

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
COMMON COUNCIL  
CITY OF MONTICELLO  
MONDAY, JUNE 20, 2011**

The meeting of the Common Council, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held on Monday, June 20, 2011 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, Grace Oilar, Bill Smith, and Eric Storm, and City Attorney George Loy.

There being no additions, deletions, or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting on Monday, June 6, 2011, a motion was made by Council Member Grace Oilar, seconded by Council Member Bill Smith, to approve the minutes as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

There was a deletion to the agenda – Consideration of Ball Corporation Compliance with Statement of Benefits – Christine Craig

**Citizen Participation**

Wayne Klinkhammer addressed the Council. He was at a previous Council meeting about a year ago. He lives at the end of East Ohio Street. He is wondering about the progress the City is making on improving the road conditions in that area. There is concern about poor road surface, blind corner, the blind narrow street, and drainage on the corner. Mayor Thompson stated that a design had been made by a local firm, but not as in-depth as a road construction design. It details power line easements, water easements, and sewer easements. The next step would be for the City to acquire properties to start the project. There are no grant dollars for this project so the City would be responsible for the cost. Mr. Klinkhammer wondered if the City could at least address the drainage problem at the corner. Street Superintendent Doug Roberts stated that an easement would have to be acquired in order to do so. It was decided for Mr. Klinkhammer to meet with Council Member Eric Storm and look over the design to see which easements would be needed to fix the drainage. Then a decision could be made on how to possibly fix this problem.

**Department Head Reports**

Wastewater Superintendent Joe Mowrer stated that it looks like it is going to be a long, wet summer. They are handling all they can handle at the plant. They are keeping National Homes unplugged the best they can.

Water Superintendent Rod Pool stated that it is pretty normal for his department. They have been doing several locates and relocates.

Police Chief Curt Blount stated that the last couple of weeks have been busy. This Wednesday the department is having emergency vehicle operations with Logansport, Monon, Brookston, Delphi, Carroll County, and Flora Police Departments. Next Monday and Tuesday they will be at fire arms training with the Brookston and Monon Police Departments. The Board of Works has acted on several of the abandoned homes.

The house on the 700 block of South Street has been taken off the list due to the improvements that have been made to the property.

Street Superintendent Doug Roberts stated that the most pressing issue right now is the rain. There was a problem on North Sixth Street. The Local 150 could not get their asphalt from the district they usually do so they will have to get it from the Peru district. There are plans to spread asphalt tomorrow and stabilize the north end. This rain is playing havoc with schedules. It has been normal but abnormal summertime work this year.

Park Superintendent Mitch Billue stated that this Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until noon they are going to have clean up at Altherr Nature Park. Things are going well in his department. For as much rain as we have had the pool is doing well.

Fire Chief Shane Swaim was absent from the meeting.

### **Committee Reports**

Council Member Dave Kelly reported on the National Homes Water Credit Committee. They met on Wednesday, June 8, 2011 considering the proposal to have some kind of a water rate rebate for the National Homes area because of the check valve problem. The committee recommended not doing that due to a number of reasons. Therefore, Council Member Kelly would like to withdraw the motion of June 6, 2011 to provide such a credit for the National Homes Project area.

### **Public Hearing – Proposed Ordinance Amending Charges for the Use of and the Services Rendered by the Waterworks of the City of Monticello, Indiana, by Providing Rates for Bulk Water Sales**

City Attorney George Loy stated that Water Superintendent Rod Pool wants to install a bulk water salesman. He has proposed the rates set forth in Ordinance 2011-06. Attorney Loy prepared and published a notice of hearing on those rates. He opened the floor for any questions, discussions, critique or otherwise concerning those proposed rates. Phil Vogel asked where the salesman would be located. It will be on the north side of the cemetery. There was discussion if semis can get in and out of there. There will be a quarter machine there to pay for the cost of the water. Debt cards given out by the City will be able to be used also. There was discussion of the hours the salesman would be open. Phil has concerns that this is in a residential area and the possibility of someone getting water late at night. This is not a money making project but a way for the water department to account for the water used for City projects, filling swimming pools, ect., which requires a rate schedule. Mayor Thompson closed the Public Hearing.

### **Consideration of Ordinance 2011-06; Amending Charges for the Use of and the Services Rendered by the Waterworks of the City of Monticello, Indiana, by Providing Rates for Bulk Water Sales**

Council Member Grace Oilar made the motion to pass Ordinance 2011-06; Amending Charges for the Use of and the Services Rendered by the Waterworks of the City of Monticello, Indiana, by Providing Bulk Water Sales, seconded by Council Member Jim Mann. All ayes, motion carried.

**Permission to Cross Main Street for Sculptures Sports & Fitness 5/k Strongman Competition – Cindy Crawford**

Cindy Crawford, Manager Sculptures Sports & Fitness, addressed the Council for permission to cross Main Street for the Sculptures Sports & Fitness 5/k Strongman Competition. This will be held on Saturday, July 23, 2011. Police Chief Curt Blount informed Cindy that her volunteers working the route will need to have reflective vests on. He will provide an officer at that intersection to help with the crossing. Council Member Grace Oilar made the motion to give permission to Sculptures Sports & Fitness to cross Main Street for the 5/k Strongman Competition on July 23rd, seconded by Council Member Eric Storm. All ayes, motion carried.

**Accounts Payable**

Council Member Jim Mann 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 6:34 p.m.

Liz Oilar, IAMC, CMC  
City Clerk Treasurer