

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
January 14, 2008
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on January 14, 2008 at 6:30pm. Council members present were Bernard Thompson and Dale Henry. Town Council Member Clyde Scott was not present because he was attending a IACT Conference in Indianapolis as was Clerk Treasurer, Kristy York.

The first order of business was to organize for the 2008 year. Bernard made a motion to appoint Dale Henry as Council President. Dale Henry accepted the position. The monthly meeting for the 2008 schedule will remain on the second Monday of each month at 6:30pm.

The Council then motioned to accept the following minutes as submitted by the Clerk. Dale Henry made the 1st motion for the December 10 regular minutes. Bernard Thompson made the second. Mick Taylor was unable to attend the Dec. 10th meeting. Dale Henry made a motion to approve the December 27 year end minutes. Bernard Thompson made a second to that motion. Dale Henry was not in attendance at year-end meeting.

Next water adjustments were discussed and Dale Henry made the motion, and Bernard Thompson seconded approval of the following adjustments.

WATER ADJUSTMENTS APPROVED						
JANUARY 2008 READINGS COVER 11/15/2007 - 12/15/2007						
NAME	ACCT#	PROBLEM	GALLONS USED	AMOUNT W/LEAK	ADJUST AMOUNT	NEW AMOUNT
KIM PERRY	10497002	CARRY OVER	6600	93.44	-46.34	47.10
KIM PERRY	10497002	TOILET LEAK	9800	133.84	-86.74	47.10
KATHY SKELTON	32670000	TOILET LEAK	6200	81.23	-30.29	50.94
NAZARENE CHURCH	22339200	TOILET LEAK	18300	219.45	-187.45	32.00
CHRIS&ANGEL RICHARDSON	10475102	TOILET LEAK	15300	187.25	-108.35	78.90
DAVID PLUMER	10532001	CARRY OVER	5600	29.68	-19.08	10.60
				\$744.89	-\$478.25	\$266.64

The council heard from Mr. Joe Godwin, a resident of 302 N. First Street in regard to the semi trucks using jake brakes in town. He asked if the town could implement an ordinance against the use of the brakes. Mr. Druley, Town Attorney, said he would research the issue and inform the council at the next meeting.

The council made a decision to accept the maintenance contract with Xerox on the 4118 copier, fax, and printer. The contract will be for one year at \$15.00 per month; this will have full service maintenance included, but supplies will be purchased separately.

The Council was presented a letter from the Gibson County Chamber of Commerce; they are requesting that one of our council members be appointed to their Board of Directors. With Clyde Scott not in attendance this matter was tabled until the February meeting.

Next the Council was updated on some general transfers of funds that were made, the total amount for the year was \$19,356.06, and no resolution was needed because all transfers were made within the same department. The Park & Rec. transfers made are outlined in Resolution 2007- . At the December 10, 2007 meeting the council approved the purchase of a generator for use at the sewer plant in the amount of \$8,000. Since then, Clay City has called Dean and asked him to pay the cost to

remove the generator. Dean requested an additional \$500 from the sewer fund to use toward the generator. The Council unanimously approved the additional money.

The Park Board voted at it's January meeting to take over the mowing at the Community Center Property. Bernard Thompson made a motion and Dale Henry seconded the motion to turn responsibility over to Park & Rec. Board.

Dean has received 2 of the 3 requested quotes for repairs to the garage located at the sewer plant. Douglas Construction bid \$3,137.16 and Denning Bros. Construction bid \$3,556.44. Quotes will be forwarded to Downy Insurance.

The Council made a motion to pay the following claims in the total of \$46,412.37.

General Fund Claims:	\$26,266.80
Water Fund Claims:	\$8,961.85
Sewer Fund Claims:	\$11,183.72

With a 1st motion from Bernard Thompson and a 2nd from Dale Henry, the above claims will be paid for January.

The following items were also discussed:

- The time & temperature sign has gone on the blink. The Clerk is trying to find someone to repair while also gathering information to replace. The office is awaiting all information before presentation can be made.
- The Council was briefed on a phone call received from Southern Indiana Rail @ Howell Yard in Evansville. The called explained to the Clerk that there had been some talk about opening the rail line from Cynthiana to Owensville back up. Steve from Southern Indiana Rail wanted to alert the Town in hopes of sparking some interest for the idea. He stated that the more people that would be willing to use the rail, the easier it would be to reopen.
- Outstanding warrants dating back to 2005 will be receipted back into the fund they were originally written as per IC 5-11-10.5. \$116.98 will be receipted into the General Fund along with \$77.81 going back into the Water Fund.
- Randy stated that a phosphate pump was replaced at the water plant.
- Encumbrances will be made in 2008 for the following items that were purchased in 2007 but not paid.

Lewis Hardware (REH Bathrooms)	\$ 3,000.00	401001422
Tri-State Communications	\$,1,859.01	101003442
Daviess County Metal Sales, Inc.	\$25,862.00	444001423

Rodger submitted his monthly report.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:20p.m. The next meeting will be February 11, 2008 at 6:30p.m.

TOWN COUNCIL OF OWENSVILLE

DALE HENRY, PRESIDENT

BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

ABSENT

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
February 11, 2008
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on February 11, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm. All council members (Dale Henry, Bernard Thompson, and Clyde Scott) were present.

Bernard made a motion to accept the January 14, minutes as submitted by the Clerk. Clyde made a second to the motion. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

The Council made a motion to pay February claims totaling \$112,101.17.

General Fund Claims: \$52,980.18
Water Fund Claims: \$21,128.67
Sewer Fund Claims: \$37,992.32

With a 1st motion from Clyde and a 2nd from Bernard, the above claims will be paid.

Next water adjustments were discussed. Bernard made a first motion, with Clyde seconding the motion. All council members voted to approve the following adjustments.

WATER ADJUSTMENTS APPROVED

FEBRUARY 2008 READINGS COVER 12/15/2007 - 01/15/2008

NAME	ACCT #	PROBLEM	GALLONS USED	AMOUNT W/LEAK	PROPOSED ADJUSTMENT	NEW AMOUNT
Betty Coleman	54025	<u>misread meter</u>	2400	\$20.67	(\$10.07)	\$10.60
LORETTA McCLANAHAN	10274000	<u>misread meter</u>	3500	\$101.04	(\$51.26)	\$49.78
Kathy Skelton	32760000	toilet leak-carryover	7400	\$95.21	(\$24.47)	\$70.75
Donnie Schmitt	32970000	<u>Water heater leak</u>	21400	\$258.31	(\$167.76)	\$90.55
JENNIFER LUSH	10291200	TOILET LEAK	15000	\$183.75	(\$100.19)	\$83.56
SUE WHITEHEAD	22027102	HYDRANT BUSTED	7900	\$101.04	(\$41.94)	\$59.10
RICHARD JONES RENT HOUSE	11230200	FROZEN PIPES-BUSTED	7000	\$90.55	(\$58.25)	\$32.30
PAUL DOUGLAS	480100000	OUTSIDE LEAK	34100	\$186.06	(\$150.42)	\$35.64
DALE GAYSO	32975000	POOL LEAK	15500	\$189.58	(\$96.30)	\$93.28
DONNA SPADE	10495203	WATER HEATER VALVE	12000	\$148.80	(\$108.35)	\$40.46
LOGAN THOMPSON	21505102	TOILET LEAK	9000	\$113.85	(\$58.25)	\$55.60
TOTALS				\$1,488.86	(\$867.24)	\$621.62

Town residents Kenny and Cathy Jackson of 206 W. Montgomery Street were present to discuss an issue with an outdoor wood burner in their neighborhood. Mr. Jackson explained that there are times when the wood burner discharges smokes which blanket the neighborhood. The smoke is such an issue that he truly believes it could be a health issue. Mr. Jackson has talked to the neighbor on two different occasions and at this point he is just wondering if there is anything the town can do. Dale stated that he was aware of the problem and he too had talked to the neighbor in regard to the problem. Dale stated that he felt the neighbor was working on the issue and the Town should allow him more time.

