Boards and Commissions

Just a reminder that Council has 5 vacancies on Boards and Commissions to vote on at the start of the Regular Council meeting.

Unauthorized Items

1. ODOT Sodium Chloride/Rock Salt Purchase (Draft 13-41)

Gene Roberts has requested Council’s authorization to consider a resolution authorizing the City to participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) annual joint rock salt contract in preparation for 2013-2014 winter season. In order for ODOT to make their bulk rock salt order they need to know which cities plan to ride their contract and what quantities those cities anticipate purchasing. Gene is estimating a purchase of 3,500 tons of rock salt from the state contract.

Administration Recommendation

The ability to purchase rock salt off of the state contract has allowed the City to receive the lowest bulk rate possible for rock salt, and Gene and I urge Council’s authorization to proceed with the state rock salt contract.

Council Action

Authorize the City to participate in the ODOT rock salt contract

Information Items

1. Tax incentive Review Council (TIRC) and CRA Report

I have attached the 2013 Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) and Tax Incentive Review (TIRC) annual meeting summary report from Bridget Susel. There are a total of 9 active projects under each of the programs and the TIRC recommendations is to continue those agreements so no action is necessary by City Council at this time. This information was forwarded to the Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) on March 30th as required by State law. (attachment)

2. Monthly Permit and Zoning Reports

Bridget Susel has enclosed copies of the monthly zoning and permit violations report for March 2013. The total number of permits issued thru the end of March was down 43% from last year and the corresponding revenues were down 4% ($3,041). Troy had 33 action items in March, most of which were related to zoning code violations. (attachment)

3. Health Board Meeting Minutes and Department Statistics

Jeff Neistadt has provided copies of the Health Board agenda (for the April 9th meeting) and the statistical report for March 2013. Health Department revenues are up 11% ($10,378) and permits are down 4% (11 permits) in 2013 from 2012. (attachment)
Information Items (continued)

4. Board of Zoning Appeals April 15th Meeting
Heather Phile from our Community Development has provided a copy of the staff report for the April Board of Zoning Appeals meeting scheduled for April 15th, 2013. There are four items on the agenda: Donald Vargo, 315 E. Summit Street, boarding house conversion from single family use; Cho-Oyu LTD, 509 Franklin Avenue, appeal of scheduled demolition; RRMJ Properties, 107 Lake Street, setback variance for access ramp; and Kelly Contini, 727 Stinaff Street, fence height variance. (attachment)

5. Kent Police Statistics
Chief Lee has provided a copy of the police statistics report for January 2013. In 2013 calls for service are down 3% (47 calls); traffic citations are down 11% (33 tickets); accident incidents are down 33% (26 incidents) and serious crimes are up 8% (6 cases). (attachment)

6. April Planning Commission Meeting
Bridget Susel has enclosed copies of the Planning Commission agenda and staff report for the April 16th Planning Commission meeting. There are 2 items up for consideration: 1) 315 E. Summit Street, conditional zoning certificate and site plan review and approval for rooming house; and 2) City of Kent, proposed Zoning Code text amendment is being forwarded to the Commission for review and comment. (attachment)