

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 12, 2009
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on January 12, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm. Dale Henry and Clyde Scott were present; Bernard Thompson was absent.

In the first order of business, the Council motioned to approve the minutes from the December 8, 2008 meeting and December 18, 2008 year end meeting. Clyde made the motion; Dale made a second for approval. All Council members agreed to approve the minutes.

Next water adjustments were discussed as there were 2 misread meters that will need to be adjusted by the office (Ivan Harris & Donald Hawk). There was also 1 account with a carryover leak. That account would be Eugene Marsch (10291000). This adjustment will be made in the amount of \$22.94. These adjustments were approved by the Council with Clyde making the motion to adjust and Dale following with a second to the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor of making the adjustments.

The Council approved payment of December claims in the amount of \$171,758.23. The General fund will have disbursements of \$61,881.55; Water Fund will disburse \$17,291.08; and Sewer Fund will disburse \$92,585.60.

Dale motioned to approve the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan as submitted by Terry Hedges from Gibson County Emergency Management Agency at the December 8, 2008 meeting. Dale made a motion to approve the plan and Clyde made a second to the motion.

Dale Henry signed the Street Sweeping Agreement with INDOT in the amount of \$900. The Town will sweep the 3.0 curb miles of state highway 8 times per year and receive \$300 per curb mile per year (\$900).

The Council again briefly discussed a raise for Roy Hensley, but tabled the idea until Thursday when a special meeting will be held at 8:00am.

The Council appointed David Trowbridge to the Plan Commission. This appointment will replace Mary Jane Barrett's appointment. Ms. Barrett resigned her position in late 2008. Dale made a 1st to the motion; Clyde made a 2nd to the motion. Both Council members voted in favor of this appointment. Mr. Trowbridge will serve the remainder of Ms. Barrett's 3-year term. The term will expire in 2011.

The Clerk submitted a list of outstanding warrants to be cancelled from water and sewer check registers. From the water and sewer funds, \$96.12 will be receipted back into each fund for an outstanding check written to the US Postal Service on 3/31/2006. The water fund will also receipt \$67.70 back into their account for an outstanding consumer deposit check written to Kevin/Shelly King. A total of \$259.94 will be cancelled in outstanding warrants.

Lastly, Rodger submitted his monthly report and a Standard Operating Procedure for the newly purchased Taser Gun. The Council will review the SOP and get back with the Marshal.

Jack Light was on hand at the meeting to discuss the leash law. He stated that he has had some unfriendly dogs running loose in the neighborhood. The Police Department was briefed on the situation and they will try to get the situation under control.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:15p.m. The next meeting will be January 15, 2009 at 8:00a.m.

TOWN COUNCIL OF OWENSVILLE

DALE HENRY, PRESIDENT

ABSENT

BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 15, 2009
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in special session on January 15, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 8:00a.m. All Council Members were present.

The main purpose of this meeting was to discuss a possible salary ordinance amendment in regard to Roy L. Hensley. Roy had discussed his job with the Council in the fact that he was a Class I Certified Wastewater Operator. The Council decided that no salary ordinance amendment would be necessary and Roy's file would be notated of his certification.

The Council organized for the 2009 year with Bernard making a 1st to nominate Dale Henry as the Council President. Clyde Scott made a second to the motion. The vote was unanimous for this nomination.

The Council signed a resolution to accept the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan for Gibson County. This resolution will be sent to Terry Hedges, EMA Director for Gibson County.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:30 a.m. The next meeting will be February 9, 2009 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
FEBRUARY 9, 2009
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on February 9, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm. Dale Henry and Clyde Scott were present; Bernard Thompson was absent.

In the first order of business, the Council motioned to approve the minutes from the January 12, 2009 meeting and January 15, 2009 special meeting. Clyde made the motions; Dale made a second for approval of both months. All Council members agreed to approve the minutes.

Next water adjustments were discussed. Misread meters as well as water leak adjustments will need to be considered. With a first motion from Clyde followed by a second from Dale, the Council unanimously approved the following adjustments.

ACCOUNT #	ACCOUNT NAME	TYPE OF LEAK	CONS BILLED	AMT BILLED	AVG CONS	AVG MO BILL	AMT ADJ
33065000	MARY LOU ROSS	TOILET LEAK	6600	\$ 93.12	1300	\$ 34.49	\$ 58.63
33065000	MARY LOU ROSS	TOILET LEAK	6500	\$ 91.84	1300	\$ 34.49	\$ 57.35
21780000	CYNTHIA FOUNGIES	PUSTED PIPE	9400	\$ 128.80	7400	\$ 103.31	\$ 25.49
55055000	PAM DEHART	LEAK ON LINE	10000	\$ 77.21	6900	\$ 53.34	\$ 23.87
32648002	DEBRA WOODS	REPLACED TOILET	9500	\$ 130.08	2700	\$ 43.41	\$ 86.67
32648002	DEBRA WOODS	REPLACED TOILET	9100	\$ 115.24	2700	\$ 40.52	\$ 74.72
10064117	LISA WOODALL	LEAK UNDER TRAILER	12600	\$ 169.59	5000	\$ 72.73	\$ 96.86
10935101	MAURICE WEBB	MISREAD	6300	\$ 89.29	3600	\$ 54.88	\$ 34.41
54056120	CHRISTOPHER LAYMAN	MISREAD	10400	\$ 77.90	4400	\$ 32.96	\$ 44.94
21492000	LOUIS WILKERSON	MISREAD	300	\$ 34.49	0	\$ 34.49	\$ -
32470200	ROSETTA DUNIGAN	WATER PIPE BURST	10600	\$ 144.10	1300	\$ 34.49	\$ 109.61
SUB TOTAL							\$ 612.55

The Council approved payment of February claims in the amount of \$102,595.21. The General fund will have disbursements of \$57,487.70; Water Fund will disburse \$19,562.69; and Sewer Fund will disburse \$25,544.82. Clyde made the motion to approve these claims, Dale made a second which followed by 2 ayes to approve payment of February claims.

Cell phones were discussed briefly by the Clerk in light of the fact that the IRS says that they are a taxable fringe benefit. The council will think about this situation and decide in an upcoming meeting how they will address the situation.

The Fire Chief was present to discuss what was happening in the fire department. He told how many runs the fire department had in January and indicated that medical runs were up. Jeff told that the department would be focusing on training this year. He stated that they would be doing hazmat training very soon and this training would be mandatory for all firemen due to the Co-op and the anhydrous ammonia storage. Jeff explained that the disaster plan had additions which he went over. He explained that they were still working on resources to get generators for each shelters as well as supplies. Clyde stated that he would like to see the Council approve the plan. With a first motion from Dale followed by a second from Clyde, the disaster plan was unanimously approved by the Council.

Dale commended the Town Employees on the work they had done on the streets during the recent winter weather storms.

Randy reported that the generator at the sewer plant was almost ready to put into use. He also reported that the aeration lines would need some work this year as wells as cleaning of the wells. Dale told them to get their priorities in line and start working on the most critical areas first. He stated that we could work on them a little bit at a time.

Rodger requested that the Town post signs on the property of Rick and Pam Henry. They live at the corner of Main and Clark Street. They have complained that a lot of times they have come home to find people parked in their drive, which leaves them no where to park. Rodger suggested that they place a sign on the property stating Private Drive-No Parking. The Council asked the guys to order the signs and get them placed.

A matter comes to light lately in regard to the Town's bereavement policy. The matter being the fact that Grandparents and Grandchildren are not specifically listed as "immediate family". The Council stated that this has been an oversight and the policy should be amended to include them. The Clerk will do the amendment and present at the next meeting.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:25p.m. The next meeting will be March 9, 2009 at 6:30p.m.

TOWN COUNCIL OF OWENSVILLE

DALE HENRY, PRESIDENT

ABSENT

BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 9, 2009
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on March 9, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm. All Council Members were present.

In the first order of business, the Council motioned to approve the minutes from the February 9, 2009 meeting. Clyde made the motion; Dale made a second for approval of the minutes.

