

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
COMMON COUNCIL  
CITY OF MONTICELLO  
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2011**

The meeting of the Common Council, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held on Monday, April 18, 2011 at 6:25 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, April 4, 2011, a motion was made by Council Member Grace Oilar, seconded by Council Member Dave Kelly, to approve the minutes as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

**Department Head Reports**

Park Superintendent Mitch Billue stated that the foundation is in at Jordan Park for the playground. On March 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> several organizations will be there working on putting in the playground equipment. Surfacing material will go down the following week. They have been repairing things at Voigt Park. The pool heater is in the building and will be hooked up sometime this week. Thursday 97 Jr. High students will be helping with maintenance at the Park.

Water Superintendent Rod Pool stated that all the water and service lines are done in National Homes. On Sixth Street Diechman hit an eight inch water line that had to be repaired. Today Merrill Brothers hauled out of the plant eight semi truck loads of backwash, iron, and arsenic. This will be done every two years.

Street Superintendent Doug Roberts stated that they had brush pick up this week. They started cutting streets in National Homes. They started on Shafer Drive. Doug asked the Mayor and the Police Chief if the citizens in National Homes could park in their lawns if needed until the asphalt is completed and they can. The process for paving the streets are cut the street, put the stone in, put the curb and gutters in, and then do the asphalt. His department will be doing some crack sealing before long. There is stripping and crosswalks to do. There has been a request to take 5 or 6 trees out of National Homes. Council Member Grace Oilar had citizen concerns of pulling in their drives in National Homes and bottoming out. Doug feels this will not be a concern after the asphalt is completed. Today five gas lines were found under the streets in National Homes. They need to be put in deeper. Nipsco knows of this problem.

Fire Chief Shane Swaim stated that everything at the station is going pretty good. They just got the ambulance back from Bartlett's with a rebuilt engine in it. They have made a decision to get rid of this ambulance because of all the problems it has had. They are busy with runs.

Wastewater Superintendent Joe Mowrer stated that it is business as usual at the plant. He thanked Doug for hauling out brush for them. They have done some additional clean up at the Bryan's Lift Station site.

Police Chief Curt Blount gave the Council the March monthly totals. They are involved in a couple of major investigations that are keeping them busy. This week they are at the range qualifying. In a few weeks they will have news media training with Channel 18 and the local newspaper. He thanked Water Superintendent Rod Pool and Street Superintendent Doug Roberts for helping them out at the range.

**Consideration of Ordinance 2011-02; Amending Chapter 10 – Signs and Chapter 14 – Definitions – Area Plan**

Council Member Dave Kelly has worked on this signage issue for several weeks with Area Plan. He feels this amendment is workable and enforceable. He would like to see the Council pass this Ordinance but would like for them to study it and see if they have any questions. It would be passed at the next meeting. Council Member Jim Mann made the motion to table Ordinance 2011-02 until the next meeting so the Council has proper time to review it, seconded by Council Member Dave Kelly. All ayes, motion carried.

**Consideration of Ordinance 2011-03; Adopting the City of Monticello's Updated Personnel Policies Handbook**

Council Member Grace Oilar spoke for the Council with concerns that the changes they wanted made to the policy book have been changed. They do not have a complete updated book. Clerk Treasurer Liz Oilar stated that the draft book they have is updated up to the changes on page 15 and 25 requested at the last meeting. She has received documentation that those last changes also have been made to the policy book. Council Member Dave Kelly made the motion to approve Ordinance 2011-03; Adopting the City of Monticello, Indiana Personnel Policies Handbook, seconded by Council Member Jim Mann. All ayes, motion carried.

**Accounts Payable**

Council Member Grace Oilar 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 6:45 p.m.

Liz Oilar, IAMC  
City Clerk Treasurer