

TOWN OF INOLA

The Inola Town Board of Trustees met in regular session Monday evening at 6:30 p.m. January 29, 2001 in the Town Hall Meeting Room. Mayor Grigg called the meeting to order and answering to roll call were Lonnie Chasteen, Erin Oquin, Duane Helling and Tommie Grigg. Also present were Attorney Larry Steidley, Administrator Chris Veltema, Clerk Wilma Cargill and Treasurer Becky Cox. There is one vacant seat.

Erin made a motion to approve the minutes of 01-08-01 as presented 2nd by Duane. Voting yes were Lonnie, Erin, Duane and Tommie. A/A

There was no communication from the floor.

Approval of employee policy manual was tabled.

Approval of the school storm water plan was tabled. Kenneth Schawb was present but hasn't been able to contact the school engineer to review the detention pond report. Mr. Schawb advised the board should be able to approve the plan by the next meeting.

Chris advised council members a lady has contacted him several times concerning the purchase of a cemetery burial plot in Sweeten Cemetery. Chris advised he has spoken the the attorney and some legal work needs to be done. The board advised him to get an estimate of a title opinion, abstract and survey before any action is taken.

There was one application for the vacant seat in writing from Dean Spurlock and Terry Powers was present with interest to accept the nomination. There was no action.

There were six applicants for the full time police position. Police Chief Wilmott interviewed three. Roy Cannon, Jim McIntire and Mark Redden. Chris made the recommendation to hire Mr. Cannon stating as town administrator it was his responsibility to recommend the best and most qualified for the position and the chief's recommendation was Mark Redden adding that Mark is not a full certified officer but he is a reserve certified officer and Mark has volunteered a lot of hours for several months when the town was short handed. Also Mark has a year to become certified the same as Mike Lofton did. There was some discussion concerning this matter as which recommendation should be considered, Chris or Chief Wilmott.

Erin made a motion to hire Mark Redden as full time police officer at the rate of \$1,600.00 per month 2nd by Tommie. Voting yes were Erin, Duane and Tommie. Lonnie voted no. Motion carried.

Chief Wilmott gave a police report on the activity in the last month. He advised there has been several problems within the department. Tonya Mahan and Mike Lofton both have quit the department and some other issue that need to be addressed. There was some other concerns on different issues.

Chief Wilmott made the recommendation to promote Allen Owen as full time dispatcher since Tonya quit as dispatcher.

Duane made the motion to promote Allen Owen as full time dispatcher 2nd by Lonnie.

Voting yes were Lonnie, Erin, Duane and Tommie. A/A

Lonnie made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as presented 2nd by Erin. Voting yes were Lonnie, Erin, Duane and Tommie. A/A

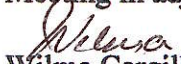
Erin made a motion to go into PWA at 7:39 p.m. 2nd by Lonnie. Voting yes were Lonnie, Erin, Duane and Tommie----back in regular session at 8:08 p.m.

In administrator's comments the board was briefed on Cable franchise agreement, the town has purchased land for a cemetery, FHC is working on new map for Highland Cemetery and the projects the inmates are working on.

Erin made a motion to approve the P O's as initialed 2nd by Duane. Voting yes were Lonnie, Erin, Duane and Tommie. A/A

Duane made a motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. 2nd by Lonnie. Voting yes were Lonnie, Erin, Duane and Tommie. A/A

Meeting in adjournment:


Wilma Cargill
Town Clerk


Tommie Grigg
Mayor