MINUTES OF GREENVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MONTHLY MEETING OF APRIL 11, 1995.

The regular monthly meeting of the Greenville Town Council was Called to order by President Robert Williams at 8:20 p.m. with all Councilmembers and Clerk Treasurer present.

Also attending are those listed on the attached sheet.

Minutes of the March meeting was approved upon motion by Janet Riggs, seconded by Ray Gibson, to dispense with the reading after Council reviewed with no additions, corrections or deletions. Those in attendance were appropriately apprised of the vote. (3-0).

Janet Riggs made a motion to have the utility appraised, seconded by Ray Gibson, motion carried (3-0). Councilmember Riggs explained the procedure and reason for seeking appraisals.

Jim Lemmons, Advisory Board member questioned the Council's action and previous bills incurred by the utility. Council stated all bills with the exception of SEICO have or will be paid. The Council is seeking an agreement with SEICO on their charges.

Jim Harl questioned whether there will be water shortages this summer. Janet Riggs informed him the Council is working on the problem of supply and hopefully the utility will get by this summer.

Able Hayes stated the users need to be aware of the water supply-be more conservative, and that the Council needs to keep all users informed of the water supply and other matters of importance.

Robert Earl Evans - stated he does not believe I-AWW is being truthful with Greenville users. Everyone needs to pull together for the common good.

Butch Richardson stated he is in agreement with the Council to have the utility appraised but would like the Council to give him a timeframe regarding appraisals and an agreement with I-AWW. Ray Gibson responded that such time frame depends on a number of factors and the Council does not have that information at the present time. Gary Getrost re-iterated the need for the Council, Advosory Board and suppliers to work together, and that the Council and Advosory Board should meet jointly with suppliers, if possible, if it can be arranged.

President Robert Williams presented Ordinance no. 95-03 entitled "An Ordinance Establishing Rates and Charges for Tap-ins by the Waterworks System of the Town of Greenville", and Ordinance 95-04, entitled "An Ordinance Establishing a Water Tap-in Surcharge". President Williams then directed both Ordinances be read. On motion of Janet Riggs, seconded by Robert Williams, Council voted to proceed with final approval of both Ordinances to be voted on at the next regular meeting of the Council, provided they can be advertised with the time frame allowed by the Indiana Code. Carried 3-0.

Mark Strauss, a resident of Parkland Heights presented Council with a detailed drawing of a drainage pipe located in front of his property that he would like moved to prevent water running into the area of his house. Council President Williams assured him that the Town will obtain estimates and proceed to have the problem corrected. Councilmember Wiliams also stated there is a problem with drainage at E. 2d Street and U.S. 150 that needs to be addressed, that the Council seek bids/proposals for the work.

MINUTES OF GREENVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 11, 1995 (Cont'd).

President Williams explained to those present the Town is accepting resumes from individuals interested in the Town Marshal position and that the Council will review all resemes/applications to determine qualifications.

Councilmember Janet Riggs stated she had attended two (2) meetings with the Floyd County representatives to seek their participation with Greenville for inspections of new construction within the Town limits. Mr. Williams stated the Town Council will maintain control over constructions but that the Town needs to have inspections made of any new construction. Councilmember Riggs stated the County had reservations that it would cost them but she assured them that the Town would collect fees and turn them over to the County.

Mr. Williams apprised the Council that the Cable franchise needs to be renewed. He stated a new contract will result in a franchise fee of 3% of annual subscriber revenue paid to Greenville, which the Town does not now receive. The Town attorney will review the contract for the Council.

Carol Dale complained of street signs and street markings needing replacement. President Williams advised her the Town will contact the proper agencies responsible. She also stated that speeding is also a problem. Councilmember Williams assured her the Town will contact the County for help.

With no further comments from the floor the Council approved (3-0), claims for the Town/Utility.

The clerk Treasurer's financial report indicates bank balances for the Town/ Utility are correct and that investments are secured properly.

No further business coming before the Council, Janet Riggs motioned for adjournment, seconded by Ray Gibson.