Joe Godwin was present again to discuss the “jake brake” issue. Ray Druley, Town Attorney, drafted an ordinance and he has been researching the issue. Ray feels the ordinance could be a potential liability for the Town. Another concern of Ray’s is whether the Town can regulate the brakes on a state highway. The ordinance drafted did not impose a penalty, as Ray wanted the Council to set the amount. By a first motion from Bernard followed by a second from Clyde, the Town asked Ray to add a section to the ordinance that included a penalty of \$100. Dale will ask Town Marshal, Rodger Leister to contact the state regarding posting the brake issue on a state highway.

Clyde agreed to represent the Town as the ex-officio member of the Council on the Gibson County Chamber of Commerce. Clyde explained to the other council members that there is a \$100 fee for the Town to join the commerce. By a first motion from Bernard followed by a second from Dale, the Town will pay for the membership.

Clyde asked the other council members if they would care if he asked the Fire Chief to attend meetings of the Council. Clyde hopes to develop an emergency disaster plan for the Town and feels that the Fire Chief should help in the development. The Council agreed that it would be a good idea for the Chief to attend the Council meetings.

Proposals were submitted to the Council in regard to the Time and Temp Sign. The Clerk has been told by many of the Companies that the cost of repairing the current sign could be more than the cost of a new sign. Also, an LED sign would be much more cost effective. Most all of the companies quoted \$65 just to look at the sign. The Council agreed that they might rather look at the cost of replacement. That cost came in as follows:

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>COST OF TIME & TEMP SIGN</u>	<u>COST OF A MESSAGE CENTER</u>
Alvey Sign	\$6097.25	
Custom Sign	\$5260.00	\$16,892.00
Husk Sign		\$11,600.00
Hank Sign	\$6936.03	\$ 7,643.13

By a first motion from Bernard, followed by a second from Clyde, the Council unanimously voted to install a new sign. The council accepted the lowest bid from Custom Sign in the amount of \$5260.00.

Next the Council unanimously voted to move forward on the renovations of the REH restrooms. The Council voted at the year end meeting to approve the estimate to renovate the Ladies restroom. Now the council will look at the estimate to renovate the men’s restrooms. The REH Board submitted an estimate in the amount of \$3421.94. With a first motion from Bernard, followed by a second from Clyde, the Council voted to approve the renovations. In addition to that approval, they also approved the contribution that Rosemeyer agency has proposed. Rosemeyer has offered to provide the money in excess of the Town’s \$6000 budget, which would amount to \$1239.50.

Other issues discussed include:

- Jeff Bright turned in his keys to the Medical Building on January 30, 2008.
- Bonar Group will be here on Monday, February 18, 2008 at 4:30pm to make a presentation regarding the Comprehensive Plan.
- The Council looked at pictures of a mobile home which they consider to be a hazard. All of the siding has been removed from the mobile home, leaving it open. The council is concerned that a child may enter the property and get injured. Ray asked the Clerk for some information and he will draft a letter and request a public hearing at the next regular meeting.
- John Barrett requested information to purchase a sign for Barrett Lane. The Clerk checked on the cost and Dean has looked at the area. Dean believes a sign for Brummitt Street should be purchased in addition to the Barrett Lane sign. The Council agreed and stated that since they had purchased the sign for Shady Lane, they would purchase this sign also.
- The Clerk scheduled this year’s Cleanup Day for May 10, 2008, the Council approved.
- The Clerk also asked the Council to be thinking along the lines of the uniforms, as the Aramark Contract will expire in April.

- The Clerk explained that the Annual Report was complete and copies could be provided upon request.
- Rodger and Jason requested permission to attend a seminar in Indianapolis at a total cost of \$536.30. The Council approved. The Council was also briefed on the modem, which was ordered and encumbered at the year end meeting. Tri-State Communications informed the Sheriff's Department that they have been unsuccessful in ordering that particular modem, as it is no longer being manufactured. The new modem will cost approximately \$2500 instead of the \$1859.01 which was encumbered.
- Dean was unable to attend this meeting and asked the Clerk to relay to the Council the need for the critical inventory parts as stated in the Sewer Agreed Order. Those parts are a pump for the Highway 168 Lift station and a pump for the Sewer Plant. Straeffer Pump has made a quote totaling \$12,753.00. The Council would like to see Dean get a couple more quotes prior to purchase, however agreed that the purchase was necessary.
- The Clerk submitted a Conflict of Interest Statement, which is required by Indiana Code. The reason for the conflict of interest statement being because her husband mows for the Park and Recreation Department.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:35p.m. The next meeting will be March 10, 2008 at 6:30p.m.

TOWN COUNCIL OF OWENSVILLE

DALE HENRY, PRESIDENT

BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
March 10, 2008
6:00 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on March 10, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 6:03pm. All council members (Dale Henry, Bernard Thompson, and Clyde Scott) were present.

The first item on the agenda was David Benefiel from Bonar Group. The meeting was moved to 6:00pm in order for Bonar Group to make a presentation regarding the Comprehensive Plan. David educated everyone in attendance about the comp plan, why the community needs the plan, and what is in it. He addressed questions and concerns from the audience such as:

- Would the plan help the Town recruit businesses?
- What % of the state and/or Southwest Indiana has a comp plan?
- Since the biggest part of the Town's development is outside of the Town, what will the Council do in regard to encompassing the 2 mile radius?
- What % of towns develops Comp Plans without moving into zoning?
- Will you define zoning?
- How do we get people to the Comp Plan Workshop?

After addressing the audience's concerns, which was approximately one hour and fifteen minutes later, the Town Council continued with their business.

Bernard made a motion to accept the February 11 minutes as submitted by the Clerk. Clyde made a second to the motion. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote. Next Clyde made a motion to approve the February 18 minutes as submitted. Bernard made a second to that motion followed by 3 ayes.

The Council made a motion to pay March claims totaling \$140,247.99.

General Fund Claims:	\$97,100.51
Water Fund Claims:	\$19,433.24
Sewer Fund Claims:	\$23,714.24

With a 1st motion from Clyde and a 2nd from Bernard, the above claims will be paid.

Next the Council unanimously approved an Ordinance to establish an Advisory Plan Commission. By a first motion from Bernard followed by a second from Clyde, a Planning Commission will be formed. Next the Council approved a Resolution to establish and appoint Planning Commission members. Clyde made a first motion to appoint: Bernard Thompson, Randy Dike, Jack Light, Mary Jane Barrett, Larry York, Denny Simpson, and Bart Newton to this commission. Bernard followed the motion with a second. The appointments were unanimously approved and certified by the Clerk Treasurer. Bonar Group will conduct a community workshop on April 3, 2008 at the Community Center. After short discussion, it was decided that the workshop should begin at 7:00pm.

Terry Hedges the Emergency Disaster Director from Gibson County was on hand to discuss the importance of putting an emergency preparedness plan together. He explained that the Council needs to make a decision on who will be in charge in the event that all council members are involved in an accident. He stated that April 29 & 30 there will be a workshop that all elected officials should plan to attend in Jasper at the Jasper Inn beginning at 8am. The workshop is free and he felt that all will find very interesting and educating.

