of Allegiance** led by Doug Eakins

**Motion to adopt the agenda** with the addition of two resolutions and an executive session by Mr. Otis and Mrs. Nelson

*Roll Call-All Yeas*

**Motion to adopt the minutes** of the March 3, 2011 Council meeting by Mrs. Nelson and seconded by Mr. King

*Roll Call-All Yeas*

**Recognition of Guests: Sean Hughes** of the Madison County CIC explained the two added resolutions regarding FedEx Freight and Duke Realty

**Old Business (none)**

**New Business:** (next available number 11-016)

**Resolution 11-017** A resolution authorizing a supplemental appropriation to the Street Contractual Services Fund (2011-620-300-0000) in the amount of \$35,000.000 for asphalt patching.

*Discussion:* Mr. Walker explained that there were several intersections in the Village that need to be fixed. He said that we would be getting quotes on the cost.

**Motion** by Mr. Otis and Seconded by Mr. Coburn

*Roll Call – All Yeas*

**Resolution 11-018** a resolution adopting a recommendation of the West Jefferson Tax Incentive Review Council in regards to FedEx Freight.

*Discussion:* Mr. Hughes explained that the current wording of the legislation needed to be modified. Ron Parsons suggested a motion to add the CRAs to this legislation. Mr. Garver said that separate legislation will be done at the next meeting regarding Jefferson Industries and Target.

**Motion** by Mr. Otis and seconded by Mr. Coburn.

*Roll Call – All yeas*

**Resolution 11-019** a resolution adopting a recommendation of the West Jefferson Tax Incentive Review Council in regards to Duke Realty

*Discussion:* Mr. Hughes explained that this project has created 243 jobs and has exceeded 10,000,000.00 in payroll.

**Motion** by Mrs. Nelson and seconded by Mr. Otis

**Motion for an executive session** with the Law Director to discuss development and personnel issues by Mrs. Nelson and seconded by Mr. Otis at 7:35 pm

**Motion to return from executive session** by Mrs. Nelson and Mr. King at 8:25pm

**Ordinance 11-020**, and ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the Village of West Jefferson to sign, execute and deliver an easement over the Village real estate, more fully described in a copy of the easement and declaring it an emergency.

*Discussion:* none

**Motion** by Mr. Coburn and seconded by Mr. Otis

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance:** None

**Police:** None

**Employee Benefits:** None

**Public Service:** Minutes from the last meeting.

**Development:** None

**Parks and Recreation:** None

**Special Events:** None

**Director of Finance Report:** None

**Director of Public Service Report:** We need a new copier for the police department and Village offices. The current Police copier is not working properly and copies are of poor quality. The offices copy machine is old and it is getting harder to find parts when it breaks down. This issue will go to the Finance Committee.

**Director of Parks and Recreation Report:** Absent

**Mayor's Report and Recognition:** The Mayor has spoken to several groups including the WJCA and local businesses about the Revitalization Project. It may be an inconvenience during construction but will be nice when it is finished.

**Recognition of Clerk and Council:** The Clerk will advertise the public hearing notice regarding Planning and Zoning. Miss Feldman also mentioned that her colleague Dorreen Snell will be retiring from the Water Department on May 31 and we will need to hire someone to work in the department. Mr. Walker said that it will be discussed at the next public service meeting.

**Additional Business:** Mr. Eakins had concerns about the traffic flow when coming from the east into town, and suggested that the traffic signals should be changed. It was confirmed that the SR 40 and 142 light will be synchronized with the others.

Mr. King asked if there was any more information about the lift at Village Hall. Mr. Walker never received any information back from the people who took measurements. We will need a new lift because it is getting harder to find parts for our current lift. He also mentioned that in the past we have had problems with buying outdated or experimental equipment. Although it may be cheaper at the time, we end up paying more for it in the end.

**Motion to pay the bills** by Mr. Johnston and seconded by Mr. Garver

*Roll Call- All Yeas*

**Motion to approve "Then and Now" Certificates over \$3,000.00** by Mr. Johnston and Mrs. Nelson

*Roll Call- All Yeas*

**Motion to adjourn at 8:55 P.M.** by Mrs. Nelson and seconded by Mr. Eakins

All Yeas

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Clerk of Council

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President of Council