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**CALL TO ORDER:** Council President Rod Thobe called to order the Regular Council Meeting on April 19, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. at the Village of Fort Recovery Council Meeting Room.

**Roll call was conducted** with the following Council members present: Rod Thobe, Scott Pearson, Allen Post, Dave Garman Dave Kaup and Dave Bretz.

**Also Present:** Randy Diller, Dave Bruns, Jared Laux, Bill Collins, PG Jellison, Roger Lennartz, Josh Gaerke, Ivan Kaffenberger, Jason Thobe and Roberta Staugler.

R Thobe led the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer.

Reports to Council, Village Administrator Report, Purchasing Card Policy Draft, Underspeed Vehicles information.

**Minutes:** S Pearson made a motion to accept the April 5, 2010 minutes. This motion was seconded by A Post. Vote All Yes.

Roberta Staugler presented the March 2010 Bank Reconciliation for approval.

**RESOLUTIONS**

2010-23 A RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER \$4,100.00 FROM WATER REVENUE FUND TO WATER BOND RETIREMENT FUND A Motion by D Bretz seconded by D Kaup to suspend the rules for three readings. Vote All Yes. A motion by S Pearson Seconded by A Post to pass RESOLUTION 2010-23. Vote All Yes

2010-24 A RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER \$96,504.55 FROM THE INDUSTRIAL PARK IMPROVEMENT FUND TO THE INDUSTRIAL PARK DEBT SERVICE FUND. A Motion by D Bretz seconded by D Kaup to suspend the rules for three readings. Vote All Yes. A Motion by A Post seconded by S Pearson to pass RESOLUTION 2010-24. Vote All Yes.

2010-25 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2010 APPROPRIATIONS A Motion by D Bretz seconded by D Kaup to suspend the rules for three readings. Vote All Yes. A Motion by D Garman seconded by S Pearson to pass RESOLUTION 2010-25. Vote All Yes.

2010-26 A RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER \$10,000.00 FROM THE INCOME TAX FUND TO THE WATER CAPITAL FUND. A Motion by D Bretz seconded by D Kaup to suspend the rules for three readings. Vote All Yes. A Motion by A Post seconded by D Garman to pass RESOLUTION 2010-26. Vote All Yes.

**ORDINANCES**

2010-03 AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH COURT FEES FOR FORT RECOVERY POLICE DEPARTMENT. A Motion by D Kaup seconded by D Garman to Pass the Ordinance to the third reading. Vote All Yes.

Poll for visitor comment: **Bill Collins** spoke to inform Council that a Re-enactment Training Camp will be held at Ambassador Park on May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. This will allow residents to train new recruits and to show village residents a sample of what will be offered at the September Civil War at the Fort. There will be approximately 100-150 participants. Jared stated that the Ammunition Ordinance states that there is no issue with theatrical and educational live firing of ammunition as long as the Village is aware of it. **Ivan Kaffenberger** spoke on behalf of the Ambassadors. The Tractor Pull will be moved this year from August to July 30<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup>. Also, questions have been raised by out of town tractor pullers if they can use their golf carts, gators and other underspeed vehicles uptown during the weekend of the Tractor Pull because some have only their semi-tractor. Participants have said they would like to go uptown to make purchases but since they are not allowed they stop and shop before they arrive. Also, they cannot carry tires or batteries from uptown to the park. Roger Lennartz stated that participants must register their vehicles with the Ambassadors which lists restrictions of use of vehicles to one hour after pull is over. Participants that want to go up town must be registered with Ambassadors. Can participants go uptown and cross main roads? Bill stated the money generated helps businesses. R Thobe stated that Portland allows visitors to use