Robert J. Williams, President of the Council

ATTEST:

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March 24, 1995

Mr. Robert J. Williams, President Town Council The Town of Greenville, Indiana P. O. Box 188 Greenville, IN 47124

Dear Mr. Williams:

REFERENCE: COUNCIL'S LETTER TO RESIDENTS OF GREENVILLE

First, I would like to re-introduce myself. I am Vice President-Treasurer of Indiana-American Water Company. We initially met last fall when I attended meetings with the Greenville Town Council concerning the potential purchase of the Greenville Water Utility by Indiana-American.

The reason I am writing is that I recently became aware of an undated letter from you and Council members Ray Gibson and Janet Riggs to the residents of Greenville. This letter disappoints me and other officers of our company in that we recently entered into a good faith agreement with the previous Town Council to pursue negotiations for the purchase of the Greenville Water Utility and the current Council has apparently reversed that position in their letter to the residents. We would have appreciated the opportunity to review any concerns you might have prior to addressing those concerns to the residents so as to avoid confusing any pertinent facts. We are also confused in that you voted with the former Town Council unanimously to negotiate the sale and Mrs. Riggs voted with the Water Utility Advisory Board who also unanimously recommended that the sale be pursued.

Since we did not get the opportunity to review your apparent concerns prior to distributing the letter, I thought I would respond in writing. For the sake of brevity, I will paraphrase statements in your letter as I have interpreted them with a corresponding response.

1) If the water utility is sold, the only supply of water will be from Indiana-American.

Response: There would be no difference than at present. Indiana-American would seek to provide Greenville customers with supply from its own plant but would maintain the existing tie-ins with other water utilities and seek the additional ones. We are uniquely positioned to do this because we are a regional supplier now.

2) A price for water has not been established between Indiana-American and Borden Tri-County and Floyds Knobs.

Response: Indiana-American has a signed agreement that it will purchase water at Borden Tri-County's rates. Borden Tri-County has agreed it will not discriminate against Indiana-American in setting its water rates.

3) Borden Tri-County could raise its rates to Indiana-American to well over what Greenville could buy from Borden Tri-County directly.

<u>Response:</u> This is unlikely since Borden Tri-County purchases most of its supply from Indiana-American and Indiana-American has the ability to react to inappropriate price increases.

4) With only one line connected to Borden Tri-County, Greenville runs the risk of being without water if the line should fail.

Response: Incorrect. There would be no difference than at present. Indiana-American would seek to provide Greenville customers with supply from its own plant but would obtain tie-ins to other water utilities as necessary. Additionally, our plans for constructing the tank in the proper location provides the necessary reserves for handling such outages. Greenville does not have this ability today.

5) The one line tied into Borden Tri-County is too old to be relied upon and too small to meet Greenville's needs.

Response: Indiana-American has been in the water business for more than 100 years in numerous communities. There have been no instances when a community served by Indiana-American has been without its water supply. Indiana-American will install the facilities sized as necessary to meet the present and continuing future demands of the Greenville community. Even during the drought of

1988, not a single customer in the original Indiana-American service territories was asked to conserve water.

6) Borden Tri-County will supply water to Greenville directly thereby eliminating a middleman and additional costs.

Response: Additional costs won't occur since Indiana-American is a regulated utility and our rates are set by order of the IURC. Borden Tri-County's existing water source is inadequate for meeting its own customers' needs. It therefore purchases most of its supply from Indiana-American..

7) Having several alternative suppliers is better than "putting all of our eggs in one basket with Indiana-American."

Response: Not true since Indiana-American builds it systems for reliability and its water rates are significantly lower than those of Borden Tri-County, Edwardsville or Ramsey.

8) Indiana-American will try to match Greenville's rates with New Albany rates plus a "wheeling fee."

Response: A condition of the sale is that the IURC approve New Albany rates plus the "wheeling fee" for Greenville customers. If the IURC does not approve this rate structure for Greenville, the town is not required to approve the sale of the Water Utility.

9) Twenty-five percent (25%) of Greenville's customers would have an increase in rates due to their receiving minimum bills.

Response: This cannot be determined without a bill analysis. However, the average residential customer will realize a twenty-eight percent (28%) reduction in their bill.

10) Customer service would deteriorate due to the local office being closed after the sale.