OMTFPD Fire Chief, Jeff Roberts, gave a presentation regarding the fire department. He stated that the Fire Dept. conducts 2-3 trainings per month, however, the department is volunteer and sometimes hard to coordinate those events with everyone. Jeff stated that the department is also working with Mr. Hedges to get all firemen certified on the "National Incident Command System". In the very near future the department will team up with businesses to conduct tours and acquaint all firemen with the structures. While in the building they will be addressing safety issues.

Water adjustments were discussed. Bernard made a first motion, with Clyde seconding the motion. All council members voted to approve the following adjustments.

WATER ADJUSTMENTS APPROVED

March 2008 READINGS COVER 01/15/2008 - 02/15/2008

NAME	ACCT #	PROBLEM	GALLONS USED	AMOUNT W/LEAK	PROPOSED ADJUSTMENT	NEW AMOUNT
Logan Thompson	21505102	<u>Carryover</u>	8900	\$112.69	(\$57.09)	\$55.60
Sue Whitehead	22027102	<u>Carryover</u>	28000	\$335.20	(\$276.10)	\$59.10
Owensville Café	22395000	Deceased Owner		\$140.24	(\$140.24)	\$0
Mrs. Paul Braselton	55010000	<u>Misread Meter</u>	11300	\$59.89	(\$49.29)	\$10.60
Williams Apts	10273000	Office Error- Penalty removal		\$66.44	(\$66.44)	\$0
Dollar General	21370001	Office Error- Penalty removal		\$3.74	(\$3.74)	\$0
TOTALS				\$718.20	(\$592.90)	\$125.30

The Council signed the Medical Bldg. agreement which allows Crider & Crider to rent the building for \$300 per month. Larry York asked the Council what their long term plan for the building was. The Council hopes to keep the building rented. In the event that there are no renters, other options will be explored.

The Clerk asked for permission to purchase Arc View GIS mapping program at a cost of \$1199. With a first motion from Bernard, followed by a second from Clyde the purchase was approved.

The Clerk asked for permission for her and the office to attend a class on Microsoft Excel in Evansville at a cost of \$128 for the 2-day class per person. With a 1st motion from Clyde followed by a second from Bernard, the Clerk and possibly someone from the office will attend this 2 day course.

The Clerk informed the Council that the IDEM report due March 31 has been completed by Lamac and can be viewed at the office.

The Clerk informed the Council that Town Attorney, Ray Druley had sent a Notice of Enforcement and Notice of Public Hearing to Chris Williams regarding the mobile home located at 207 E. Clark Street. The public hearing is scheduled for the April 14, 2008 board meeting. Rodger has discussed the issue with Mr. Williams and Rodger felt that he would be doing the cleanup. Dale will get Mr. William's phone number from Rodger and try to contact him.

Dean informed the Council that upon the request of 3 quotes, he purchased a pump for the head works at the Sewage Plant from S&K Equipment, Inc. in the amount of \$7680.

Dean informed the Council that a request to dump sewage into our system had recently been denied. He did not feel we were in the business of doing such. The Council agreed with Dean's decision.

Dale asked Dean to check on the lighting at the wells and also the posting of "No Trespassing" signs.

Clyde asked permission from the Council to host the Gibson County Chamber of Commerce April 17th meeting at the REH Center. Clyde would like to provide lunch for approximately 20 people. The Council agreed with Clyde. Denny Simpson stated that the Merchants can possibly help with the lunch.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:30p.m. The next meeting will be April 14, 2008 at 6:30p.m.

TOWN COUNCIL OF OWENSVILLE

DALE HENRY, PRESIDENT

BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
April 14, 2008
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on April 14, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 6:36pm. Council members present were Dale Henry and Clyde Scott.

Clyde made a motion to accept the March 10 minutes as submitted by the Clerk. Dale made a second to the motion. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

The Council made a motion to pay April claims totaling \$410,852.56.

General Fund Claims:	\$348,336.66
Water Fund Claims:	\$18,664.65
Sewer Fund Claims:	\$43,851.25

With a 1st motion from Clyde and a 2nd from Dale, the above claims will be paid. The Clerk informed the Council that the claims include a \$20,000 investment in the sewer bank account and a \$284,000 investment from the general bank account.

Water adjustments were discussed. Clyde made a first motion, with Dale seconding the motion. All council members voted to approve the following adjustments.

March 2008 READINGS COVER 01/15/2008 - 02/15/2008

NAME	ACCT #	PROBLEM	GALLONS USED	AMOUNT W/LEAK	PROPOSED ADJUSTMENT	NEW AMOUNT
Dawn Sparacino	21425100	<u>Outside line leak</u>	6700	\$87.06	(\$38.45)	\$48.61
Donna Douglas	10495302	2Mnths Ousd lne	10800	\$146.19	(\$51.29)	\$94.90
Paul w. Field	11070100	2Mnths Ousd lne	18000	\$237.59	(\$92.25)	\$145.34
Jacob Walther	10495413	<u>2mnths Toilet leak</u>	28400	\$359.03	(\$202.09)	\$169.46
First Christian Church	33055000	Mis-read Meter	3400	\$48.10	(\$16.10)	\$32.00
Jim Dunkel	55099430	Mis-read Meter	2300	\$12.19	(\$1.59)	\$10.60
Rayburn Dilbeck	10093001	Mis-read	1900	\$37.60	-	\$37.60
TOTALS				\$927.76	(\$401.77)	\$538.51

Next, the Council heard from residents, Kenneth Townsend and Mary Sue Garrett. These residents live on Certain Street. Certain Street has a history of flooding during heavy rain events. During the last rain event, Mary Sue Garrett asked Clyde to visit her residence. Clyde along with Dean made the visit and took pictures. Dale explained to Mr. Townsend that when the highway is redone in the next few years, that problem should be alleviated somewhat. There is a storm sewer grate located in Ms. Garrett's yard in which the residents feel could be a hazard. Dale stated that since this is private property, there would not be a lot the Town could do. He told the residents that before there were houses in the area, the property experienced major flooding. Dale said the Town might be able to go onto the property and dig a ditch. Dean Short suggested that if the Town is going to go to the length of digging a ditch, maybe the Town could also fix the grate. Ray stated that before the work may begin, the Town should get a letter from the five property owners allowing access to their private property.

Jayne Deal and daughter Chasidy Gengelbach were present to voice a complaint about the Police Department. Jayne felt that the Police Department may have not turned all information over to the Prosecutor's Office in regard to an incident involving her son, Kalin. She also felt that when she had asked the Police Department questions in regard to a separate incident involving her son Wes, the Police Department had possibly lied to her. When she requested a report, the Officer told her she would have to get the report from the Prosecutor's Office. Tim Fox, a Prosecutor from the Gibson County Prosecutor's Office was present at the meeting and tried to answer the questions posed. According to Mr. Fox, the Owensville Police Department has handled both situations appropriately and accordingly; and at no time did he feel the Owensville Police Department had falsified or withheld information. Mr. Fox told Jayne that he felt she should be directing her questions to the Prosecutor's Office rather than the Owensville Police Department. At the time the Police turn information over to the Prosecutor, the Police no longer have to deal with it.

OMTFPD Fire Chief, Jeff Roberts, gave a presentation regarding the fire department. He stated that the Fire Dept. had approximately 29 runs for March. Jeff is working on a disaster plan for the Town in which he will enlist persons

from the Community to provide disaster volunteer relief. He would also like to partner with the Town in order to map homes in which the elderly or disabled live. In the event of a power outage or storm, the Fire Department would know the houses in which they should conduct welfare checks. With the new arc view software, hopefully the Town can provide that information.