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USV's during the Flea Market. The rules are not followed and they block traffic etc. Jared stated that we are not a golf cart community. Only licensed golf carts are permitted. Gators are illegal. Ivan asked if the law was changed today. Jared was not aware that it was. Concerns are that if we allow it for out of towners for a week then residents will want to do it the rest of the year, complaints have been received. D Bretz asked who has complained. Question was raised if we allow USV's during the Parade then why can't we bend the rules for the two day tractor pull? Jared stated that during the parade the street is closed. **Roger Broerman arrived at 7:45 pm.** Ivan asked that we use the grey area for two days a year. S Pearson stated that he walked from his house to the grocery and it took five minutes. Roger Lennartz stated that they have received 30 complaints from tractor pullers a list of names has been kept. The Mayor stated that Council will discuss it and let the Ambassadors know what is decided. PG Jellison suggested that Jared check with Jay County to see how it is handled for the Flea Market. The Mayor asked Jared and Council to take a look at the park so that it can be discussed at the next meeting. Jared stated that the Park Board approved the National Night Out for July 25<sup>th</sup>. Also information was passed out about NIXEL. A new method for giving out community announcements, road closing etc. Brandon will be attending a two day evidence class. Broadway street property has been raked up, not yet picked up. First Street property has not yet been cleaned up and now has a bus parked in the yard. Mayor asked Jared to send a letter. Police will be handling security for the Fort Recovery Prom. A speed trailer was looked at last week with St Henry Police Dept with intention of sharing in cost and use. Cost would be \$9,500. Police Dept will see if they can obtain grants and donations. The speed trailer would be used all the time on all streets. **R Diller Village Administrator reported on the following Street/Sewer Separation Project:** Work moving along with difficulties. The progress meeting which is required by USDA was held last week, USDA did not show up. Meetings will be changed to the second Thursday of each month at 10:00am. Today a hydrant was moved on Wigg Street. Due to carelessness a valve was blown off the line. We lost 60,000 gallon of water in twelve minutes. Talked to Ryan about staying one step ahead of the crew so he can tell them what needs to be done. Will begin on the North end of Wayne next week. Sanitary line between Center & Milligan is moving along. Discussed at progress meeting about quality and peripherals. Need to respect property and clean up. Hoping to have pipe in ground by June, curb and black top by end of June. Plan to finish sidewalks when streets are open. We will discuss the brick street at the May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Price will be held on the brick, no deadline for decision except for letting VTF LLC know as soon as we decide. Will begin working uptown Wed under the stop light. A detour will be needed for a short period of time. Will also begin boring water line through the culvert next week. D Kaup asked if they would replace sidewalks in right of way for the businesses. Randy said that they would at cost for business. **Water Plant:** EPA permit request was filed last Friday. When we get approval we will begin work on the pad. Choice One will begin work on NPEDS permit. Additional survey work not originally planned is needed. This will increase the contract to \$5,270.00. **Park Work Day:** scheduled for May 1<sup>st</sup> may be cancelled. May refer anyone that wants to work that day to the Historical Society. Linda S will have football players help mulch Monument Park. **Zoning:** A Zoning meeting will be held April 28<sup>th</sup> for a request by Mark Bruns to add roof over porch. **Tree Commission:** Tree City award will be received this week. To talk to Dave about agreement for residents to sign concerning trees being planted in right of way. **Research Committee:** To meet May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:15pm at the Water Plant prior to the Council Meeting. **Purchasing Card Policy:** Draft Ordinance and policy was reviewed. Final will be presented at next meeting for approval. **DPLER Energy:** Met with them last week. Energy choice has been an option since 2000. No one has been able to compete with DP&L Rates. They are now offering Municipalities a 10% discount on production costs. This would save FR \$4,000. thru the end of 2012. We are probably a year away from when other companies start offering lower contracts. Randy does not see a down side to signing a contract with DPLER. Recommended signing a contract

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when the confidentiality clause has been removed. Contract must be signed by May 7<sup>th</sup>. **R Thobe made a motion to authorize R Diller to enter into a contract with DPLER. D Garman seconded the motion. Vote all Yes.** Motion carried. **Sanitary Sewer:** We are conducting a town wide audit. We have a few businesses that are not getting billed. Will begin starting more tests on sewage discharge. Some businesses have been sliding by. Also are reviewing a rate increase for the Sewer Debt Fund to cover the Sewer Loan. **Truck Purchase:** Have begun looking at options to replace the ton truck and the park truck which was wrecked. A settlement of approximately \$2,800 will be received. **Wabash Communications:** The Federal Government can't do anything until Grant paperwork has been signed. Hope to be complete by EOM. **Lagoons:** Met with new consultant on the Lagoons. Part of the problem is M & R Eggs. Most things to improve lagoons are not a lot of money up front.

**Around the table;** D Kaup asked if the town could purchase two homes uptown across from the Pharmacy to tear down for parking lots. Randy stated this has never been done.

**Council reviewed Vouchers** #19970 thru #20008 including Then and Now Certificates. A Post made a motion to approve vouchers presented with a second by S Pearson. Vote All Yes.

**Dave Kaup made a motion to adjourn** the meeting with a second by R Thobe Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM

Attest:

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Roberta Staugler, Fiscal Officer

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Roger Broerman, Mayor