The Council approved payment of March claims in the amount of \$122,941.17. The General fund will have disbursements of \$82,362.61; Water Fund will disburse \$17,796.29; and Sewer Fund will disburse \$22,782.27. Bernard made the motion to approve these claims; Clyde made a second to the motion. Three ayes to approve payment of March claims followed.

Next water adjustments were discussed. Office errors as well as water leak adjustments will need to be considered. With a first motion from Clyde followed by a second from Dale, the Council unanimously approved the following adjustments.

ACCOUNT #	ACCOUNT NAME	TYPE OF LEAK	CONS BILLED	AMT BILLED	AVG CONS	AVG MO BILL	AMT ADJ
21780000	CYNTHIA FOUGNIES	CARRY OVER	10400	\$ 141.55	7400	\$ 103.31	\$ 38.24
10070001	ERIC MAYER	TOILET LEAK	7300	\$ 110.49	3400	\$ 56.86	\$ 53.63
10070001	ERIC MAYER	CARRY OVER	15000	\$ 200.18	3400	\$ 52.33	\$147.85
11310100	TARRELL THOMPSON	OUTSIDE HYDRANT	15300	\$ 204.00	2300	\$ 38.31	\$165.69
10300101	COREY TAYLOR	OUTSIDE LEAK	14800	\$ 197.63	2900	\$ 45.96	\$151.67
10495410	SONGA KERNS	TOILET LEAK	13100	\$ 175.96	3900	\$ 58.71	\$117.25
10290200	MARK DURHAM	OUTSIDE LEAK	11400	\$ 154.29	5000	\$ 72.73	\$ 81.57
10400202	THELMA CROW	???	8300	\$ 114.78	2000	\$ 34.49	\$ 80.29
21620001	FRANK SMITH	BUSTED PIPE	10400	\$ 141.55	4700	\$ 68.90	\$ 72.65
10495027	CHAD FETCHER	TOILET LEAK	7100	\$ 99.49	3500	\$ 53.61	\$ 45.88
56007003	TOMMIE BASHAM III	BILLING ERROR	1800	\$ 41.98	1800	\$ 14.98	\$ 27.00
10903006	MELISSA DEFUR	PENALTY ERROR	0	\$ 4.14	0	\$ -	\$ 4.14
21965100	TERRY PAGE	FAUCET LEAK	6600	\$ 93.12	1900	\$ 34.49	\$ 58.63
							\$ 739.87

There was a discussion in regard to Mark Durham's meter. Mr. Durham resides at 307 Crestview Drive and in recent months has been unsuccessfully tracking high usage. The Town read the meter two times today and the meter was not moving. The reading has registered only 3900 gallons to date therefore making the reading normal for the month. Mr. Durham talked about his meter moving when his neighbor's water is turned on and asked if a valve could be placed on his meter in order to prevent this. The Council asked Dean to place the valve on this line as soon as possible. Mr. Durham asked the Council to adjust his high usage months; however the Council only agreed to adjust the highest month.

The Fire Chief made a brief presentation telling the crowd that the department had made 30 runs in February with the majority being medical. Jeff stated that Owensville has invited Ft. Branch and Poseyville Fire Departments to tour the Fertilizer Plant in order to familiarize them with the facility.

Dennis Simpson was on hand to discuss the Scott/Lefler Ditch project with the Town. Mr. Simpson stated that these ditches are the water shed for the east side of Owensville. From these ditches, the water flows into the Wabash River. A grant has been obtained thru Gibson County Soil and Water Conservation District in order to conduct a study regarding contaminants in the water shed. This watershed is very important to the Town because of the water wells being in this area. After the study results are received, the boat and recreation tax dollars will be made available to landowners in the water shed area that are in need of repairs to their property. There are 24,000 acres involved in the watershed.

Cell phones were discussed again. At the present, the Town pays for three cell phones and the Clerk asked the Council to decide how they would like to handle this "taxable fringe benefit". The council chose to give the police cell phone to David Julian, as the police department would rather use their personal cell phones. They will amend the salary ordinance to accommodate this taxable fringe benefit. The phone bill will be split between the 3 holders of the phone bill and the amount will be added to their W-2's at yearend. On a monthly basis, the same amount that is allocated as a fringe benefit to David Julian, Dean Short and Randy Ross will be paid to Caleb White, Roy Hensley, Rodger Leister, and Jason Wright. This amount will be added to the 1st check of each month. The amount paid will be based on the prior month's phone bill. The Council unanimously approved this measure to appease the IRS guidelines. Bernard made the 1st motion. Clyde made a second to the motion.

A small discussion was had in regard to the animal ordinance. This ordinance allows chicken and fowl to be kept within the corporate limits. Some thoughts of changing this were discussed, but tabled.

A letter was received from Mary Lou Ross whom resides at 210 North Main Street in regard to the condition of her sidewalk. She would like to replace the sidewalk and asked the Town for financial assistance in this replacement. The Council will look at the sidewalk and discuss at another time. Margo English asked the Council to also look at the sidewalk in front of Montgomery Manufacturing. She explained that this sidewalk was also in need of replacement.

Rodger told the Council that the Pastor of the Nazarene Church had called and requested that the Town paint 2 handicap parking places on 3rd Street in front of the Church. They also requested 2 spots on Brummitt Street; however, Rodger told them that State Highway Department would have to authorize the Brummitt Street spots. The Council stated that they would allow one handicap spot, so as to not interfere with Stop-n-Go Customers. Rodger will give the dimensions to Ray Druley, Town Attorney, in order to draft an ordinance on this matter.

Randy told the Council that a new effluent meter was needed for the sewer plant as the current meter is old and in disrepair. The Council told Randy that 3 quotes would be necessary in order to proceed with this public works project. The estimated cost of this project is \$4000.

Rodger told all persons in attendance that business was booming! He told everyone to start locking their houses as theft was on the rise and he expected it to get worse.

Larry York, Plan Commission Member, thanked Rodger for his cleanup efforts around Town. Rodger stated that 33 properties had been tagged around Town for cleanup and everyone was cooperating. The Council told the Clerk to send a letter to John Bender with Superior Ag requesting the repairs and painting of the grain elevators on South Mill Street. This has become an eyesore at the edge of Town.

With a first motion from Bernard, followed by a second from Clyde; the Council approved the right of way borings for Montgomery Manufacturing. August Mack will perform these soil sample borings.

The Clerk briefly talked to the Council about establishing a Cumulative Building Fund for Wastewater. The Council tabled the issue.

The Council unanimously voted to move \$25,000 into the rainy day fund. Bernard made the motion with Clyde making a second to the motion.

The Bereavement Policy was updated to include Grandparents and Grandchildren. The policy was approved by the Council on a 3-0 vote with Bernard making the first motion and Clyde following with a second.

The Clerk informed the Council of losses in the Water and Sewer Funds. The Clerk suggested that the Water Rate Ordinance be amended to transfer \$1200 to the Extension & Replacement Fund. At the current time, the ordinance transfers \$1700.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:45p.m. The next meeting will be April 13, 2009 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
SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 2, 2009
10:30 AM**

The Owensville Town Council met in special session on April 2, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 10:33am. Those present included Council Members, Bernard Thompson & Clyde Scott; Clerk Treasurer, Kristy York; Town Attorney, Ray Druley; Insurance Agent, Larry Johnson; Damon from Healthy Living Spaces; and town resident, David Trowbridge.

The purpose of this meeting was to listen to a presentation given by Healthy Living Spaces Representative in regard to the sewage spill at the Rodger Leister residence on Thursday, March 19, 2009.