The Clerk informed the Council about a letter received from the USDA in regard to elderly grants and low income loans for renovations that could be considered a health, safety or energy saving issue. Dale told the Clerk to mail the information out to residents in town. She will possibly pursue using the Chamber for the mailing, in which they can possibly be mailed for ½ the normal \$.41 cost.

A Notice of Enforcement Hearing in regard to property located at 207 E. Clark Street was scheduled for tonight; however, the Council extended the deadline due to the fact that the requested cleanup is almost complete.

Clyde told Dale that Terry Hedges, Gibson County Emergency Director could help the Town draft an emergency disaster plan. Mr. Hedges can meet with the Council on a Saturday. Clyde stated that he would also like to see Dean Short and Fire Chief Jeff Roberts involved in this process. A day will be decided on at a later time.

The town council appointed Margo English to replace Bart Newton on the Planning Commission.

The Southeast drainage issue is still on the drawing board and the employees are doing what they can to get the problem repaired. Dennis Simpson asked if the Company guaranteed the work. The council explained that we had an engineer and a contractor and they have both been questioned.

Kenneth Townsend asked why wastewater was so much more than water. Dale explained the reason.

Chasidy Gengelbach told the Council that she felt the Owensville Police Department targeted her because she had out of county license plates. She has heard from other people that the Police had stopped them for that very reason. Dale stated that the out of county people must have done something wrong if the Police stopped them. He also explained that every traffic stop is audio/video taped. Tim Fox again asked to speak. He then told Chasidy that if she feels she is being harassed, she can sue the Police Department. More discussion ensued with the Prosecutor educating all present on the way the system works.

Peggy McClellan asked the Council to pass on to the Park Board that she really appreciated the removal of the trees at Montgomery Park and the property really looks nice.

The Clerk informed the Council that the IDEM report due March 31 has been accepted by IDEM.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:30p.m. The next meeting will be May 12, 2008 at 6:30p.m.

TOWN COUNCIL OF OWENSVILLE

DALE HENRY, PRESIDENT

BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
May 12, 2008
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on May 12, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 6:40pm. All council members were present.

Bernard made a motion to accept the April 14 minutes as submitted by the Clerk. Clyde made a second to the motion. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

The Council approved payment of May claims totaling \$112,179.71.

General Fund Claims:	\$54,337.36
Water Fund Claims:	\$17,923.57
Sewer Fund Claims:	\$39,918.78

Water adjustments were then discussed. Clyde made a first motion, with Dale seconding the motion. All council members voted to approve the following adjustments.

May 2008 READINGS COVER 03/15/2008 - 04/15/2008

NAME	ACCT #	PROBLEM	GALLONS USED	AMOUNT W/LEAK	PROPOSED ADJUSTMENT	NEW AMOUNT
JIMSLATER	10495251	TOILET LEAK	11000	\$137.15	(\$103.69)	33.47
DONNIE HOWARD	21550102	BATHROOM LEAK	13500	\$166.28	(\$118.83)	\$47.45
ROBERT SCHWARTZ	57011200	MISREAD METER	1500	10.60	(\$0.00)	\$10.60
TOM DEAL	48054100	MISREAD METER	4600	24.38	(\$10.07)	\$14.31
JESSICA & TODD MCFADDEN	10064213	OLD ACCOUT		\$3.02	(\$3.02)	\$0.00
SHANA MATTINGLY	10495222	OLD ACCOUT		\$3.02	(\$3.02)	\$0.00
RANDIE MILLER	10495633	OLD ACCOUT		\$4.48	(\$4.48)	\$0.00
JEREMY CLAIRDAY	32620229	OLD ACCOUT		\$3.02	(\$3.02)	\$0.00
MARCUS KEENER	32620240	OLD ACCOUT		\$3.02	(\$3.02)	\$0.00
RANDY COMPTON	32620258	OLD ACCOUT		\$3.02	(\$3.02)	\$0.00
DONNA SPADE	10495203	OVERPAID FINAL		-\$0.01	\$0.01	\$0.00
DIANA JONES	21890200	OVERPAID FINAL		-\$0.23	(\$0.23)	\$0.00
CHAD HOOKER	22055200	OVERPAID FINAL		-\$0.27	(\$0.27)	\$0.00
JOSH MAGGARD	32540001	JOSH MAGGARD		-\$0.14	(\$0.14)	\$0.00
TOTALS					(\$299.21)	

Next, the Council heard from Debbie Bennett Stearsman regarding the Comprehensive Plan Grant. Debbie brought a letter of extension for the planning grant. The contract was awarded April 13, 2007. However, the grant release was not received from the State until August 2007, therefore the extension. The letter requests a closing of October 31, 2008. Dale signed the letter and Debbie will forward it to the State. The Clerk told the Council that the Comp Plan meetings were moving along with another meeting scheduled for May 13, 2008 at 6:30. She explained to the Council that a lot of what had come from the meetings was the fact that the Town should pursue more grants. Debbie explained to the Council that once the Comp Plan was adopted by the Council, she could look at it and see what the town wanted to pursue and she would go look for it. Ray asked Debbie what would happen to the Plan Commission after the Comp Plan was adopted by the Council. Debbie told Ray it was a Council decision as to whether they stay in place or not. Clyde discussed setting up a time to get with Terry Hedges in order to develop a disaster plan for the Town. Debbie stated that approximately 2 years ago, the County did a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan that should have encompassed the Town of Owensville. She told the Council she would do some research and find out if it was completed, if the Town was included and if not, why.

Brian Prater was present at the meeting to request information from the Council regarding the highway project. He lives at the corner of Hwy 168 and Hwy 65 or (Walnut and Mill). Dale said he has seen INDOT surveying in different areas. Dale told Brian that he did not have much if any information in regard to that portion of the Highways. Brian told him he was concerned because of the storm sewer collapsing at the corner of Walnut Street.

OMTFPD Fire Chief, Jeff Roberts, gave a presentation regarding the fire department. He stated that the Fire Dept. had approximately 19 runs for March. The Fire Dept. is working on their NIMS 100 and June 21 and 22 they will be going to a NIMS 300 Class. Clyde is hoping to go to that training with them. Jeff has some new volunteers and part of their training will be conducted at the Toyota burn field.

Jack Light asked if the Town council bring a load of dirt to his ditch to fill in where it has washed. Dean told him he would.

Dale asked for a motion to name Margo English to the Planning Commission. Clyde made the nomination. Bernard made a second to the nomination. With 3 affirmations, the motion was approved and the Plan Commission was certified by the Clerk Treasurer.

Dean told the Council that he would travel to the Village of Clay City, IL to pick up a generator on May 28, 2008. This generator will be placed at the sewer plant with a permanent connection. An \$8,000 check is included in this month's claims. Dean told Kenneth Townsend, a resident that attended the April meeting with a complaint about flooding on Certain Street, that he would look at the area again and decide where they would dig the ditch. He also told the Council that a new catch basin would be installed. Dean told the Council that if they wanted to do the job, then putting in the catch basin would make the job complete and help the Certain Street people as well as the Town. Dean told the Council they were almost finished cleaning out manholes and once that job was complete they would begin patching the manholes

Rodger told the Council he would like to purchase a battery saver to put into the police car. The cost is \$100 and the Council felt it would be a good idea. Rodger also explained that there had been a rash of thefts from Third Street West area of Town. He wanted the residents to know that they should keep all belongings under lock and key.