Response: Customer service would actually improve. All customer needs could be responded to by dialing an 800 (toll free) number. Office hours have recently been extended twenty-two percent (22%). Water bill payments could be paid at numerous community locations, not at just one local office. Our bill provides more customer information and includes a return envelope.

11) Indiana-American does not make adjustments on water leaks without a plumber's receipt.

Response: Indiana-American will adjust up to fifty percent (50%) for a high bill caused by a hidden leak with proof that the leak has been repaired. Proof may be by presenting a plumber's receipt or a hardware store parts receipt or other acceptable information.

12) Greenville's customers are contacted immediately if their meter reading is unusually high.

<u>Response:</u> Indiana-American does not immediately contact the customer. It does automatically reread the meter if the reading is unusually high.

13) Greenville works with customers having financial difficulties.

<u>Response:</u> Indiana-American has been negotiating deferred payment agreements for many years to prevent disconnection of customers' water service.

14) Greenville employees are available 24 hours per day, seven days per week.

<u>Response:</u> No difference with Indiana-American and it has many more employees at its disposal than does Greenville.

15) Greenville collects bill payments from senior citizens and the handicapped at their door.

Response: Indiana-American does not normally do this but would work with those who need such a service to handle their bill payments.

16) Greenville provides business to local banks.

<u>Response:</u> Indiana-American would also provide such business to local banks as well as to other businesses who would collect payments.

17) Water utility employees live in the community and contribute to the local economy.

<u>Response:</u> Indiana-American also has employees who live near the Greenville community. As a company, Indiana-American would also contribute to the local economy by payment of property taxes.

18) Greenville is on firm financial footing and foresees no increases in water rates in the immediate future.

Response: The Audit Report of the Town of Greenville Water Utility performed by the Indiana State Board of Accounts for the period January 1, 1990, to December 31, 1993, shows the following:

1990 1991 1992 1993

Net Income \$ 6,427 (\$26,838) (\$44,588) (\$6,664) (Loss)

One can see that in three of those four years cited the utility operated at a loss. The Town also has present debt of \$559,000 and will have to issue new debt to meet the water utility needs of its water customers. Future increases in water rates will be necessary.

19) Indiana-American increases its rates every 18 months.

Response: Indiana-American's rate increases are related to its level of commitment in terms of construction and utility plant; and, the amount of increases are regulated by the IURC. Greenville has opted out of IURC jurisdiction and now has no knowledgeable, impartial body to regulate water rates. Even with the frequency of increases, Indiana-American's New Albany rates are among the lowest in the area and lower than Greenville's.

20) Indiana-American is guaranteed a profit by the IURC.

<u>Response:</u> Indiana-American is <u>not</u> guaranteed a profit. It is only allowed an <u>opportunity</u> to earn a return on its investment which the IURC decides is fair and reasonable.

21) Indiana-American is now before the IURC with a proposal to raise the New Albany rates.

Response: True. The rate petition presently on file with the IURC will be litigated in 1995. An order is expected in early 1996. However, even if we were granted the full requested increase, which rarely occurs, our rates will still be 28% less than Greenville's.

22) Future improvements of the water utility will be necessary.

Response: True. Regardless of the ownership of the water utility, significant present and future improvements are necessary. Indiana-American has

the staff and expertise to properly plan and construct those needed improvements. We have already demonstrated our capability to properly plan for Greenville's improvements. Our review of the construction program you were about to undertake pointed out the problems and recommended a less costly solution which you are now pursuing.

23) The financial burden for future improvements should be on new developments not on present customers. The Council is considering implementing a surcharge on tap-in fees.

Response: These are financial decisions which the Council can make. Indiana-American does not have tap-in fees which can adversely impact economic growth. Indiana-American tries to promote economic growth and development.

Once the utility is sold, there is no hope of buying it back.

Response: That is not true. The Town has the powers of eminent domain and could initiate condemnation proceedings for purchase of the water utility if it is felt that public convenience and necessity require it.

Since water rates are a significant issue, I thought it might be helpful to compare our New Albany rates to other neighboring utilities' rates. I have attached a schedule which permits an easy comparison.

I have also attached a copy of the Water Sales Agreement between Borden Tri-County and Indiana-American Water Company.

