

**MINUTES OF MEETING
COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF MONTICELLO
MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2009**

The meeting of the Common Council, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held on Monday, October 19, 2009, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jason Thompson and opened with the pledge of allegiance.

Roll call, by Clerk Treasurer Liz Oilar, was answered by Mayor Jason Thompson, Council members Dave Kelly, Jim Mann, Bill Smith, and Eric Storm, and City Attorney George Loy. Council member Grace Oilar was absent.

There being no additions, deletions, or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting on Monday, October 5, 2009, a motion was made by Council member Bill Smith, seconded by Council member Dave Kelly, to approve the minutes as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

There was an addition to the agenda: Consideration of Ordinance 2009-23; Authorization for Issuance of Water Works Revenue Bonds

Citizens Participation

1. Centennial Celebration – Monticello Youth Organizations – Debi Dodson

Debi Dobson, Monticello Christian Church, is in charge of the November Centennial Celebration involving the Monticello youth. It will be on November 8, 2009, from 5:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m., at the Twin Lakes High School auxiliary gym. Mayor Thompson will open the celebration. The youth will do a skit about the 90's in a classroom setting. There will be a Christian concert provided by the band "Rite of Passage." Refreshments will be available.

Ken Kersey addressed the Council with the handicap parking issue. He stated that there are 64 handicap violations in Monticello. He has some pictures of these violations. He is wondering who is going to take care of these problems. He is not looking for answers tonight but would like some next month.

Chris Kersey addressed the Council about the National Homes storm water project. He had several questions regarding the project. Jon Borgers, M. D. Wessler, along with the Mayor, Council, Wastewater Superintendent and Water Superintendent, answered Chris's questions. Chris believes this project will be great for his neighborhood.

Department Head Reports

Fire Chief Shane Swaim stated that he has given the Council a report on this year and last year run totals. The run loads this year are up from last year. Health Occupations will be starting at the Fire Department. Engine bids are due in tomorrow and will be opened then. The engine will be awarded on Thursday. They should hear something about the building grant by December 15, 2009.

Police Chief Curt Blount stated that he ordered software for four cars and they should be installed by next meeting. He is working on the "Every Fifteen Minutes" program. He believes this will sometime in April. They have been busy the last few weeks.

Parks Superintendent Mitch Billue stated that he has applied for a \$20,000.00 grant for Skate Park equipment. Bluewater has no lights because a lady took out a utility pole by the basketball court. REMC will replace the pole and have electricity restored by the end of the week. Restroom facilities will be closed at the end of this month. Lifelong Church moved 40 yards of mulch and dirt this past weekend. Mitch participated in the Road Rally put on by the Rotary. The money raised benefits the parks.

Water Superintendent Rod Pool stated that the Sixth Street project is going well. Tomorrow they will set the box culvert. If they get that set, hopefully by the end of the week, they will have the 50-60 foot of water line over the top of it. Once that is in, all the water lines will be done on that part of the project. They have the notice to proceed on the North section. The second set of hatches will be put on the filters on Thursday at the water plant.

Street Superintendent Doug Roberts stated that they will start picking up leaves on Thursday. The last limb and brush pickup will be tomorrow until the first of December. All governmental frequencies will have to be changed by law by 2012. He needed to renew his license and did so at this time. This will affect water, sewer, parks, and street departments. They are ready for snow.

Wastewater Superintendent Joe Mowrer was not in attendance.

Adoption Budget Ordinance 2009-21

Council member Jim Mann stated that we have had all the hearings, revisions, and the budget is ready for adoption. All changes have been made. Council member Jim Mann made the motion to adopt Budget Ordinance 2009-21, seconded by Council member Eric Storm. All ayes, motion carried.

Consideration of Ordinance 2009-22; Authorization for Issuance of Sewage Works Revenue Bonds

City Attorney George Loy stated that the National Homes project, for which we opened bids for an hour ago, is going to be funded by a variety of sources. One is an Okra grant of \$600,000.00. There are some available funds on hand, and the remainder of the project will be funded by issuance of sewage works revenue bonds and water works revenue bonds. The original estimated cost of the construction was around 3.1 million dollars. Ice Miller is our bond council. H. J. Umbaugh and Associates are our financial consultants. Todd Samuelson and Doug Baldassari, H. J. Umbaugh, have been working on this and Doug is here tonight to answer any questions the Council may have at this time. In order to get the bonds issued we have Ordinance 2009-22, which is the authorization for issuance of the Sewage Works Revenue Bonds, and Ordinance 2009-23 - authorization for issuance of Water Works Revenue Bonds. The order of events is the suspension of the rules tonight for passage of both of those ordinances, which will authorize notice of the bonds published in the newspaper. This will start a 20 day remonstrant period. If everything goes as planned, then the bond sale could be accomplished and closed in about six weeks. The bonds will be issued in the amount necessary to fund the project. That amount will be determined after all bids are reviewed. Council member Jim Mann made the motion to suspend the rules in order to pass Ordinance 2009-22, seconded by Council member Dave Kelly. All ayes, motion carried. Council member Jim Mann made the motion to pass Ordinance 2009-22, seconded by Council member Eric Storm. All ayes, motion carried.

Consideration of Ordinance 2009-23; Authorization for Issuance of Water Works Revenue Bonds

City Attorney George Loy stated that Ordinance 2009-23 is required to fund the water line improvement portion of the National Homes project. This is in an amount not to exceed \$825,000.00. The Water Works Revenue Bonds will only be issued in the amount necessary to fund the project. This amount will be determined after all bids are reviewed. Council member Jim Mann made the motion to suspend the rules in order to pass Ordinance 2009-23, seconded by Council member Dave Kelly. All ayes, motion carried. Council member Jim Mann made the motion to pass Ordinance 2009-23, seconded by Council member Dave Kelly. All ayes, motion carried.

Accounts Payable

Council member Bill Smith made the motion to approve the accounts payable as presented, seconded by Council member Eric Storm. All ayes, motion carried.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Liz Oilar
Clerk Treasurer