The Council voted to do a Salary Ordinance Amendment in order to add a clothing allowance for the Street, Water, and Sewer employees. The change will give the employees an annual clothing allowance of \$400 per year, payable in full for 2008 beginning immediately. The allowance will be paid two times per year, with payment for 2008 being made in May and October. Beginning in 2009, the allowance will be paid out in April and October. Clyde made a first to the motion. Bernard made a second to the motion and all council members voted in favor of the amendment.

The Council voted in favor of adopting an ordinance prohibiting the use of Engine Compression Brakes. The Ordinance Number is 2008-2. This ordinance will be published in the Princeton Daily Clarion sometime this week. Bernard made the first motion for approval. Clyde made a second to the motion.

The Council all agreed that the roof to the Town Hall should be repaired. The Clerk explained that the 2008 budget had not been approved, however, the funds that will be used would not be property tax but instead, EDIT and cumulative funds. The Council instructed the Clerk to find out if the Town could proceed with the roof project and if so, ask for three quotes.

The Clerk told the Council that thanks to Clyde's involvement with the Chamber of Commerce and his plan to bring the Chamber to Owensville for a meeting worked out in a very good way. On Friday, May 9, 2008, Mike Hert from Gibson County Coal/Alliance Coal brought a \$500 donation to the Clerk for the REH Center. A huge thank you goes out to Gibson County Coal for their generous donation.

The Clerk asked the Council about the Notice of Enforcement and Hearing at 207 E. Clark Street. The Council stated the property had been satisfactorily cleaned up. Dale talked about the possibility of charging a fee to post ordinance violations. It was decided that it would be more trouble than what it was worth.

The Clean up Day was another success. Five dumpsters were filled and by 8:00am, the guys and Boy Scouts had gotten rid of the line of cars waiting to unload. From 8:00am until 11:00am, cars filtered thru. The Clerk suggested that the Council think about changing the hours next year to 7:00am until 9:30am.

An email had been received from John Acree with Lamac Engineering regarding the SRF Loan. The Clerk explained that she had not received a letter from SRF, therefore did not have all the information needed. Debbie told the Council that she would work on getting some information on the SRF Loan and get it back to the Council.

All Council members agreed that the final payment could be made on the Time and Temp Sign.

Lastly was discussion on the Property borders for the Town of Owensville. Lamac has been working on this project. Unfortunately, they came to some dead ends and were not able to establish the boundaries. Ray is going to draw up

an ordinance which outlines the boundaries. He will be using the information which was provided by the County Surveyor's Office and the Assessor's office in order to draft the ordinance.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:30p.m. The next meeting will be June 9, 2008 at 6:30p.m.

TOWN COUNCIL OF OWENSVILLE

DALE HENRY, PRESIDENT

BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
June 9, 2008
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on June 9, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 6:34pm. Dale Henry and Clyde Scott were present, Bernard Thompson was absent.

Clyde made a motion to accept the May 12 minutes as submitted by the Clerk. Dale made a second to the motion. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

The Council approved payment of June claims totaling \$281,720.63. This approval came from a first motion from Clyde followed by a second from Dale. The claims were split between the following funds:

General Fund Claims:	\$162,772.37
Water Fund Claims:	\$49,691.68
Sewer Fund Claims:	\$69,256.58

Water adjustments were then discussed. Clyde made a first motion, with Dale seconding the motion. Both council members voted to approve the following adjustments.

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NAME	ACCT #	PROBLEM	GALLONS USED	AMOUNT W/LEAK	PROPOSED ADJUSTMENT	NEW AMOUNT
JIM SLATER	10495251	TOILET LEAK(CO)	4600	\$62.71	(\$29.19)	\$33.52
DONNIE HOWARD	21550102	BATHROOM LEAK (CO)	8000	\$102.40	(\$54.87)	\$47.53
SARAH TUCKER	10495511	BUSTED PIPE	7300	94.23	(\$42.03)	\$52.20
JOE THAXTON	21665002	TOILET LEAK	6300	82.55	(\$26.85)	\$55.70
CARL SPARACINO	21740000	FILLED POOL	5800	\$76.72	(\$25.20)	\$51.52
JC GARDNER	10515000	MISREAD METER	2400	\$36.96	(\$4.66)	\$32.30
ALBERT WHITE	21472000	REMOVE CHARGE	0	\$32.30	(\$32.30)	\$.00
SHARON MARVELL	21472000	MISREAD METER	19300	\$103.26	(\$75.98)	\$27.29
ROBERT MARTIN	10260100	LINE BUSTED	14000	\$172.45	(\$119.09)	\$53.37
TOTALS					(\$410.17)	

OMTFPD Fire Chief, Jeff Roberts, reported that the Department had purchased a new ambulance. The ambulance will be striped maroon and gold and the back will have a logo stating "Paid for by Owensville Montgomery Township Taxpayers". Dale asked if the Department had an agreement with the ambulance service in order to keep it manned. Jeff stated that the base will be manned everyday by one person and by 2 every 5th day. Jeff said it was also written into the agreement that this ambulance would not be used as a transport like the 1st one was. Jeff said they were working on an agreement with the ambulance service in which the department would provide a first responder to work with the EMT on duty. The EMS would pay for this 1st Responder.

The Council was informed that the 2008 budget had finally been approved without cuts. The Council stated that they would like to move forward with the quotes for the roof. They liked the quote that Industrial Contractors submitted in 2007 in order to work the cost into the 2008 budget, therefore quotes will be taken using those specifications. The Council stated that they would like the project started as soon as possible and set a meeting date of June 26, 2008 at 8am to look over the quotes. The Council would like to see the roof quote in addition to the tuck pointing, front entrance enclosure, and garage repairs.

The SRF loan has a credit line remaining of \$205,000. After receiving a letter from SRF, the Town must make a decision as to whether to use the remainder of the money on a project or close on the loan. The Council decided to meet with John Acree of Lamac Engineering on June 26, 2008 to discuss this also.

Dean informed the Council that they do have the generator and they will try to start it next week.

The Clerk reported that insurance rates will raise approximately 23% beginning in July.

Dean also asked the Council about increasing the bereavement benefits to include nieces and nephews. The Council tabled the idea until Bernard is in attendance.

Rodger turned in an application for a new reserve officer. The reserve officer is currently an officer for Haubstadt Police Department and he will not require any further training by our department. Clyde asked Rodger if he knew him. Rodger stated that he had known him for as long as he had been employed with the Town. Dale also informed Clyde that he knew him. With that information, Clyde made a motion to accept Chris McDonald as a new reserve officer for the Owensville Police Department. Dale made a second to the motion. Clyde asked Town Attorney, Ray Druley whether the Town could compensate the reserves in any way. Ray informed him that they could not, therefore the term reserve officer.

Dale stated that Rodger had been notified by Toyota that they were accepting applications for the purchase of new police vehicles. The Police Department budgeted \$15,000 for a vehicle plus another \$8,000 for equipment. Rodger reported that the charger has 55,000 miles on it and next year they would be looking to replace it anyway. The Council decided that if they could get one of these vehicles, it would sure beat the price of a new one. This program normally saves a department \$10,000 on the cost of a vehicle. Dale told Rodger that the Council would need to be involved in the choice of the vehicle and gave approval for Rodger to move forward with the process. Clyde made the first motion, and Dale followed with a second to the motion.

Randy Ross stated that the NPDES permit for the Town would expire in 2009 and he would like to see the Town start work on that renewal. Ray told Randy to check into the renewal and the Town would start the process.