Briefly, the sewage spill at 6268 W. Thompson Lane played out as follows. Rodger found that he had a collapsed sewer pipe under his home on 3/19/09. He was in the process of cleaning up the sewage spill when a problem was discovered. Rodger was pumping the sewage into a manhole and the manhole began overflowing. Rodger called Dean Short and Dean told him that there must be a problem with the manhole on the Town's side. The Town employees immediately began the investigation with the sewer jetter. The jetter found a clogged pipe. The Town Employees found this very odd, as the pipe should not have a problem due to the age of the line being approximately 10 years old. The jetter measured the proximity of the clog and the employees began the dig to the sewer line. Upon digging, a water line, which was trenched directly through the sewer, was discovered. By trenching the water line through the sewer line, it left the sewer line with a gaping hole in which roots have grown through the years. The water line was laid by Leo Bittner some eight years ago, thus allowing eight years of inflow, infiltration, and root growth. The root growth was the cause of the sewer line backup. Rodger was the lowest point on the line and thereby backed up on him. His line became so compacted it eventually collapsed and caused the spill. Rodger continued to try to clean up the spill, however, on Friday evening, exhausted his efforts and came to the Town for help. On Monday, the Town upon being advised from the Insurance Agent and the Town Attorney began organizing cleanup efforts from outside companies. Tuesday morning, Joe Beard and Sons was to be on the job with a vacuum truck to clean up the mess. However, Joe Beard called and explained that his company was not suited for the job. So, Tuesday afternoon, Hydromax came to do the job. They came in and vacuumed up the liquid, leaving mud and sludge on the ground. Rodger called the Clerk Treasurer and told her the job was not satisfactory, therefore she called Hydromax back and explained that the Town would like for them to come back and do a complete cleanup of the spill. Hydromax came back to the spill on Wednesday and vacuumed up all of the sludge, muck, mud and liquid remaining on the ground. They then spread lime and will allow the lime a few days to kill the bacteria. They then returned the week of March 31, 2009 and spread more lime and finished with a liner of plastic. The Clerk ask Rodger for other areas that needed attention and was told that the heating and air unit could have been affected due to the black air vent falling off into the mess. Rodger also reported that he was concerned about the possibility of mold growth under the house. The Clerk called Healthy Living Spaces in order to give a quote on mold remediation as well as Lewis Heating and Plumbing in order to get an evaluation of the HVAC system. The evaluation from Lewis is not complete and unknown at the time of this meeting.

The mold remediation is more than just mold treatment. Healthy Living Spaces suggested that the entire area under Rodger's home be encapsulated with a plastic liner, which would detach the home from the earth (or infected area). HLS explained that this is the only way the moisture and vapor from the sewage spill could be contained. The total cost of the project came in at \$11,102.00 while mold remediation would cost \$837.00.

Bernard explained to HLS that the Town was not in a position to do anymore to Rodger's house. Ray Druley explained that the Town had performed the necessary cleanup and since the insurance company had denied the claim, the Town cannot take on the liability.

The Clerk reminded the Council of the County Option Income Tax meeting tonight at the Courthouse.

The next meeting will be April 13, 2009 at 6:30pm.

TOWN COUNCIL OF OWENSVILLE

DALE HENRY, PRESIDENT

BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE SESSION
APRIL 2, 2009
9:00 AM**

The Owensville Town Council met in executive session on April 2, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 9:03am. All Council Members were present along with Town Attorney, Ray Druley; the Town's insurance agent, Larry Johnson; and Clerk Treasurer, Kristy York. The purpose of the executive session was to discuss litigation which is pending. No action was taken in this meeting and no other items were discussed.

TOWN COUNCIL OF OWENSVILLE

DALE HENRY, PRESIDENT

BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 13, 2009
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on April 13, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm. All Council Members were present.

PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

In the first order of business, the Council motioned to approve the minutes from the March 9, 2009 meeting. Clyde made the motion; Dale made a second for approval of the minutes. Next, the Council approved minutes from the Executive Session on April 2, 2009. Clyde motioned to approve, then Bernard made a second to the motion; 3 ayes followed. Bernard then motioned to approve the special session minutes from April 2, 2009. Clyde made a second to the motion. All Council members voted in favor to approve these minutes.

APRIL CLAIMS

The Council approved payment of April claims in the amount of \$104,781.49. The General fund will have disbursements of \$61,258.39 Water Fund will disburse \$20,521.94; and Sewer Fund will disburse \$23,189.40. Clyde made the motion to approve these claims; Bernard made a second to the motion. Three ayes to approve payment of April claims followed.

WATER ADJUSTMENTS

Next water adjustments were discussed. Office errors as well as water leak adjustments will need to be considered. With a first motion from Bernard followed by a second from Clyde, the Council unanimously approved the following adjustments.

ACCOUNT #	ACCOUNT NAME	TYPE OF LEAK	CONS BILLED	AMT BILLED	AVG CONS	AVG MO BILL	AMT ADJ
21522000	CLYDE SCOTT	LINE LEAK	8200	\$ 113.51	5600	\$ 80.37	\$ 33.14
21522000	CLYDE SCOTT	CARRY OVER	12900	\$ 173.41	5600	\$ 80.37	\$ 93.04
10400202	THELMA CROW	POSSIBLE TOILET	4500	\$ 66.35	2000	\$ 34.49	\$ 31.86
10400202	THELMA CROW	POSSIBLE TOILET	8300	\$ 114.78	2000	\$ 34.49	\$ 80.29
10064306	JENNIFER SPARACINO	LINE LEAK	10300	\$ 151.73	4700	\$ 74.73	\$ 77.00
55015000	DENNIS MEEKS	HYDRANT LEAK	10500	\$ 78.65	3600	\$ 26.96	\$ 51.69
10300101	COREY TAYLOR	LINE LEAK	14800	\$ 213.61	2900	\$ 49.98	\$ 163.63
21930100	ELSIE HORNBAC	FAUCET LEAK	6900	\$ 101.17	2900	\$ 45.96	\$ 55.21
32620202	CYNTHIA KRUG	OVERBILLED	2600	\$ 42.14	800	\$ 34.49	\$ 7.65
10290200	MARK DURHAM	CK VALVE INSTALLED BY TOWN	9800	\$ 133.90	5000	\$ 72.73	\$ 61.18
10290200	MARK DURHAM	CK VALVE INSTALLED BY TOWN	8000	\$ 110.96	5000	\$ 72.73	\$ 38.23
			96800	\$ 1,295.98	40100	\$ 607.30	
					TOTAL		\$ 692.92

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Fire Chief made a brief presentation telling the crowd that the department had made 22 runs in March, which was down for the year, as they had been averaging 30 per month. Jeff told the crowd that the department was still working on the disaster plan and expanding it to the out of town residents. Last Saturday, the department visited the new dairy farm and got acquainted with the facility. They will soon be touring the businesses inside the corporate limits. May 4th, the State Fire Marshal will be giving a hazmat training course at the Fire Station in which the public is invited to attend. They are also working to get a CPR class together for the public. The Fire Chief ask the Council if a group effort could be made to get all housed inside the Corporate limits marked with their house numbers. From an emergency standpoint, this is very important information, which is lacking on many houses. Dale suggested that Jeff utilize the Scouts first in order to see if they might like to do a project like this.

SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT-CELL PHONES

The Clerk Treasurer read aloud the Salary Ordinance Amendment 2009-1 which makes the town- paid cell phone a fringe benefit and also allows a stipend to be paid to certain employees of the Town. Bernard made the motion to approve the ordinance. Clyde made a second to the motion and all members voted in favor of adopting the amendment to the 2009 salary ordinance.

WATER OPERATING TRANSFER AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE

The Council voted in favor of approving the amendment to the Water Operating Transfer Ordinance # 2009-2. This ordinance will change the operating transfer to \$1200 per month instead of the \$1700 per month. With a 1st motion from Bernard and a second motion from Clyde, this ordinance passed and went into effect with the month of March.

REH CENTER

The Clerk asked the Council to clarify who should fix a leak at the REH Center. The Council said that the Town should fix since it was a Town owned property.

SIDEWALKS

The Clerk reported to the Council that after Dean and Bernard inspected the sidewalk at Mary Lou Ross's residence it was deemed that the sidewalk was in definite need of repair. Dean put together estimates and a letter was sent to the 3 homeowners on the west side of the 200 block of North Main Street. The reason this was done and not just Mrs. Ross's sidewalk was because there was no good

cutoff and the entire block was in need of new sidewalks. The homeowners excitedly signed the agreements to have their sidewalks repaired. The Town provides the labor and ½ of the materials. With a first motion from Bernard followed by a second from Clyde, the Council unanimously agreed to replace this block of sidewalk. Even though Dean was not present at the meeting, he had told the Clerk that this project was likely to begin on April 20th.

