

**MINUTES OF MEETING
COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF MONTICELLO
Monday June 6, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Common Council, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held on Monday June 6, 2016, 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, Kim Kramer, Tim McQuinn and Phil Vogel. City Attorney George Loy was also present. Councilor Ralph Widmer was absent.

Minutes-Doug Pepple made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 16, 2016 meeting as presented. Kim Kramer seconded. All ayes, except Phil Vogel abstained, motion carried.

Additions & Deletions-None

Citizen Participation-Susan Wright representing the Literacy Volunteers of White County addressed the Council regarding a fundraiser the organization would like to have on 8-6-2016 called Monticello's Amazing Race. The event would involve two person teams with a registration fee of \$20.00. This would start at Constitution Plaza and go to different businesses for a trivia contest. Kim Kramer made a motion to approve the Literacy Volunteers event beginning at 9:00 am on Saturday August 6th and concluding at approximately noon. Doug Pepple seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Department Heads Reports-Parks Department Superintendent Mitch Billue indicated the amphitheatre at Altherr Nature Park is completed. In addition, two Eagle Scouts (Brennan Zarse and Connor Oldenkamp) will be working on projects at the park. New playground equipment is being installed at the City Park that was donated by Whiskey and Wine Saloon. The equipment is geared to handicapped children. ADA Coordinator Cathy Gross offered a "thank you" to IU White Memorial for hosting the Health and Safety Fair. Wastewater Superintendent Joe Mowrer said a transducer had to be replaced at Bryan's Lift Station. Street Commissioner Frank Arthur mentioned there are street painting projects now underway. The Main Street sidewalk project is done except for planting a few trees. Fire Chief Galen Logan said the Department is putting on an extracation course with donated vehicles. The Department had a house donated to them to use for training. Water Superintendent Rod Pool indicated they repaired a broken water main on Maxwell Street. Assistant Police Chief Tim McFadden said they made it through Memorial Weekend without any major issues.

Committee Reports-Councilor Tim McQuinn said the Tioga Road committee will be having a meeting prior to the next Council Meeting. And, Doug Pepple indicated the Ordinance Committee has formed recommendations for updating fees and fines. City Attorney George Loy will have to draft an Ordinance to amend the existing rules.

Old Business:

1. Permission to have a food cart on Constitution Plaza-The Council decided to have the Ordinance Committee draft language that would be used in an ordinance to deal with an annual fee and a City policy addressing food vendors.
2. Free Little Library-Council President Doug Pepple mentioned that he met with Monica Casanova about this Library initiative. The Rotary Club is going help make these library stands. Various locations have been discussed, but not decided upon at this point. Doug will continue to follow up with Monica on this matter.

New Business:

1. Relay For Life-Permission to put up a banner on Main Street and request to attach purple banners on light poles. Erin Ellis requested that the committee be allowed to “paint the town purple” with light pole banners. It was recommended the large banner be placed at the Court House gazebo. The banners would be placed on the poles beginning June 22nd and taken down on July 10th. Tim McQuinn made a motion to approve the request. Kim Kramer seconded. All ayes, motion carried.
2. Our Lady of the Lakes-Request for alley closure on June 11th. Susan Jordan representing the Church requested permission in order that a picnic could be held. Phil Vogel made a motion to approve the request. Doug Pepple seconded. All ayes, motion carried.
3. Extension of South Street by new Fire Station-Mayor Houston outlined an opportunity for the City to extend South Street West by approximately 275 feet. It would involve sidewalks, curbs, water lines, sewer lines, drainage, and an extended road. There is savings for the overall project cost to consider while the contractors are on site with the equipment. LOIT and MVH funds would be used to pay for the project. Councilor Phil Vogel requested the street be widened to build a turn lane onto Sixth Street. It would be less expensive and good planning to do so at this point in the development of the area. There would be an effort to engineer a wider street section. The results of this effort will be presented as soon as possible. Doug Pepple made a motion to extend South Street with sidewalks, curbs, utility extensions and drainage. Tim McQuinn seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Accounts Payable Vouchers-None

Miscellaneous and all other matters-Mayor Houston asked the Council to consider the possibility of curbside recycling.

Adjournment-There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

James D Mann
Clerk Treasurer
City of Monticello