Clyde complimented the Town employees on a job well done in Dean's absence. While experiencing heavy rains, a drainage problem had been reported to the Town. The employees quickly went to work to alleviate the problem. Clyde also made mention that the emergency response team in Owensville had reacted very good in light of the tragic accidents within the Town.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:30p.m. The next meeting will be June 26, 2008 at 8:00a.m.

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BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
June 26, 2008
8:00 AM**

The Owensville Town Council met in special session on June 26, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 am. Dale Henry, Bernard Thompson and Clyde Scott were present. Others present were Bryon Swader from The Garland Company; Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer; Dean Short, Supervisor; John Acree and Brian Gould from Lamac Engineering entered the meeting after discussing the roof project.

Bryon Swader from The Garland Company made a presentation to the Council in regard to the roof. Bryon is a roof asset manager. He explained to the Council that the Clerk had called him upon the recommendation of Chuck Lewis, South Gibson School Building Manager. Bryon explained to the Council that his job is to make recommendations to companies about their roofs. Bryon submitted a presentation with color pictures regarding the Town Hall roof. Bryon explained to the Council that he would write the spec's for the roof and invite at least 3 quotes from contractor's for the project. After the presentation, the Council asked Bryon to proceed with the specifications and the invitations to bid. Bryon told the Council that the bids should be prepared to look at by the July 14, 2008 meeting with spec's to include removal of the current roof. This will allow inspection of the roof decking. The decking will be spec'd at a price per foot, which will allow only the decking that is bad to be replaced. This process will allow the Town to look at bids and compare apples to apples in addition to the fact that Mr. Swader will oversee the contractors in order to assure the job is conducted according to specifications.

The Town received a letter from SRF stating that we needed to draw down the remainder of our loan. The Council agreed to talk to Lamac Engineering in regard to additional sewer projects. After discussion, Lamac advised the Council that the best solution to the Highway 168 Lift station overflow problem would be to request a discharge from IDEM. Lamac will draw up the letter and submit to the Council prior to mailing to IDEM. Clyde made the 1st motion. Dale made a second to the motion. Clyde and Dale affirmed the motion. Bernard left in the middle of the discussion.

Dean asked permission to build a house for the generator purchased for the Sewer Plant. The estimated cost is \$2000 to build a 14'x8' building. Clyde made the first motion and Dale followed with a second. The motion passed with 2 affirmations.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:10a.m. The next meeting will be July 14, 2008 at 6:30p.m.

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BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
July 14, 2008
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on July 14, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm. All Council members were present.

The June 9th minutes were approved by unanimous vote with Clyde making the 1st motion. Dale made a second to the motion. Next, the minutes from the June 26th special meeting were approved with a 1st motion from Clyde followed by a second from Bernard. The Council then moved on to approval of the July claims for a total of \$261,241.83. General fund payments will be made in the amount of \$177,205.67, including a \$55,000 investment. Water fund payments will be made in the amount of \$20,244.82 and sewer fund payments will be made totaling \$63,791.34. The sewer fund includes a \$20,000 investment. These claims were approved with a 1st motion from Bernard followed by a 2nd from Clyde. All Council members were in favor of payment of claims.

For the first time in several months, the Council did not have water or sewer adjustments to discuss. The only discussion was the fact that Christian Marsh received an estimated bill because the office thought the meter had stopped. After speaking with Mr. Marsh, he explained that no one had been living in the home due to some remodeling taking place. Therefore, the office needs to go back and adjust the May bill and the most recent July bill to a minimum bill.

Bryon Swader from the Garland Company was present to discuss quotes on the roofing project. The quotes came in as follows:

	<u>Removal & Replacement of Roof</u>	<u>Replacement of Roof</u>
Industrial Contractors:	\$27,900	\$24,900
Midwest Roofing	\$26,000	\$23,500
Hedinger Roofing Co., Inc.	\$21,540	\$17,530

After very brief discussion it was decided that the Council would proceed with the removal & replacement of the roof due to the unknown condition of the roof. By a 1st motion from Bernard, followed by a 2nd from Clyde the Council approved the low bid from Hedinger Roofing Company, Inc. at a cost of \$21,540. Bryon will follow up with the Clerk in order to proceed with the project.

Don Stansberry from 110 N. Mill Street was present to discuss a few situations in his neighborhood. The first requested the removal of three trees on town right of way. Don stated that on July 4th one of the trees had fallen and luckily not hit anything in its path. He stated that all 3 trees were old and very big and the next time we might not get so lucky. Dean will pursue the possible removal of the trees. Next, Mr. Stansberry discussed the possibility of placement of some signage for traffic to slow down. He stated that he had recently had some kids move into the neighborhood that are hearing impaired. He also has an adult neighbor lady that is hearing impaired. He felt for safety reasons it would be a good idea to place signs in the area. The Council agreed and Dean will make the order. Lastly, Mr. Stansberry asked that his area be placed on a list for new curbing. He stated that the Church parking lot paving had caused some extensive runoff problems for he and Mrs. Kerns (located at the corner of Clark & Church). Dale explained that INDOT will be doing a project in the near future which will address runoff from the highway. Dale stated that this may help alleviate his problem.

Margo English was present at the meeting mostly to observe, however she did bring about the storm sewer problem at the corner of Mill and Walnut Street. With this storm sewer not accepting the water, it has caused the highway to buckle. Dale assured everyone INDOT was well aware of the problem.

Next, the clerk informed the Council of the PayGov Credit Card product recently discussed in the office. PayGov offers credit card use for customers in which the town would not incur any cost. The customer using the card bears all costs associated with the use of the card. An ordinance was presented for the Council approval and signature. By a 1st motion from Bernard followed by a second from Clyde, the Town will now accept credit cards in lieu of payment. The payments from PayGov will be ACH into the Town's "dump" checking account. The Town will transfer the money accordingly into the water and sewer accounts. Along this same line, the Town most recently began direct deposit of payroll checks. With this product, the Town can also automatically debit accounts for water and sewer payments. The office will offer 2 dates, one being the 13th of the month (prior to penalty processing) and the other being on the 25th of the month (after penalty processing). The Town will again use the "dump checking account" to accept the payment and then transfer accordingly to water and sewer accounts. Bernard made a first motion with Clyde making

a second to the motion to use ACH Debit for automatic water and sewer payments or any other payment a customer may wish to make using this method.

After tabling the bereavement policy change at the June meeting, the Council decided not to make any changes. The policy will remain as is without changes.

A short discussion ensued about budget changes for 2009. It was decided to up the Town right of way repair and maintenance in MVH to \$2400. The Council asked the Clerk to figure in a \$.50 raise for employees.

Rodger explained that the "Air Compression Brake" Ordinance was difficult to enforce without signs posted. The Council agreed to the sign placement, however Dean stated that since these signs will be placed on State Highways, they will have to be permitted. He will work on this issue.

The Council approved payment of the \$4,200 maintenance fee from Keystone Consulting. This fee covers 3 modules, \$1300 for budget, \$1300 for payroll, and \$1600 for billing.

The Council approved the cost of the Clerk attending Wabash Valley College for GIS Training. The approximate cost will be \$450. The Council also stated that mileage would be provided for this class.

No decision was made in regard to the SRF money. The Town must decide whether they wish to draw down the remainder of the loan (approximately \$205,000) or re-amortize the loan.

Rodger submitted his report. Clyde asked Rodger to add his reserve's hours onto the report.

The guys asked the Clerk to run a newspaper article in regard to dumping at the sewer plant. They recently had a problem with an out-of-town resident wanting to dump compost. The Council stated that they would like to see some information included in the article about dogs running loose and grass clippings being thrown into the streets. The Clerk will write an article and try to mention all of the above problems in addition to the fact that ordinances can be attained at the Town Hall, Library, or online at www.owensville.org.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:30p.m. The next meeting will be August 11, 2008 at 6:30p.m.

