

CITY OF HARTFORD
WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 17, 2012

The workshop meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Mayor Ted Johnson

Members present: Rodney Austin, Frank Dockter, Rick Hall, Leo Latus, John Miller, and Ted Johnson.

Members absent: Dennis Goss;

Staff present: Akinwale, Beltran, Gray and Rodney-Isbrecht

Motion by Dockter, supported by Hall, to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried 6 – 0

Guests:

- Chris Cowgill, Wightman Jones – Recommending final pay estimate for the Ely Park Project. South Center Street project will be having the final walk through with MDOT & the City to develop the punch list.
- Linda Gray, & Faith Dowd, Van Buren Senior Services Board Representatives gave an in-depth annual report.
- Bob Gerbel, Gerbel & Company – 2011/2012 Audit Report, gave a clean opinion, best opinion you can receive, the city has received this rating for the past several years. The City is to be commended on operating conservatively in these tough economic times.

Public Comment:

- Bill McLaughlin, East Main Street, compliments regarding South Center Street Project

Communications were:

- Fire Prevention parade on October 13, 2012 at 1:00pm; Pancake breakfast on Sunday, October 7th from 7:00am – Noon.
- Planning Commission Seat available, there are three individuals interested in the position, Matt Sanborn, Rebecca Dill and Jeff Fuller.

Goals/Objectives –

- Sidewalk replacement, two bids were received; Banic Construction was the low bidder of \$9,960. Sidewalks within the DDA area will be paid for by the DDA.

Reports submitted:

- ***Police Dept & Ordinance Report*** – Would like to see a stricter grass and weed ordinance.
- ***Department of Public Works*** – Superintendent unavailable.
- ***Waste Water Treatment Plant*** –
- ***Treasurers & Investment & List of Bills Report*** –
- ***City Managers Report*** – Pokagon/Hartford Area Local Revenue Sharing Board close to coming to a distribution date but not sure of the amount, three areas to be considered, actual claim, payment in lieu of taxes represents 65% of that fund the last part is general distribution the City's share is 35% payment will be made by October 1st direct deposit; South Center Street Reconstruction Project; Sidewalk Inspection & Replacement

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Old Business: None Discussed

New Business:

- Appointment to Planning Commission
- Resolution 2012 – 008 accepting the 2011/2012 Audit
- Ely Park Final Pay Estimate

Motion by Hall, supported by Miller, to adjourn the meeting at 8:53P.M.

Motion carried 6 - 0

Respectfully Submitted,

RoxAnn Rodney-Isbrecht, City Clerk