

HEBRON ESTATES REGULAR MEETING

OCT. 3, 2000

PRESENT: COMM. FRALEY, MURPHY, RUSSELL, TUCKER, MAYOR RICKETTS, CLERK FERGUSON, ATT. EDISON, MR. BARR PIONEER NEWS, & SEVEN GUESTS. *Burke 143*

MINUTES: MOTION WAS MADE BY COMM. TUCKER AND SECONDED BY COMM. FRALEY TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.

BUDGET: MOTION WAS MADE BY COMM. FRALEY AND SECONDED BY COMM. TUCKER TO PAY THE REGULAR BILLS, TAX BILL PRINTING, TAX ROLL BOOK, & ETC. MOTION PASSED.

OLD BUSINESS: ATT. EDISON CONDUCTED THE SECOND READING OF ORD. 2000-6 TAXATION OF REAL PROPERTY. MOTION WAS MADE BY COMM. TUCKER AND SECONDED BY COMM. MURPHY FOR THE TAX RATE TO BE .106. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY PASSED. *Fraley*

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 2000-07 REGARDING THE TAXATION OF PUBLIC SERVICE WAS HELD BY ATTORNEY EDISON. MOTION WAS MADE BY COMM. MURPHY AND SECONDED BY COMM. TUCKER FOR THE TAX RATE TO BE .106 SAME AS PROPERTY TAXES. MOTION PASSED. *Murphy*

COMM. FRALEY PRESENTED AN INFORMATIVE SHEET "ENTITLED DO WE REALLY NEED AN OCCUPATIONAL TAX?" COMM FRALEY HAD MANY QUESTIONS AS TO THE NEED FOR A COMMUNITY CENTER OR SENIOR CITIZENS BUILDING--SHE SUGGESTED RENTING ONE FIRST AND SEEING IF THE CITIZENS WOULD USE IT ; SHE THINKS WE SHOULD FORGET SIDEWALKS THAT IT WOULD BE TOO COSTLY, AND THIS SUBDIVISION WAS NOT DEVELOPED WITH SIDEWALKS. SHE LISTED THE CITY ROADS, WHEN LAST PAVED AND PROJECTED PAVING IN EIGHT TO TEN YEARS. FOLLOWING MUCH DISCUSSION, IT SEEMED THAT THE COMMISSIONERS PRESENT WERE ON HOLD FOR OCCUPATIONAL TAX AT THIS TIME. MR. MCGUFFIN OPPOSED RENTING A CITY HALL IMMEDIATELY. MAYOR RICKETTS ASK FOR SUGGESTIONS ON THE BUILDING TO BE GIVEN TO HIM.

MAYOR RICKETTS LED A DISCUSSION ON BLACK TOPPING ON E. HEBRON LANE AND SOME DRAINAGE DITCHES BEING REPAIRED. HE DOES NOT AGREE IT WILL COST HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS. STATE REPRESENTATIVE BELCHER EXPLAINED THAT IT COST \$4,000 TO MOVE THE LGE POLE AT THE E. HEBRON AND PRESTON INTERSECTION. THE EXACT AMOUNT OF THE PROJECT WAS UNKNOWN. MAYOR RICKETTS READ A LETTER FROM MAGO THAT STATED \$16,500 SHOULD BE LEFT FROM THE WIDENING OF THE INTERSECTION AT E. HEBRON LANE AND PRESTON. IT WAS THE OPINION OF SEVERAL IN ATTENDANCE THAT THE LEFT OVER MONEYS WOULD BE USED TO BLACKTOP AS FAR UP E. HEBRON LANE AS POSSIBLE. STATE REPRESENTATIVE EXPLAINED THAT A NEW PROJECT WOULD HAVE TO BE APPROVED.

THIS DID NOT SET WELL AMONG THE VISITORS. MAYOR RICKETTS WILL CHECK WITH THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SEE ABOUT MONEYS LEFT BEING USED FOR BLACKTOP ON E. HEBRON LANE. CLERK FERGUSON SPOKE VERY STRONGLY THAT THE LGE POLE WAS TO BE AT NO COST AND THE CITY HAD A DEED OWNING 10 FT. OF RIGHT AWAY ON THE CORNER. SHE ALSO QUESTIONED THE WHEREABOUTS OF \$5,000 PROMISED BY JUDGE RIGDON. REP. BELCHER DID NOT KNOW BUT MAYOR RICKETTS AGREED TO FIND OUT. IT WAS GENERAL CONSENSUS THAT IF MONEYS COULD BE FOUND FROM STATE AND/OR COUNTY THAT THE CITY WOULD FINISH IT OUT TO BLACKTOP E. HEBRON LANE TO THE GIRL SCOUT CAMP. HOWEVER, RESIDENTS PRESENT WERE VOCAL AGAINST HAVING CITY TAXES RAISED TO MAINTAIN E. HEBRON WITH THE SCHOOL TRAFFIC. ATTORNEY EDISON ADVISED THAT A COST OF MORE THAN \$10,000 WOULD HAVE TO BE BID. MAYOR RICKETTS HOPES TO FIND A WAY TO GET E. HEBRON LANE BLACK TOPPED BEFORE BAD WEATHER.

3. MUIR WAS CONCERNED ABOUT ABANDONED CARS IN THE CITY. JUNK AND ABANDONED CARS ON THE LINKENHOKER PROPERTY WILL BE TAKEN CARE OF BY MAYOR RICKETTS. MOTION WAS MADE TO ADJOURN BY COMM. TUCKER AND SECONDED BY COMM. FRALEY WHICH PASSED. NEXT MEETING WILL BE NOV. 7 @ 7:00 P.M.

Herschel Ricketts