TOWN COUNCIL OF OWENSVILLE

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BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
July 22, 2008
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in special session on July 22, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm. All Council members were present. Those present from the Town included Dean Short, Kristy York and Rodger Leister. John Clise from the Star Times, resident David Trowbridge, and Paula Walker from OW Krohn along with her daughter, Hannah were also present.

Dale called the meeting to order at 3:00pm and turned the table over to Ms. Walker from OW Krohn. OW Krohn was approved to do a water rate study for the Town at the October 8, 2007 meeting at a cost not to exceed \$4000. Ms. Walker presented the Council with a report of historical data on water rates, expenses and income. Based on the information, OW Krohn gave 3 different options for the Council to consider. The first option is a 36% increase, the next being a 43% increase and the last coming in at 72%. Ms. Walker also informed the Council that the tap fees should be raised from \$500 to the \$750-\$1000 mark and a Consumer Deposit should raise from the current \$100 to a range of \$135 to \$175. The Council thanked Ms. Walker for her work and presentation and tabled the issue. They will study the information provided and discuss in the future.

Budget items were discussed. The Clerk informed the Council that she had met with Robert Norris from Department of Local Government Finance in regard to the budget. Finishing touches will be made with the Council approving items requested by the different departments. A vehicle will be put into the police budget. A backhoe will be added into the CEDIT budget. A mower had been added, however, Dean felt a tractor upgrade would have more priority, so an adjustment for that item will be made. At this time it appears the budget will be advertised on August 19 or 26 and possibly September 2, 2008 with a hearing to be held at the September 8, 2008 meeting and adoption will occur sometime after the 18th of September. All plans will be confirmed at the August 11, 2008 meeting which will take place at 6:30pm. With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:00pm.

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BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR MEETING
August 11, 2008
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on August 11, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm. All Council members were present.

In the first order of business, a Public Hearing was held in regard to the Comprehensive Plan. Mary Jane Barrett, Plan Commission President, recommended that the Town Council adopt the Comprehensive Plan as submitted by Bonar Group and she also asked that the Town Council keep the Plan Commission intact. Debbie Bennett-Stearnsman was present to conduct and record the hearing. Debbie opened up the floor for comments from the public; however, there were no comments. With that, Debbie closed the public comment session and asked the board to move forward with the recommendation from the Plan Commission. With a 1st motion from Clyde, followed by a second motion from Bernard, the Council unanimously approved the adoption of the Comp Plan. Debbie will write the minutes from the verbatim recording and forward a copy to the Town, as well as handle the remainder of the procedure in which the documents will be turned over to the State. Debbie and Bonar Group Representatives, John Edwards and Susan Moriarty dismissed themselves at that time.

The July 14 minutes were approved by unanimous vote with Bernard making the 1st motion. Clyde made a second to the motion. Next, the minutes from the July 22nd special meeting were approved with a 1st motion from Clyde followed by a second from Bernard.

The Council asked for water adjustments to be discussed next. There was no one present to discuss adjustments; however there were a few clerical errors to adjust along with bills to adjust for Tammy Dean and Rachel Julian. David Julian (present) had repaired Ms. Dean's water line and Dean (present) had made repairs to Ms. Julian's line. Both Dave and Dean reported to the Council that the leaks had been successfully repaired. With a first motion from Bernard followed by a second from Clyde the following adjustments will be made.

**WATER ADJUSTMENTS APPROVED
AUGUST 2008 READINGS COVER 6/15/2008 - 7/15/2008**

NAME	ACCT #	PROBLEM	GALLONS USED	AMOUNT W/LEAK	PROPOSED ADJUSTMENT	NEW AMOUNT
JERRY SHARP	10495108	ENTERED WRNG	READ ADJ ONLY	\$-	\$-	\$-
JASON MULLINS	10170103	MISREAD METER	8200	\$55.84	(\$13.38)	\$42.46
LISA BRESNHAN	55097300	MISREAD METER	26300	\$140.71	(\$107.00)	\$33.71
TAMMY DEAN	32700202	LEAK UNDR HS	85300	\$570.31	(\$304.45)	\$265.86
RACHEL JULIAN	10940203	LINE LEAK	11500	\$123.16	(\$62.79)	\$60.37

The Council went on to discuss the water rate increase possibilities. The Council is looking to raise the rates by 1st increasing the base rate by \$2 and then \$.10 per 100 gallon. Margo English questioned why she would experience a larger raise in Town versus those living outside of Town. The Council told her they would think about that.

The Clerk explained to the Council the need to decrease our 2008 budget appropriations in Local Road and Streets. Dean will not be using the LRS money to pave this year, therefore, we will decrease the appropriation and we will use it in the 2009 budget. With a first motion from Bernard and a second from Clyde, the motion unanimously passed and Resolution 2008-3 was signed.

The Council looked at the quotes for tuck pointing of the Town Hall. They were not comfortable with approval. The Clerk will check with both parties quoting and make sure the same thing is being quoted.

The Council then moved on to approval of the August claims for a total of \$106,430.81. General fund payments will be made in the amount of \$59,720.48. Water fund payments will be made in the amount of \$23,548.41 and sewer fund payments will be made totaling \$23,161.92. These claims were approved with a 1st motion from Bernard followed by a 2nd from Clyde. All Council members were in favor of payment of claims.

Other items discussed were:

- The Park and Recreation Board have applied for a grant from Toyota for paving at the Ball Park.
- Dale told those present that the Town was looking into expanding the water line running to the Ball Park.

- Preventative Maintenance began on the Water Tower on Thursday, August 7, 2008. This took the Tower off line on Thursday and put it back into service on Monday. This allowed Leary Corporation to inspect the interior of the tower.
- Roof work began today on the Town Hall. Hedinger Roofing will remove and replace the existing roof.
- The US Census Bureau will be at the Town Hall on Sept. 18, 2008 to talk to Council President and the Clerk Treasurer.
- A lightning strike @ the Wells took out the air conditioning unit. SR Meny evaluated the situation and quoted the cost of repairs at a minimum of \$1679.61 and cost to replace at \$1949.15. The claim was submitted to insurance and they paid the cost of repairs less \$250 deductible. A check has been received into the water fund. Dean will ask that SR Meny replace the unit because they had told Dean that the cost to repair would only get the unit to a state where they could further evaluate the unit, as it had an error code on it. Once the repairs were made and the error code read, the repair could be more extensive, therefore Dean chose to replace the unit.
- The Council discussed the success of the Watermelon Festival. They stated
- that next year, a sign might need to be placed on the highway stating that the road is closed for the festival.
- No information was received from either the Fire Chief or Town Marshal, as both were called out on runs during the meeting.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:35p.m. The next meeting will be September 8, 2008 at 6:30p.m.

TOWN COUNCIL OF OWENSVILLE

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BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**Town of Owensville
Special Meeting
September 3, 2008
8:30am**

The Town of Owensville met in special session on September 3, 2008. All Council Members were present for this 8:30am called to order meeting.

The purpose for this meeting was to have the first reading of Ordinance 2008-5, an ordinance which will raise the water rates for those persons on Owensville water. See ordinance following these minutes for all rate changes. The 1st reading of this Ordinance was unanimously approved by the Council. A 1st motion was made by Clyde and Bernard made a 2nd to the motion. Ray Druley, Town Attorney will draw up a Public Notice which will be advertised in the Clarion. The Notice will also be mailed to all out of town water customers and posted at the Town Hall. A Public Hearing will be held on September 23, 2008 at 1:00pm. Next, it was reported to the Council that the roof project was complete, however, after a very light rain, town employees went onto the roof to check out the completed job. David Julian took pictures of the roof showing that water is going to stand on the roof. The Council decided to hold the payment of this project in order to decide whether the job had been successfully completed.