I and Indiana-American's other officers look forward to the opportunity of discussing these issues with the Town Council and the water utility's customers in the public meeting which is to be held on April 4, 1995.

Yours very truly,

John E. Eckart

Vice President-Treasurer

Attachments

c: Town Council Members -- Janet Riggs Ray Gibson:

Water Utility Advisory Committee Members -Jim Lemons, Chairman Ervin Rickard
Bill Fender Ted Miller
Butch Richardson

WATER RATE COMPARISON

		Borden TriCounty	Edwards – ville	Floyds Knobs	Green ville	Ramsey	East Harrison	New Albany
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	2,000 gal	19.50	13.44	9.42	9.73	6.68	8.26	10.50
	3,000 gal	23.07	13.44	12.03	11.67	9.53	12.39	11.22
	4,000 gal	26.64	16.89	14.64	15.56	12.38	16.52	11.95
Note 2	6,000 gal	33,46	23.79	19.86	23.34	18.08	24.20	13.40
	8,000 gal	39.96	29.07	25.08	31.12	23.78	31,30	14.85
	10,000 gal	46,46	34.35	30.30	38.90	29.48	38.40	16.29
	15,000 gal	61.06	43.55	43.35	55.95	41.23	53.20	19.92
	20,000 gal	75.66	52.75	54.44	73.00	52.98	68.00	23.54
	25,000 gal	88.66	60.30	62.59	90.05	64.73	82.80	
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NOTE 1 - Add \$.23 Per Thousand Gallons for Tracker NOTE 2 - Average Residential usage per month 6,000 Gallons

Usage Gal	Borden Tri-County	Edwards- ville	Floyds Knobs	Green ville	Ramsey	East Harrison	New Albany	NEW ALBANY PLUS 25%
1,000	9.75	13,44	9,19	9.73	6.68	8.26	9.77	12.21
2,000	19.50	13.44	9.42	9.73	6.68	8.26	10.50	13.13
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Price comparision showing Greenville's rates vs. Indiana
American's with 25% rate increase and wheeling fee charged by
Borden Tri-County.

NOTE. Indiana American's rates <u>do not</u> include a wheeling fee by Floyds Knobs since that fee has not been discussed either by Greenville or Indiana American.

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Deduct Hydrant rental fees if your property is not within 1000 feet of fire hydrant. (2.25)

March 23, 1995

ROBERT J WILLIAMS
PRESIDENT - GREENVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
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GREENVILLE IN 47124

RAY GIBSON
MEMBER - GREENVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
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RE: Agreement with Floyd County to Provide Building Inspection Services

Town Council Member:

I am writing to let you know that the issue of the Town of Greenville contracting with Floyd County to provide building inspection services has been placed on the agenda for the County Commissioners' meeting on April 4, 1995. The time is 6:00 P.M.

I am still trying to arrange for a meeting with Bev Smith and the inspectors from her office. However, I did not want to delay any further in getting on the Commissioners' agenda. If each of you could perhaps give me a call at your convenience, I can explain in more detail what I think needs to take place, and we can discuss who will be able to attend the meeting.

I'll look to hear from you.

Sincerely,

George W. Gesenhues, Jr.

GWGJR/cp

cc: Janice Gibson/Greenville Town Hall

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TO THE TOWN COUNCIL OF GREENVILLE,

I WOULD LIKE TO START BY SAYING IF HAS BEEN A PLEASURE WORKING WITH ALL OF YOU. HOWEVER, AS YOU ALL KNOW I AM ENROLLED IN A PARAMEDIC PROGRAM AND THIS REQUIRES A LOT OF TIME TO KEEP UP WITH STUDIES, ESPECIALLY WHILE WORKING FULL TIME. THEREFORE I FEEL THAT I MUST SUBMIT THIS LETTER OF RESIGNATION TO BE EFFECTIVE 3-31-95.

DURING THE REMAINDER OF MY TIME I WILL TIE UP LOOSE ENDS THAT NEED TO BE TAKEN CARE OF. REGARDING THE RESENT GRANT WE OBTAINED, I WILL BE WILLING TO HELP IN THE SELECTION OF A NEW MARSHAL, IN ORDER TO KEEP THE GRANT MONEY.

IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ME AT

ANY TIME.

SINCERELY/

RAMSEY D. VANCE

are fired, it's too late." Greenville votes down signing contract

BY MIKE MUDD THOUS SEEK WHEN

The possible sale of Croenville's water utility is once

At a special session yesterday, Greenville's Town Council unanimously agreed not to sign an imthal contract with Indiana-American Co., a public water utility based near Indianapolis. The contract would have begun sale no-

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Sure we're not making a mistake by selling." Council President
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But at that time, the threemeeting, the board will look into mply without increasing the town's water sup-That's our goal: An adequate Supply without rate increases,"

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said councilwoman Janet Riggs, who was sworn in as the coun. cil's new member yesterday. member board decided to delay

Riggs previously served on the and replaces former Council president Harold Hall, who resigned Greenville's water advisory at the end of January. action for two reasons: it wanted to explore other possible solual floras, and new councilman Ray study the possible sale.

In the two weeks between the

board appointed last year by the Town Council, has recommended ana-American. Bill Fender, the water committee's chairman, was working and meetings, council members de-cided to reconsider the sale. The door is not closed, but because of some public opinion we're looking at other options,"

didn't attend yesterday's meeting. Soe Greenville, page 2

Rob Lane on

Residents debate water utility's sale

By MIKE MUDD Tribune Staff Willer

It's a debate that continues to divide the town of Greenville.

Robert Evans doesn't think Greenville should sell its water utility to Indiana-American Co., a water company based in Greenwood that he feels will offer less personal ser-

"I don't see why we need to sell out," Evans said. He added,
"There's been a lot of hard work put into this water company. If we sell, we'll become just another number.

Fellow Greenville resident Joe Proctor disagrees, saying, "I'm for selling it. i feel the bigger the com-

pany the better rates you get."
The two residents and about 30 others jammed into Greenville's tiny Town Hall last night to deliver and listen to comments regarding the town's possible water utility sale.

A dozen people, including members of the town's water advisory committee and a vice president from Indiana-American, voiced their opinion before the three-member

town council. The water utility issue currently centers on a pending Town Board decision: Whether or not to sign a contract with Indiana-American that would begin negotiations to sell the town's 1,200-customer water utility.

The council delayed a decision on the contract last month in order to explore other alternatives.

Meanwhile, the town's water advisory committee - appointed last year by the council - has recommended that the council sell the utility to Indiana-American because it will improve the water supply and

lower rates. Council members said after last night's session that they hope to reach a final decision on the contract by the next board meeting on

April 11. Before that meeting, the council and representatives from Indiana-American plan to schedule a public forum for Greenville water customers. The forum will allow residents to ask Indiana-American questions and make further comments about the pending sale.

The meeting will be open to all town water customers, said Council President Bob Williams. The coun-

Marshal steps down; board may expand

Ramsey Vance, Greenville's town marshal for the est year, has told the Town Council he is resigning for personal reasons.

Vance's resignation takes effect March 31.

Council members said the search for a new marshal will begin immediately. The town marshal provides timited law enforcement as a supplement to the Floyd County sheriff's department.

Council President Bob Williams said anyone interested can send or drop off a resume to town hall. For information, call 923-9821.

In other business, the council unanimously approved a resolution that endorses the expansion of the council from three to five

members. Both added slots will be at-large seats. Greenville residents will vote on the board expansion in November's general election.

cil hopes to hold it at a larger facility, such as Greenville's Elementary

School. Richard Hargraves, a vice president for Indiana-American's local operations, and two other company representatives, drove down from Greenwood for last night's meeting. They assured the town that Indiana-American would be a good choice.

We have a variety of differentsize water systems, and we understand the problems of small utilities like this one," Hargraves said. "I am of the opinion that we are a viable option for this town."

The possible sale, which has been analyzed and debated for the past year by residents and town officials, was discussed for nearly an hour last night.

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Greenville water sale debated by residents

Most people who expressed coments were for selling off the utility.

Martin suggested the council set up a town water board, which he said would provide needed represen-

Resident Ron Lamb said he's against selling the utility until the town can look at all other possible factors.