2009 BUDGET

The Clerk reported that the 1782 notice had been received from the DLGF and the only cut to be made is in the Local Road and Street fund. This fund was only approved for \$30,563 instead of the requested \$31,000. The Clerk gave the Council and Dean a list of the big ticket items budgeted for 2009 so that work could begin on these items.

SEWER DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

The annual report for the Sewer Department was sent to IDEM in March as required. Paul Cluxton notified the Clerk and informed her that a target date must be submitted on the next report in which the Town will no longer be making temporary overflows at the 168 Lift Station. The Town has been under a sewer agreed order from IDEM for a few years now and that order will not be lifted until the Town complies with the IDEM rules. The Sewer Department turned in bids for the effluent flow meter. The bids were read as follows:

S&K Equipment Company, Inc.	\$5,794.00 installed
Altek	\$6274.00 installed
Pump Consultants	no information received

The Council moved to accept the lowest bid received from S&K Equipment Company, Inc. in the amount of \$5,794.00. Bernard made the motion to accept this bid. Clyde made a second to the motion. All Council Members voted in favor of this low bid.

CLEANUP DAY

The Town will host a cleanup day at the REH Center on May 9, 2009 from 7:00am until 9:30pm again this year. The Council approved the flyers to advertise for this project.

STREET DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

NAZARENE CHURCH HANDICAPPED PARKING: Ray presented the Council a draft ordinance on the handicapped parking spaces in front of the Nazarene Church. Ray ask that Dean and all Council Member review in order to determine if any changes would be required prior to the May meeting.

NO PARKING JUST NORTH OF COMMUNITY CENTER: Clyde ask the Council if it would be possible to mark off a section of no parking near the Community Center. This request came to him from Linda Davis, whom resides directly north of the Community Center. She told Clyde that there are times when she cannot get in or out of her drive due to cars blocking it. The Town Attorney suggested that if the Council wanted a portion of that street marked as no parking, then an ordinance would need to be drafted. They agreed to this suggestion. This will be reviewed at the May meeting.

WATER/SEWER FUND REPORT UPDATE

The Clerk gave the Council some good news this month in light of the water and sewer funds. It was reported that the water fund had a net gain of \$2817.30 while the sewer fund received an extra \$4345.66 in the clear. It was explained to the Council however that they should not expect that gain again in April, as the water sales were back down.

PLAN COMMISSION REPORT

PROPERTY CLEANUP: Dennis Simpson, President of the group, asked the Council if a new wave of cleanup projects could begin. He stated that the first wave of projects had been successful; however it was now time to proceed with the second phase. Dennis asked the Council how they would like to approach the next phase. He stated that the Plan Commission would be happy to document a list of properties and present them to the Council. Dale stated that would be fine. The Council could then pass the list along to the Town Marshal and let him handle the enforcements.

ABANDONED VEHICLES: Dennis asked about abandoned vehicles and allowing them to be covered with a tarp. Ray quickly reviewed the abandoned vehicle ordinance and stated that it did not allow an abandoned vehicle to be tarped. Rodger stated that some of the vehicles he had tagged earlier in the year had posed that question and he told them they could not tarp the vehicle.

PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS: Dennis said the Plan Commission would like to see private residences and businesses recognized for all property improvements. The Star Times stated that the Town could write an article to the paper notating such improvements.

TOWN MANAGER: The Plan Commission has also been discussing bringing a Town Manager on board. Dennis explained that the Plan Commission felt this could be a cost effective move for the Town. He explained that this manager could get bids, implement work schedules and keep up to date on the water and sewer laws. This manager would be a middle man between the employees and the Council. Bernard stated that he was not sure a community the size of Owensville could take on a position like this, however, maybe this manager could be shared between the South Gibson areas. The Plan Commission will acquire a better description and more information for this job creation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

MILL: Dan Dillenger was present at the meeting to discuss the cleanup of the Mill. The Council explained that a letter had been sent to Superior Ag in regard to this situation; however no response had been received. The Council asked the Town Attorney to draft a letter in regard to cleanup of the property.

COUNCIL COMMENT

STORM DAMAGE: Clyde commended the employees on a job well done when a storm came though Town on Sunday, April 5, 2009. This storm toppled trees and tombstones in Owensville Cemetery. Clyde stated that he had talked to Randy Dike about the cemetery and that cleanup will hopefully be completed before Memorial Day.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:50p.m. The next meeting will be May 11, 2009 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 11, 2009
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on May 11, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm. All Council Members were present with the exception of Bernard Thompson. Bernard called in sick.

PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

In the first order of business, the Council motioned to approve the minutes from the April 13, 2009 meeting. Clyde made the motion; Dale made a second for approval of the minutes. Both Council members voted in favor to approve these minutes.

PAYMENTS

The Council approved payment of May claims in the amount of \$105,062.68. The General fund will have disbursements of \$59,533.07 Water Fund will disburse \$18,624.16; and Sewer Fund will disburse \$26,905.45. Clyde made the motion to approve these claims; Dale made a second to the motion. Both Councilmen voted to approve payment of May claims.

WATER ADJUSTMENTS

Next water adjustments were discussed. Dale explained that water adjustments were going to be phased out. A notice of such will be placed on the June billing cards. With a first motion from Clyde followed by a second from Dale, the Council unanimously approved the following adjustments.

ACCOUNT #	ACCOUNT NAME	TYPE OF LEAK	CONS BILLED	AMT BILLED	AVG CONS	AVG MO BILL	AMT ADJ
21522000	CLYDE SCOTT	CARRY OVER	12000	\$ 161.94	5600	\$ 80.37	\$ 81.57
21945100	LOIS ANDERSON	HOSE LEFT ON	6800	\$ 95.67	3200	\$ 49.78	\$ 45.88
11045002	REBECCA RAUSCH	LEAK IN GARAGE	11100	\$ 150.47	8900	\$ 122.43	\$ 28.04
22350100	ERIC WALLS	HOSE LEFT ON	27600	\$ 360.76	4700	\$ 68.90	\$ 291.86
21620001	FRANK SMITH	LINE LEAK	10400	\$ 153.11	4700	\$ 74.73	\$ 78.38
22432100	SCOTT GARRETT RENTAL	TOILET LEAK	14600	\$ 195.08	2100	\$ 35.76	\$ 159.31
			82500	\$ 1,117.03	29200	\$ 431.97	
					TOTAL		\$ 685.04

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Jeff Roberts, Fire Chief was present to discuss all of the happenings at the Fire Department. He first apologized for the hydrant flushing that caused such a stir around town. He explained why the Fire Department was required to flush and also stated that the Town was required by IDEM to flush. They flow tested the hydrants while flushing them and they will be painted by their flow. This way, all firemen are aware of the flow when they pull up to a hydrant. The Scouts will be doing this work in order to earn merit badges. Dean asked the fire department for more help on this process in the future. Jeff stated that the Deputy Fire Marshal paid the department a visit on Monday, which proved very interesting. The firemen are working on doing some public relations events for the Watermelon Festival.

SIDEWALKS

The Clerk reported that the sidewalk project on South Main Street was complete as sidewalks had been poured and invoiced. The Clerk asked the Council to discuss the letter they had received from the Versteeg's. The Council decided they would look at the list and decide the sidewalks that needed the most attention. Dennis Simpson from the Plan Commission was present and he stated that the Plan Commission had notated that the sidewalk on South Main Street in front of the Montgomery Manufacturing was a hazard. Jack Light asked the Council if he could remove the sidewalk in front of his home and make no replacement. The Council did not see a problem with this.

2009 BUDGET

The Clerk reported that the 2009 Budget Order had been received, however caution should be used to spend, as no one is sure what the shortfall amounts will be, but they are most certain of a shortfall.

