

ENVIRONMENTAL, ZONING, WELFARE AND LEGISLATIVE

June 15, 2011

Present: Laura Wilkinson, Chairman
Marilyn Voggetzer
Carol Foli
Tony Woods
Greg Hager

Absent: none

Others present: Joelynda Conrad, Pana Mayor Steve Sipes, John Curtin and Jan Bland.

The meeting of the Environmental/Zoning/Welfare/Legislative Committee was called to order with a quorum in attendance on Wednesday, June 15, 2011 at 6:30 pm at the Christian County Courthouse to discuss all matters properly brought before the committee.

The County Board District population numbers to determine if any change is necessary are still being tracked. The Committee does not anticipate any district boundary changes, but will wait until the numbers are available to compare before making a decision. No action taken.

Pana Mayor Steve Sipes asked the Committee to review the terms and financial commitment concerning the intergovernmental agreement relating to animal control services. This agreement was discussed in August of 2010 and signed in October of 2010 at a rate of \$350/month from the City of Pana. The City would hold the dogs for 24 hours in hopes of locating the owner and then they would be brought to Animal Control. Mayor Sipes told the Committee they had begun building two holding pens, but needed more input from the Department of Ag for compliance. To become compliant will cost money not budgeted.

Based on comparison from Taylorville's average usage verses Pana's usage and population between the two cities, Pana is about half of Taylorville on each factor. A motion was made by Tony Woods and seconded by Greg Hager to reduce the City of Pana's monthly fee to \$200 on a trial basis for a year. This would allow Pana some funding to finish the holding pens and evaluate a better average of animals brought to the county's animal control facility. The motion carried.

Mayor Sipes also discussed some of their recycling problems at the drop off bin in Pana. Greg Hager who has been keeping a watch on their container also complained about the improper dumping and recycling. He noted the Solid Waste Office has been notified and has increased education in Pana. This will be forwarded to Joe Stepping for further evaluation.

A motion was made by Carol Foli and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer to adjourn. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Wilkinson, Chairwoman
Environmental Committee