Minutes of Greenville Town Council Meeting March 8, 2004

President Dave Matthews called the regular monthly meeting to order. Councilpersons present were Janet Wright, Hanzel Barclay, James McKown, and Dave Matthews, along with Clerk Jack Travillian. Also attending the meeting were Greenville Water Utility Superintendent Gary Getrost, town marshal Dave Moore, town attorney Denise Franke and other concerned citizens and members of the press.

Ray Gibson was recognized as the Greenville 2003 Citizen of the Year for his many years of community service. Among his many accomplishments was the publication of the Greenville Newsletter, which was of great service to the board and his term as Town Council President for 2003.

The 2002 Citizen of the Year Award was presented to Mike Reciever for his many years of service to the town, including being the Chairman of the Summer Festival for many years. He stated he would be interested in doing it again with some help

Minutes were read and approved with some clarification from Denise Franke. Motion was made by Hanzel Barclay to accept and seconded by Janet Wright. Motion passed 3-0.

Old Business – The Meador property, Ms. Franke has written a letter to Mr. Lilly and asked what his intentions are concerning the property. She spoke with Floyd County Auditor Teresa Plaiss about what legal avenue we can take. She was told that Mr. Lilly would have clear title after he is given a deed. Therefore the council has no legal recourse and we must wait until he has taken possession of the property. She mentioned that the town could possibly take possession and she would check into that possibility.

Computers – Clerk Travillian made a recommendation to the board about the bids for software. He recommended purchasing Keystone that has no hardware involved. Motion was made by Jamie McKown and seconded by Hanzel Barclay to purchase three new computers at the clerk's discretion along with the Keystone Software bid. Motion passed.

President Matthews offered several options for the official website name. The council decided to use GreenvilleIN.com address. The website should be operational by next monthly meeting.

Zoning ordinance – Denise Franke presented the framework for generating a zoning plan. The first step is to create a planning commission that shall have three elected or employed town officials and four citizens that have knowledge of the history and rural with surroundings of the town. Step two is to appropriate funds for the planning commission to operate. Step three; the planning commission will generate a comprehensive plan for the community. The fourth and final step is for the planning commission to create the zoning code for approval by the town council. The motion was made by Jamie McKown to create a zoning commission, Hanzel Barclay seconded it and the motion passed 3-0.

Councilman Ted Miller has sold his property in Greenville and should be replaced on the Town Council. Clerk Travillian informed President Matthews that no one has received a resignation and this must be done in order to replace him on the council.

Law Enforcement Report - Marshal David Moore informed the council that Floyd County has expressed interest in financing a full time position for the police protection of the town. The money will come from the Riverboat Gaming Fund that has been promised the county. This should be available in June. President Matthews posed the question about if a full time marshal was needed. Each council member voiced his or her opinion about the question. No action was taken at this time.

Streets and Roads department led to a discussion about potholes along East Second Street. Councilman McKown will check with the State Highway department about getting this repaired.

The Council will be supplying a dumpster for spring cleanup of the town. This dumpster will be contracted from Kepley Excavating and be placed on the town parking lot from Thursday, April 1 to Sunday, April 4, 2004. There will be no tires, air conditioners, refrigerators and toxic chemicals allowed.

Public Relations – Janet Wright announced that the Banner Gazette published January minutes and will be continuing to offer this service for the foreseeable future. Mike Arnold, reporter from the Clarion was in attendance and noted that his paper would be glad to offer the same service.

Water Utility business – Superintendent Getrost brought before the board an outstanding bill that was delinquent from October 2003 in the amount of \$2,291. He noted that this seemed to be a pattern for this particular business. Ms. Franke was asked to check into starting a lien against the property. In another case a customer had a major water leak and has been charged \$2,679.71 for usage. The present policy on leaks will adjust his bill by \$242.47. The council agreed that the policy should be followed unless the customer can show just cause for an exception to the set policy. The water utility can offer the customer installments for up to a period of one year to offset the major expense.

Check expenditures and review of the current budget was given. Also the Fire Department supplied the council with a summary of its annual budget.

No further business coming before the Council the meeting was adjourned.

Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

THE TOWN OF GREENVILLE, INDIANA

TO ALL WHO SHALL SEE THESE PRESENTS, GREETING:
THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT
MIKE RECEVEUR
IS RECOGNIZED AS THE TOWN OF GREENVILLE
CITIZEN OF THE YEAR
2002

Mike Receveur is recognized this day, March 8, 2004, as the Greenville Citizen of the year for the year 2002. Mike became a Town Councilman in 1996 and served distinctively through 2003. He co-chaired the committee on Streets and Roads for years, serving to maintain the roads and alleyways throughout Greenville in excellent condition and maintaining the appearance of Greenville by always assuring trees, brush and roadside debris never became an eyesore. For several years, almost independently, Mike organized and ran the Greenville Summer Festival, first in the Greenville Elementary School parking lot, then in the Greenville Park. This local event became the focus for summer activities and community events through the summer in our town. His tireless efforts created a community spirit seldom matched. For his many contributions to the community and his untiring efforts to see Greenville continue to improve, we recognize Mike Receveur as Greenville's 2002 Citizen of the Year.

David L. Matthews

President, Greenville Town Council

THE TOWN OF GREENVILLE, INDIANA

TO ALL WHO SHALL SEE THESE PRESENTS, GREETING: THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT RAY GIBSON

IS RECOGNIZED AS THE TOWN OF GREENVILLE CITIZEN OF THE YEAR 2003

Ray Gibson is recognized this day, March 8, 2004, as the Greenville Citizen of the year for the year 2003. Ray has been a significant contributor to civic activities and local events for many years. Even as a teenager, Ray initiated a town newsletter which kept citizens informed about local events and activities. Copies of these newsletters still remain, as local historical artifacts, in the public library in New Albany. As an adult and owner of a Greenville printing company, Ray once again contributed to the community in this manner with a "second edition" of the local Greenville newsletter. Ray became a Town Councilman in 1995 and served distinctively through 2003. He co-chaired the committee on Streets and Roads for years, serving to maintain the roads and alleyways throughout Greenville in excellent condition and maintaining the appearance of Greenville by always assuring trees, brush and roadside debris never became an eyesore. His last year on the Council, Ray served as Town Council President, guiding the board through a difficult time in which overbuilding by local developers threatened the rural nature of Greenville. Through his leadership, the town council became a more efficient organization and Greenville continued to progress while not sacrificing its "small town" atmosphere. For his many contributions to the community and his untiring efforts to see Greenville continue to improve, we recognize Ray Gibson as Greenville's 2003 Citizen of the Year.

David L. Matthews

President, Greenville Town Council

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