2009 CLEANUP DAY

May 9, 2009, the Town of Owensville hosted a cleanup day for the citizens of Owensville and Gibson County. The Solid Waste District provided the dumpsters; the Town provided manpower as well as the Scouts. The project ran from 7am until 9:30am. We saw a steady stream of vehicles until 9:15am and the line went away and the day ended at 9:30am. A total of 3 dumpsters were filled to capacity. The Town gave a \$100 donation to the Scouts for their help in this project. They are a huge help as they are always full of energy and willing to work!

ORDINANCES

201 S. 2nd Street-The Council approved Ordinance 2009-3. This will provide that there will be no parking 15' of either side of the drive at the Linda Davis residence (201 S. 2nd Street). Clyde made a 1st to the motion. Dale made a 2nd motion and the motion passed on a 2-0 vote.

Nazarene Church Handicapped Parking-The Council approved Ordinance 2009-4. This will provide 2 handicapped parking spots for the Church on Sunday only. Clyde made a 1st motion. Dale made a 2nd to this motion. Both councilmen voted in favor of approving this ordinance.

The above listed ordinances will be published in the Princeton Daily Clarion.

2009-2010 Economic Development Plan-The Council unanimously approved the 2009-2010 Economic Development Plan. This plan will be forwarded to the County Auditor in order to receive our edit distributions.

WATER DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

Dean suggested that an alternate source of water be sought again. This issue has been lying dormant and now IDEM is asking us to complete this project. Dale asked Dean to set up a meeting to get the project in motion again.

Dean also asked the Council to review the quotes submitted to test and clean the wells. The Council reviewed, however the quotes were not clear enough to make a decision and the Council will schedule a special meeting to discuss the quotes with those who submitted bids. The bids submitted were as follows:

National Water Service: \$642 per month or \$7704.00
Bastin Logan: \$8000
Hacker Plumbing & Drilling \$23,000

Along these same lines, a copy of the Town's Cross Connection Ordinance was given to the Council. IDEM is requesting that the Town actively enforce this ordinance. The Clerk ask everyone to review in order to determine if the ordinance was up to standards and ready to be enforced.

SEWER DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

The effluent meter has been ordered.

STREET DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

The Town has removed 30 stumps and will be removing another 20. There are a lot of grass and weed violations going on in Town. The guys asked the Council to raise the price of mowing grass and weeds. The Council stated that we will charge a minimum of \$50 per man to mow. Work release will be used this summer. They will be mowing town properties and doing some painting for us.

WATER/SEWER FUND REPORT UPDATE-RED FLAG COMPLIANCE

A report can be found following the minutes. The report was read aloud. The Clerk advised the Council that the Town was in compliance with the new Red Flag Rule and an Identity Theft Prevention Program had been drafted and will be enforced.

PLAN COMMISSION REPORT

PROPERTY CLEANUP: Dennis Simpson, President of the group, presented the Council with a list of properties they felt needed to be addressed. The Council asked the Plan Commission to turn the list over to the Town Marshal and he will inspect the properties in order to determine violations.

TOWN MANAGER: The Plan Commission told the Council they had recently learned that the Town of Ferdinand had a Town Manager and they might visit with him to find out his duties. Dale told the Plan Commission that the Council had discussed this issue and they did not feel that Owensville was suited for a Town Manager with the cost of this position being a number one opponent. Dale stated that the Town enlists professional help from engineers and the like to help keep the Town in tact with the current laws. Dennis disagreed with Dale and pointed out the loss of water the crowd had just been advised of. Dale stated that the amount of water the town loses is simply from the flushing of hydrants and the like of everyday ordinary practices and 20% losses are not uncommon for any town. Ray Druley, Town Attorney explained that most of the time when a Town Manager is hired, the utilities in the Town can pay for this service. In Owensville's case, the utilities are not available to pay for the position.

UTILITY MASTER PLAN AND DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION GRANTS BEING PURSUED

The Clerk explained that the Town was pursuing a grant and a site visit had been conducted on April 29, 2009. Ellen Harper from the Indiana Office of Community & Rural Affairs office along with Debbie Bennett Stearsman and Jeff Pruitt from the Economic Development Coalition were all present for this visit. The collected information pertaining to the grants the Town is seeking from Bernard Thompson, Dean Short, and Kristy York. There are two grants the Town is going to seek. The 1st is compensation to complete a Downtown Revitalization Plan. This plan will look at the downtown area including storefronts, street lights, sidewalks, and utilities. Most of the plans include a drawing of the vision of the downtown area. The other grant the Town is pursuing is a Master Utilities Planning Grant. This study will produce a plan addressing the water, wastewater and stormwater systems within the corporate limits of the Town. The Council voted 2-0 to approve the QBS and RFP. Clyde made the 1st motion followed by Dale making a second to the motion. The clerk explained that upon completion of these plans, the Town would then be eligible to pursue construction grants for downtown and/or utilities. Beth Packer representing Commonwealth Engineers was present at this meeting for introduction purposes and asked the Council to keep them in mind when reviewing the QBS's.

SUPERIOR AG

The Clerk reported that a letter had been received from Superior Ag to advise the Town that they will join forces with Wabash Valley Grain LLC. The letter states that they will begin operations in June. As a follow-up to last month's meeting on the Mill, the Clerk reported that the Town had not heard a response to the cleanup letter that was sent. Ray stated that he would draft a letter to them.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:45p.m. The next meeting will be June 8, 2009 at 6:30p.m.

DALE HENRY, PRESIDENT

absent

BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
MAY 20, 2009
9:00 AM**

The Owensville Town Council met in special session on May 20, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 9:00am. All Council Members were present. Others present included: Dean Short, Randy Ross, and Kristy York.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss water well testing, cleaning, and maintenance plans. Randy had invited quotes, however when the quotes came in, they were not real clear as to the services that would be provided.

WATER WELL TESTING AND CLEANING QUOTE CLARIFICATION

- The first company to be interviewed was Bastin Logan Water Services, Inc. The price they submitted was \$500 per well to test or \$2000 for all wells to be tested. Once wells are tested they will decide the critical well out of the 4 and that well will be cleaned. That charge will run \$7500. If they find parts in need of replacement that will be an additional charge, which is unknown cost depending on the parts needed and how labor intensive this might be. These items will be brought to Randy or the Council's attention prior to replacement in order to receive the okay to proceed. The bare minimum cost will be \$9500.
- The next company to be interviewed was Hacker Plumbing and Drilling, Inc. The price submitted was \$23,000. This price was submitted by Tim without knowing the true scope of the project. Randy left a message on his machine telling him that the Town had received a violation from IDEM and the wells would need to be tested, cleaned and a maintenance program established. He assumed from the message that he would have to extensively clean the wells and therefore, the price that was out of line from the other 2 bids. Tim Hacker has extensive knowledge of our wells and made several suggestions to the Town on how to proceed with the maintenance plan in order to not to have to rely on a company to produce the results IDEM is requesting. One suggestion that Tim made was the Town install a component on the well that would allow the Operator to take water level measurements in order to determine if the wells are running at full capacity. Once this charting begins, it will allow for the Town to determine when a well would need to be cleaned. Tim requested that the Town allow him to submit a new quote since he was now aware of what the Town needed. The Town will allow this submission.
- The last company to discuss their quote was National Water Services. They submitted a quote to test and clean wells with a monthly payment of \$642. This equates to \$7704 per year. This quote was much like the quote from Bastin Logan in that they would test the wells in order to find the well in need of critical cleaning. Any work outside this, would incur additional costs.

The Council tabled this item until a new quote can be submitted by Hacker Plumbing and Drilling, Inc.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

The Clerk Treasurer submitted a conflict of interest statement to the Council due to the fact that the Park & Recreation Board contracts the mowing of their properties with the Clerk Treasurer's spouse. This statement will be mailed to State Board of Accounts and the Clerk of the Circuit Court.

STORM SEWER PIPE REPLACEMENT @ 405 E. WARRICK STREET

Lastly, the Council approved the replacement of a storm sewer pipe on the property of 405 E. Warrick Street. When the Town installed this pipe many years ago, it was a concrete pipe of some sort that did not allow proper sealing. This sealing has over the years depleted, causing erosion on the property. The Town will replace the concrete pipe with PVC pipe. This work will be done after the property dries out.