The Council was informed that IDEM had approved the installation of a temporary overflow at the 168 Lift station. Lamac will meet with Dean in the very near future in order to shoot in the elevations of the area. Town employees will then complete the project.

With a 1st motion from Clyde and a 2nd from Bernard, a new policy was unanimously approved by the Council. This new policy will refer to returned checks. After 2 returned checks are received from an account, the account will be notified that they will no longer be allowed to pay with a check. Money orders, cash or credit cards will be their only options to make payments.

With no other business remaining the Council adjourned the meeting at 9:25am. The next meeting will be held on Monday, September 8, 2008 at 6:30pm.

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BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
2009 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR MEETING
September 8, 2008
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on September 8, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 6:32pm. All Council members were present.

Dale called the 2009 Budget Public Hearing to order @ 6:33pm and asked if there was anyone present in regard to this public hearing; there was not and the public hearing portion of the meeting was then deemed closed.

Dale then opened the regular September board meeting by asking for a motion to accept the August 11, 2008 regular board meeting minutes as submitted. With a 1st motion from Bernard, followed by a 2nd from Clyde, the August 11 minutes were approved on a 3-0 vote. The Council then moved to approve the September 3, 2008 special session minutes as submitted. Bernard made the motion. Clyde made the 2nd motion. The motion passed on a 3-0 vote.

Next the Council asked for persons present for water adjustments. The only person present to discuss water adjustments was Mike Wilcox, whom was representing Ms. Swinehart. Mike stated that she had a leak and he had repaired. The remainder of the adjustments was clerical or town usage issues. Therefore, the Council motioned and passed to accept the adjustments as submitted. The motion came from Bernard, seconded by Clyde and passed on a 3-0 vote. Adjustments will be made as follows:

**WATER ADJUSTMENTS APPROVED
SEPTEMBER 2008 READINGS COVER 7/15/2008- 8/15/2008**

NAME	ACCT #	PROBLEM	GALLONS USED	AMOUNT W/LEAK	PROPOSED ADJUSTMENT	NEW AMOUNT
TAMMY DEAN	32700202	CARRYOVER LEAK	19200	\$110.74	(\$27.02)	\$83.72
EARLEAN SWINEHART	10495106	LEAK	8100	\$51.07	(\$17.55)	\$33.52
CURTIS RILEY	10505100	DEAN RAN WATER TO CLEAR SEWER PROBLEM	3500	\$36.66	(\$4.31)	\$32.35
CRIDER & CRIDER	10705205	WTRMLN FEST USED WATER	2600	\$39.36	(\$7.01)	\$32.35
STEVE DAVIS	10107000	USED WTR ON TOWER	2200	\$32.89	(\$0.54)	\$32.35
TOTALS				\$270.72	(\$56.43)	\$214.29

Jeff Roberts, OMTFPD Fire Chief was present to give his report for August in which he had a total of 32 runs. This was up from the 27 runs in July. Average runs for the year are 26. Jeff stated that he is working on a disaster plan for the Town and a shelter for the north and south ends had been established. The REH Center will serve as a shelter for the North end of town, while the First Christian Church will serve as a shelter for the South end of Town. Dale told Jeff to keep in mind the Town's Shop building is equipped with a generator and could possibly serve some purpose. Jeff stated the department & the Town will flush and flow test hydrants on October 7th, 8th, and 9th. Dale suggested that they inform the office so proper notice can be placed in the paper and radio. On October 11, the department will host a public awareness day in which all trucks will be displayed. They are hoping to have the smokehouse and air evac on hand for demonstrations as well. A raffle and bake sale will also be conducted. The activities are set to take place at either the REH Center or the Fire Department beginning at 11:00am.

Water rates will increase beginning November 15, 2008 by 40% along with increases in other water related fees. Along with this, the Town transfers \$1200 to the extensions and replacements fund. The rate study suggested that these transfers be increased as the cost of capital improvements has increased. With the 40% increase, it will provide for the town to be able to transfer \$1700 per month for these capital improvements. An ordinance will be drafted in order to make that transfer beginning in January 2009. A public hearing on the water rate increase will be held on September 23, 2008 at 1:00pm.

The Council approved the 2009 Salary Ordinance by a 1st motion from Bernard and a 2nd from Clyde Scott. The motion was followed by 3 affirmations.

The Clerk will check into insurance replacing the sign vandalized earlier in the year by bricks being thrown at the sign.

Bids to tuck point, put in a second entrance, and remodeling of the Town Hall were awarded. With a 1st motion from Clyde, followed by a second from Bernard, the Council made a unanimous decision to approve the tuck point bid from Denning Brothers. The bids were as follows:

M. Koberstein Construction, Inc.	\$26,518.40
N.M. Bunge, Inc.	\$ 9,780.00
Denning Brothers Construction:	\$ 6989.80

Next bids to approve the placement of a door (flush with the building) and removal & replacement of the wood on the Town Hall storefront were approved by unanimous vote. With a 1st motion from Bernard followed by a 2nd from Clyde Denning Brothers will conduct the work at the Town Hall. The bids came in as follows:

M. Koberstein Construction, Inc.	\$6565.59 (for door placement only)
Denning Brothers Construction	\$8935.91 (less \$200 if done at same time)

The Town Council unanimously approved payment of September claims in the amount of \$242,805.49. \$165,185.89 will be paid from the General Fund, \$30,447.69 will be paid from the Water Fund and \$47,171.91 will be paid from the Sewer Fund. These totals included investments of \$113,000. Also prior to the meeting, Douglas, Inc. brought in gas tickets to be paid. The Council approved payment of this claim for September also. Bernard made the motion with Clyde seconding the motion.

Clyde asked the other Council members about painting a double yellow line on First Street between Brummitt and Walnut. Dale and Bernard explained that it was not painted because it is a street, not a part of the State Highway. The Council tabled the action.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:11p.m. The next meeting will be September 23, 2008 at 1:00p.m.

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CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
DECEMBER 18, 2008
1:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on December 18, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 1:30pm. Council members Bernard Thompson and Clyde Scott were present. Clerk Treasurer Kristy York and Marshal Rodger Leister were also present. Bernard called the meeting to order at 1:30pm.

The Council approved payment of December claims in the amount of \$52,503.89. The General fund will have disbursements of \$37,450.51; Water Fund will disburse \$9,021.51; and Sewer Fund will disburse \$6,031.87. The motion came from Bernard with Clyde making a second to the motion. All Council members voted in favor of the motion.

The Clerk presented the Council Resolution 2008-5. This resolution will transfer money to appropriations with negative balances. Clyde made a motion to approve the transfers while Bernard made a second to the motion. By unanimous vote, the resolution to transfer funds was approved.

Rodger presented the Council with an application for a new Reserve Deputy. Dwayne Matsel would like to become a Reserve Deputy for the Town of Owensville. Therefore by a recommendation from Rodger, motion put forth by Clyde and seconded by Bernard, the Council approved the hiring of Mr. Matsel as a Reserve Deputy. He will have to complete his 40 hours of training prior to beginning work. At the current time, the Town only has one Reserve. According to Rodger, Eric Meyer and Chris McDonald have both turned in their equipment and resigned their positions with the Town.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:00p.m. The next meeting will be January 12, 2009 at 6:30p.m.

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ATTEST:

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