

**MINUTES OF MEETING
COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF MONTICELLO
TUESDAY JANUARY 2, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Common Council, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held on Tuesday January 2, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ken Houston and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call, by Clerk Treasurer Jim Mann, was answered by Mayor Ken Houston, Councilors Doug Pepple, Tim McQuinn, Ralph Widmer, Phil Vogel and Kim Kramer. City Attorney George Loy was also present.

Minutes-Phil Vogel made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 18, 2017 meeting as presented. Ralph Widmer seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Additions & Deletions-None

Citizen Participation-None

Department Heads Reports-Wastewater Superintendent Adam Downey handed out the 2017 Utility Performance and Planning Report. Because of the cold weather and icy conditions there has been much work to de-ice key plant equipment. Park Department Superintendent Mitch Billue indicated two of the three furnaces were not functioning. With the assistance of Halsen Brothers all three furnaces are fully operational. Also, the Women Giving Together organization donated \$1,000.00 to the Altherr Nature Park. Water Superintendent Rod Pool reported there have been 2 broken water mains and 24 broken meters over the past two weeks. Street Superintendent Frank Arthur indicated they have had approximately 100 additional man hours with the recent snow storms. The new brine solution they have been spraying on the streets has been working well. Lightstream will not be pushing forward during 2018 with any additional services in the City of Monticello. ADA Coordinator Cathy Gross indicated that the art projects will be due January 10, 2018 for Disability Awareness Month. March 1, 2018 will be the date for the Award's Reception. Fire Chief Galen Logan reported Joe Goad will be leaving the department effective 1-14-2018. The department will be attending an Advanced Cardiac Life Support training event at IU Health on January 4, 2018. Galen also indicated he received a \$500.00 donation from the Redman Hall. Police Chief Randy Soliday reported that Curt Blount, Ryan Pyle, and Jeremy Kyburz attended training titled "Below 100". The goal is to reduce the number of officer deaths to below 100. The Tru Narc training will be held on 1-8-2018. The new analyzers will reduce the physical exposure to drugs.

Committee Reports- None

Old Business-None

New Business

1. Council Appointments (2) to the Redevelopment Commission-Doug Pepple made a motion to approve Dan Oldenkamp and Mark Gamble to serve on the Commission for 2018. Phil Vogel seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.
2. Council Appointments to the NW Indiana Solid Waste District-Doug Pepple made a motion to appoint Tim McQuinn as the Council representative to the Board. Kim Kramer seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.
3. Council Appointment to the Area Plan Commission-Tim McQuinn made a motion to appoint Doug Pepple as the Council's appointment to the Commission. Ralph Widmer seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.
4. Council Liaison Responsibilities-The Council Members decided to continue on with their duties as they were in 2017. No motion required. Pepple-Parks, Kramer-Streets, Widmer-Police, McQuinn-Utilities, and Vogel-Fire Department.
5. Election of Council President-Kim Kramer nominated Doug Pepple to be Council President Phil Vogel seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Miscellaneous and All Other Matter-Doug Pepple and Ralph Widmer congratulated the street department on a job well done as it pertains to removing snow. Phil Vogel requested Frank Arthur check along East Ohio Street (500 block) to see if a "No Parking" sign could be erected. People are parking on both sides of the street. Mayor Houston thanked the Council for their cooperation during 2017 and looks ahead to another great year in 2018.

Adjournment-The meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

James D Mann
Clerk Treasurer
City of Monticello