POTHOLE PATCHING

Dean told the Council that he will be doing pothole patching this week in front of the Bank, at the corner of Rock & Scott Streets, and at First and Bittner Streets. There will be other potholes filled, but these are the main places that will be worked on. A roller will be rented in order to make the patches a more permanent fix.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:30 a.m. The next meeting will be May 21, 2009 at 1:00p.m. The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss an alternate supply of water with Gibson Water.

TOWN COUNCIL OF OWENSVILLE

DALE HENRY, PRESIDENT

BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
MAY 26, 2009
1:00 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in special session on May 26, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 1:06pm. Dale Henry & Clyde Scott represented the Town Council. Others present included: Dean Short, Randy Ross, Kristy York, Eric Callis, Marion Jochim, and Steve from Gibson Water. Dennis Simpson entered the meeting at approximately 2:45pm.

GIBSON WATER – ALTERNATE SUPPLY OF WATER FOR OWENSVILLE

The main purpose of this meeting was to discuss an alternative source of water with Gibson Water. In July 2007, the Town laid out plans to make a connection to Gibson Water at the corner of 475 South and 625 West. Gibson Water was to supply the Town with an emergency supply of water at a maximum rate of 150,000 gallons per day. The Town would install the line under the direction of Gibson Water. The Town would have to acquire the easements, which Gibson Water stated they offer \$2 per foot when they purchase easements. The line will be energized at all times. After that July 7th meeting, everything died out. The Town asked to get the ball rolling again in order to accomplish this task. After a lengthy discussion in regard to this particular connection route, discussion lead to a new line Gibson Water has installed near our wells in order to supply East Mt. Carmel as well as Gibson Generating Station. The new line is in the vicinity of 250S and Hwy 65 North. The line is 8" instead of the 10" we were originally going to use. However, with this line being so close to the well field, it was decided that this option would be discussed prior to moving forward. The line would be much shorter, easements would be much less, and it appears the vault that would need to be installed could go directly on the Town's property, creating a much better situation with, hopefully, less cost involved. Steve will take the information back to his board and engineers and discuss the new route for connection. In addition to this, he will also discuss changing the agreement from emergency use to supplemental usage. The reasoning behind this is held in the fact that we will have a 4" meter installed for this project. Gibson Water charges a minimum bill of \$228.97 for a 4" meter with the possibility of using up to 37,000 gallons of water. Therefore, the Council asked if we could use the minimum each month, if we were going to pay the price regardless. Steve could not grant that condition until approved by the board. Steve presented a contract for Emergency Water Purchase in which he asked the Council and all present to review. He stated that there would obviously be changes to parts of the agreement; however the basis will remain intact. The next meeting will be held in July in order to permit the farmers that sit on the Wellhead Protection Planning Team to be present. The meeting was scheduled for July 8, 2009 at 1pm.

QUOTES ON CLEANING & TESTING WELLS AWARDED

The council reviewed the quote from Hacker Plumbing and Drilling Inc. in which he quoted cleaning of well #1 as well as flow testing and reporting other wells for recommendations at \$4800. This was the lowest price bid to perform this job combined with the fact that Tim Hacker has performed services for the Town before and is quite familiar with our wells. Taking a suggestion from Dean and Randy, the Council approved the quote from Hacker to perform the testing and cleaning of the wells. Clyde made a first motion. Dale made a 2nd to the motion. Both councilmen approved the quote.

SIDEWALKS

The Council discussed the sidewalk project again and how they would like to approach the situation. Clyde informed Dale that he had inspected the sidewalk at 101 South Scott Street, Peter and Debra Versteeg. Clyde confirmed the sidewalk as a potential hazard and furthermore stated that Versteeg's were 2nd in line on the sidewalk list. Dean stated that he would calculate the sidewalk quote and present this to the Council at the next meeting. The Council can decide their direction in this matter at that time. The Clerk reminded the Council that budget time was quickly approaching and they should decide their plans on sidewalk renovations for the upcoming budget as well as other projects they wish to budget in 2010. The Clerk reminded them to think about salaries, health savings account contributions, etc., which would have to go into the budget plans.

ROCK/SAND STORAGE BIN CONSTRUCTION

Dean asked the Council if they would like to buy the concrete tiles stored at the Sewer Plant in order to install a rock/sand storage pad. Dean stated that he had called A&T Concrete and it would cost approximately \$2500 to purchase. The Council tabled the issue for now and asked Dean to get a price on the Town constructing this.

MEETING ADJOURNED

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:20 p.m. The next meeting will be June 8, 2009 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 8, 2009
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on June 8, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm. All Council Members were present; however Bernard did excuse himself at approximately 7pm.

PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

In the first order of business, the Council motioned to approve the minutes from the May 11, 2009 meeting. Bernard made the motion; Clyde made a second for approval of the minutes. Next Clyde motioned to approve the May 20, 2009 minutes. Bernard made a second to the motion. Lastly Bernard motioned to approve the May 26th minutes, while Clyde made a second to the motion. All Council members voted in favor to approve all of the above listed minutes.

PAYMENTS

The Council approved payment of June claims in the amount of \$102,629.86. The General fund will have disbursements of \$61,176.34 Water Fund will disburse \$18,400.81; and Sewer Fund will disburse \$23,052.71. Bernard made the motion to approve these claims; Clyde made a second to the motion. All Councilmen voted to approve payment of June claims.

WATER ADJUSTMENTS

Next water adjustments were discussed. With a first motion from Clyde followed by a second from Bernard, the Council unanimously approved the following adjustments.

ACCOUNT #	ACCOUNT NAME	TYPE OF LEAK	CONS BILLED	AMT BILLED	AVG CONS	AVG MO BILL	AMT ADJ
21916200	ROSARAH GODWIN	OUTSIDE LINE LEAK	24,800	\$ 325.08	2200	\$ 37.04	\$ 288.04
21960000	LORENA WILDER	OUTSIDE LINE LEAK	18,100	\$ 239.68	1000	\$ 34.49	\$ 205.19
			42,900	\$ 564.76	3200	\$ 71.53	
					TOTAL		\$ 493.23

OVERSIZED LOADS TO PASS THRU OWENSVILLE

The Town Council voted 3-0 with a first from Bernard followed by a second from Clyde to allow Bigge Crane and Rigging Company to move approximately 60 oversized loads thru Town @ a cost of \$50 per load. More specifically the loads will move from Highway 165 North, south on Church Street, turning right on Walnut moving east out of Town. David Trowbridge told Bigge that a company had come thru measuring and they told him that if there were wires pulled from someone's home, while the movers were passing thru, it would be the homeowner's responsibility to repair. Bigge denied that claim and stated they would repair damages. They will post a \$100,000 road bond, provide a certificate of insurance in the amount of one-million dollars and all limbs they plan to cut down will be disposed. Ray stated that the money received can be deposited into the general or street funds.

TOWN BOUNDARIES ORDINANCE

The Town's boundaries need to be defined, as Lamac Engineering researched all annexations but found some dead-ends. Lamac suggested that the Town create an ordinance defining their boundaries. The issue was tabled.

TRACTOR QUOTES

The following quotes were received on a tractor to replace the Kubota MX5000-Bt.

	Stone & Stemle	J&L Equipment	Tri-County Equipment
	John Deere 5083E	Case Farmall 85C	Kubota M7040 HDC
Tractor Bid	\$32,675	\$39,400	\$37,724
Loader Bid	\$ 4,650	\$ 7,500	\$ 5,839
Total Cost	\$37,325	\$46,900	\$43,563
Less Trade	(\$15,000)	(\$00000)	(\$21,398)
	\$22,325	\$46,900	\$22,165
Wheel Wghts	\$ 800	\$ 501	\$ 672
Total Cost	\$23,125	\$47,401	\$22,837

BACKHOE QUOTES

	Diamond Equipment Co.	Whayne	K&W
	Case 580 SM 4x4	Cat 416E 4X4	John Deere 310 SJ 4X4
Backhoe Bid	\$69,610	\$79,503.72	\$84,500
Less Trade	(\$25,000)	(\$31,789.00)	(\$35,000)
Total Cost	\$44,610	\$47,714.72	\$49,500

The Tractor was purchased in 2005 at a cost of \$21,000. They would like to trade because it does not have a cab and does not work well while trying to plow snow.

The backhoe was purchased August 2000 at a cost of \$48,039. They recently put \$1000 into the backhoe for repairs and would like to trade while the value is still there.

Dean asked the Council to take the bids under advisement, as he asked the bidders to place sealed bids and therefore, he has not been able to view the bids. The council acted on Dean's suggestion and took all bids under advisement. Bernard made the motion; Clyde made a second to the motion and all council members voted in favor of this action.

GIBSON COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES

Gibson County Animal Services sent the Town a letter advising the Town that they would need to enter into an agreement with them in order for them to provide services to the incorporated areas of town. The Clerk called Emmy Corp to try to find out the cost of this service and Ms. Foley advised her to tell the Council a meeting to discuss this would be the best. The Council advised the Clerk to schedule a meeting with them on June 17, 2009 at 9am. LaDonna Johnson was present at the meeting to request that the Council find a place on Town property to start an animal shelter. Dale stated that they will meet with Emmy Corp prior to making any decisions. Ms. Johnson asked if she would be permitted to attend the meeting. She was told that it would be a public meeting and she would be welcome to attend this or any meeting.

**WATER DEPARTMENT INFORMATION
SEWER DEPARTMENT INFORMATION
STREET DEPARTMENT INFORMATION**

Dean told the Council that he had inspected the sidewalks on the list as well as the sidewalk on Main Street that was reported to be a hazard. Dean calculated the sidewalks and the estimates came in under the amount remaining in the appropriation. The Council told Dean to proceed with the project.

UTILITY MASTER PLAN AND DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION GRANTS BEING PURSUED

The clerk told the Council that RFQ's are supposed to be submitted by June 26, 2009 and meetings would need to be established to interview those submitting the RFQ's.

CLERK TREASURER'S REPORT

The Clerk submitted the May Fund report as well as a copy of the water/sewer information to the Council. She asked if there were any questions; there were none. A copy of the current salary ordinance, a current salary and benefit chart was submitted showing the Council all employees' salaries, hourly wage, insurance cost, health savings cost, clothing allowances, cell phone stipends and deferred compensation benefit. The Clerk asked the Council to decide what they would like to do about these items in the 2010 budget. A spreadsheet was presented to Council showing the July increase to healthcare of 10.8%.

PROPERTY CLEAN UP

Dale asked how property clean up was progressing thru Town. Rodger stated that all yards tagged have complied. He asked the Council about the property at 309 Certain Street. This property butts up to the baseball park and the back portion of that property is beginning to become a health issue as it was a mosquito harbor. Dean stated that the Town had cleaned the property up many years ago and asked if they could do so again. Dale stated that the Town should clean it up without charging, since this is a natural ditch for the Town's drainage. Mr. Druley determined that with this being a health issue, the Town would be allowed to clean.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – K-9 UNIT

The Police Department presented information in regard to the purchase of a k-9 unit. A short discussion ensued in regard to this issue. Jason told the Council that he would be traveling to pick up the dog and attend classes. He stated that he would be taking the police truck. No votes were taken on this matter.

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:00p.m. The next meeting will be June 17, 2009 at 9:00a.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 & BUDGET ADOPTION
OCTOBER 12, 2009
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on October 12, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm. All Council Members were present.

PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

September 14, 2009 Meeting:: 1st Motion: Bernard 2nd Motion: Clyde VOTE: 3 AYES 0 NAYES

OCTOBER CLAIMS

The Council approved payment of October claims in the amount of \$110,474.52. The General fund will have disbursements of \$64,509.41 Water Fund will disburse \$21,740.07; and Sewer Fund will disburse \$24,225.04.

1st Motion: Bernard 2nd Motion: Clyde VOTE: 3 AYES 0 NAYES

WATER ADJUSTMENTS

ACCOUNT #	ACCOUNT NAME	TYPE OF LEAK	CONS BILLED	AMT BILLED	AVG CONS	AVG MO BILL	AMT ADJ
49030000	KAREN TEEL	LINE LEAK	8,500	\$63.67	3300	\$24.72	-\$38.95
54095103	LAURA DAVIS	MISREAD METER	3100	\$23.22	1300	\$14.98	-\$8.24
10240100	JOSHUA GREENE	MISREAD METER	200	\$34.49	0	\$0.00	-\$34.49
10495010	ROBERT WARDRIP	DECEASED					-\$13.38
21472000	ALBERT WHITE	DECEASED					-\$11.32
					TOTAL		(\$106.38)

1st Motion: Clyde 2nd Motion: Bernard VOTE: 3 AYES 0 NAYES

Robert Moore submitted his October bill to the Clerk and requested that she ask the Council to adjust his bill as he had a leak in the basement that he was unaware of until the Town read his meter. The Council denied the adjustment as sewer sprinkling credit had already been issued.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Jeff Roberts, OMTFPD Fire Chief stated that he did not have a lot of information to report to the Council, however he would like to inform the public about the possibility of the Fire Department offering CPR classes to the public in order to see if they would have enough interest in hosting the class. He asked that all interested persons to contact the Fire Department and leave a message of their interest.

WATER DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

Clyde stated that after reviewing the water loss, he would like to see the guys take a more proactive approach on fixing the leak on Mill & Warrick Streets. David told the Council that he would tell Dean and most likely they would start the repairs by severing the old line and installing a new one to replace the unknown leak. He also questioned the last time the meter at the wells was changed. David advised that it was recent.

SEWER DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

STREET DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

Leaf pick up will begin soon. Clyde asked the guys to let the office know so it can be put into the paper. David Julian presented quotes to the Council for a new mower. The quotes came in as follows:

Tri-County Equipment	2009 Kubota BX2360RV60 23 HP Diesel 4WD	Trade Difference:\$8500
Stone & Stemle	2009 John Deere 2305 Diesel 4WD	Trade Difference: \$7300
M.R.K. Equipment	New Cub Cadet Yanmar SC2400 24HP Diesel 4WD	Trade Difference:\$7674

David told the Council their preference was the Kubota tractor. The test drive on it handled the hill at the sewer plant much better than the other tractors. With a 3-0 vote the Council moved to purchase the Kubota Mower from Tri-County Equipment.

1st Motion: Bernard 2nd Motion: Clyde VOTE: 3 AYES 0 NAYES

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Rodger approved the trick or treat times with the Town Council. He will ask that people trick or treat at houses that have their lights on only. Flashlights should be used in order make trick-or-treaters more visible. He told the Council that he plans on having multiple coverage on Halloween weekend, if not before. Vandalism will not be tolerated. Although dates are not certain, Owensville PD in conjunction with the Ft. Branch PD will be conducting Meth Awareness Classes. Dayspring Church is planning on doing a class on November 4 at the Church & November 14 at the REH Center. They plan to host a class in Ft. Branch on or about October 28, 2009.

PLAN COMMISSION REPORT

DOWNTOWN MASTER PLAN

The Town was rejected for the Downtown revitalization plan however; they can reapply for the grant in which they would match the grant at 10%. The Council agreed that they would like to proceed with this application.

UTILITY MASTER PLAN

The Town was approved for a Utility Master Plan in the amount of \$48,600. Work will begin on this shortly.

CLARK STREET (NO PARKING EXCEPT ON SUNDAY)

The Council reviewed an ordinance for Clark Street, which was unanimously approved. The ordinance permits parking on both sides of Clark Street between Main and Mill on Sunday only. Parking is prohibited on this street otherwise. Signs shall be posted and the ordinance will be published one time. Violators will receive a \$10 fine on the 1st violation and \$20 fine for subsequent violations.

FIREWORKS

Town Attorney, Ray Druley furnished everyone with a draft ordinance to review.

GOLF CART ORDINANCE

The Town Attorney presented everyone a draft copy for allowing golf carts on the street.

ATV ORDINANCE

An ATV ordinance has not been drafted. Mr. Druley thought it might be in the best interest to wait until the Golf Cart Ordinance was complete prior to getting into the ATV ordinance, which could mirror the Golf Cart Ordinance. Roger reminded citizen's that since the ATV ordinance was not in effect, all ATV's should be kept off the roads.

CLERK TREASURER'S REPORT

The Clerk submitted the September water/sewer information to the Council as well as a September Fund Report. She asked if there were any questions; there were none.

ADJOURNMENT/UPCOMING MEETING DATES

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:30p.m. The next meeting will be November 9, 2009 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
NOVEMBER 10, 2009
6:30 PM**

The Owensville Town Council met in regular session on November 10, 2009. The meeting was called at approximately 6:30pm. All Council Members were present.

PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

October 12, 2009 Meeting: 1st Motion: Clyde 2nd Motion: Bernard VOTE: 3 AYES 0 NAYES

NOVEMBER CLAIMS

The Council approved payment of November claims in the amount of \$214,080.74. The General fund will have disbursements of \$155,212.73 Water Fund will disburse \$25,303.66; and Sewer Fund will disburse \$33,564.35.

1st Motion: Bernard 2nd Motion: Clyde VOTE: 3 AYES 0 NAYES

WATER ADJUSTMENTS

ACCOUNT #	ACCOUNT NAME	TYPE OF LEAK	CONS BILLED	AMT BILLED	AVG CONS	AVG MO BILL	AMT ADJ
10910100	PATSY ARMSTRONG	LINE LEAK DID NOT GO THRU SEWER	9200	\$126.25	3400	\$74.05	\$52.20
32570000	Gen Baptst Parsng	Misbilled	2400	\$39.59	7400	\$93.41	\$53.83
10170000	Larry Bemis	Credit balance on acct					.48
32648001	Pamela Hyatt	Credit balance on acct					2.78
21678002	William R. Main	Moved credit balance to 22025102					
22120000	Dennis Simpson Rent House	Moved credit balance to 21996000				TOTAL	

1st Motion: Clyde 2nd Motion: Bernard VOTE: 3 AYES 0 NAYES

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT
SEWER DEPARTMENT INFORMATION
WATER DEPARTMENT INFORMATION**

Randy stated that all seemed to be going well. There are still several things needing done such as cleaning of another well. Dale asked if there was sufficient lighting in the well field area. Dean suggested that more lighting be installed on the west side of the well field. Randy stated the area was poorly secured and wondered if a fence could be installed. He stated that most other communities have fences around their areas.

STREET DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

Dean reported that the Main Street project was complete.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Rodger submitted his monthly report and asked the Council to consider the purchase of an automatic scan technology program for the vehicles. This auto-scan program is being used by most all departments. The program would allow for the department to scan driver's license and print a ticket on the spot or create crash reports on the spot. The program including the printer will cost approximately \$640 per vehicle. Tickets cost \$.87 each. The first year, the system will print tickets out at \$1.06 each. After the first 600 tickets are printed, it will only cost \$.07 per ticket. The Council gave their approval for the purchase.

PLAN COMMISSION REPORT

Larry York submitted his resignation. The Plan Commission will make recommendations for his replacement. Dennis Simpson, Plan Commission President told the Council that he would like the commission to survey residents on a door to door basis in order find out what they would like to see in Owensville. The Council asked about hosting a meeting for such; however the commission felt they might get more from people on a 1 to 1 basis.

A letter addressed to the North Park Corporation was approved for sending. The letter request that the Dollar General Store supply a grocery line of products in the new store that is to be operational before Christmas. The letter will be sent as soon as the meeting adjourns.

The Plan Commission asked the Council to attend the December 7, 2009 meeting of the plan commission.

FIREWORKS ORDINANCE 2009-7

A fireworks ordinance was passed. Ordinance # 2009-07 was passed and will be published in the Clarion 1 time.

1st Motion: Bernard 2nd Motion: Clyde VOTE: 3 AYES 0 NAYES

GOLF CART ORDINANCE 2009-6

The Golf Cart Ordinance #2009-6 was unanimously approved by the Council. This ordinance will be published 1 time in the Clarion.

1st Motion: Clyde 2nd Motion: Bernard VOTE: 3 AYES 0 NAYES

ATV ORDINANCE

Town Attorney, Ray Druley, did not draft an ATV Ordinance for the Council. Ray's interpretation of the code does not allow for such an ordinance. Danny Kautzman was present at the meeting; he questioned the interpretation and questioned how other towns in Indiana could make ordinance's allowing them, but Owensville could not. After lengthy discussion, Dale, Town Council President stated that he would check with the Attorney General's office in order to see if he could clarify the code. Ray explained to all present that even if the Attorney General's office makes a ruling, the Town could still be potentially liable.

ROCK ROAD/FIRST STREET- STREET LIGHT/POLE REMOVAL REQUEST

The Council President signed a letter addressed to Duke Energy requesting that they remove the street light on Rock Road & First Street due to farm traffic at that corner. Removal of the street light and pole will allow the farm traffic to negotiate the corner more efficiently. The Council also agreed to Dennis Simpson's request to move the stop sign and street signs at the location.

FIBER OPTIC LINE INSTALLATION IN OWENSVILLE

Dennis Simpson asked the Council about the fiber optic line being installed through town. Dale told everyone present that the line started in Griffin and would move thru Owensville on the State's right of way. Dale told them the line will support telephone, cable, etc. Dennis Simpson asked who would be responsible for repairs on the property when sink holes begin in the next few years. Dale told them the state would be responsible since it is on their right of way.

ANIMAL ORDINANCE

After Officer Leister questioned the fact that the animal ordinance dating back to 1988 had not been signed, it was decided that the Council would rewrite this ordinance. This ordinance will be reviewed in upcoming meetings.

ANIMAL TRAP LOAN AGREEMENT

An animal trap loan agreement was drafted and approved by the Council. This will allow the town to loan out the traps recently purchased to town residents.

NEW YEAR'S EVE HOLIDAY ADDITION FOR 2009

Due to the Council not funding raises for 2010, Councilman Scott proposed allowing the employees December 31, 2009 as a holiday. The Council agreed in whole to allow December 31, 2009 as a 2009 paid holiday. An amendment to the Ordinance will be made and presented at an upcoming meeting.

1st Motion: Clyde

2nd Motion: Bernard

VOTE: 3 AYES 0 NAYES

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CITIZEN CONCERNS

Jeff Matsel asked the council about replacing curbs on North Second Street. He wondered what the procedure was on replacing the curbs. Jeff wondered about rebuilding the curb himself. The Council did not recommend him doing this. Danny Kautzman asked who would liable for crumbling curbs into the street. Dale told him that it would not be the home owner's liability.

DOWNTOWN PLANNING GRANT

The Town adopted a slum and blight area declaratory resolution in preparation of filing an application with Office of Rural and Community Affairs.

1st Motion: Bernard

2nd Motion: Clyde

VOTE: 3 AYES 0 NAYES

ADJOURNMENT/UPCOMING MEETING DATES

With no other issues to discuss, the council adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:15p.m. The next meeting will be November 23, 2009 at 9:00a.m. This will be a public hearing in regard to the Downtown Redevelopment Plan.

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BERNARD THOMPSON, MEMBER

CLYDE D SCOTT, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kristy York, Clerk Treasurer

**OWENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
YEAR END MEETING
DECEMBER 29, 2009
9:00 AM**

The Owensville Town Council met in special session on December 29, 2009. The meeting was called at approximately 9:00am. All Council Members were present.

PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

December 14, 2009 Meeting

1st Motion: Clyde 2nd Motion: Bernard VOTE: 3 AYES 0 NAYES

YEAR END CLAIMS

The Council approved payment of December year end claims in the amount of \$133,460.46. The General fund will have disbursements of \$35,960.10 Water Fund will disburse \$10,522.18; and Sewer Fund will disburse \$86,978.18.

1st Motion: Bernard 2nd Motion: Clyde VOTE: 3 AYES 0 NAYES

ADJOURNMENT/UPCOMING MEETING DATES

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