

**MINUTES OF MEETING
COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF MONTICELLO
MONDAY APRIL 17, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Common Council, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held on Monday April 17, 2017, at 6:20 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 Ralph Widmer, Doug Pepple, Tim McQuinn, Kim Kramer and Phil Vogel. City Attorney George Loy was also present.

Minutes-Phil Vogel made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 3, 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 presented an outline related to the maintenance and repair of the City's Collection System. He indicated he was not looking for approval for anything. Adam reported the goal would be to switch from a "reactive" plan for maintaining the collection system to a "proactive" system of prioritizing repairs/lining of the sewers. There are 36 miles of sewer lines to maintain within the City. Street Commissioner Frank Arthur reported the Storm Sirens will be installed very soon. INDOT will be installing new traffic lights around the City. Frank also reported that the paint is peeling off the new trash can lids and he is in contact with the manufacturer for a resolution. Water Superintendent Rod Pool said there was an initial meeting on the E South Street Project and it should be starting in 30 days. Fire Chief Galen Logan reported three firefighters (Mohler, Hampton, and Lee) will be attending a live training event. He also indicated there has been progress at the new station with drywall, painting, and roof panels. ADA Coordinator Cathy Gross promoted June 15 as a "Save the Date" meeting with the White County Health Coalition. Tentative date for the Golf Outing will be August 12th at Hollow Acres. Police Chief Randy Soliday thanked everyone for their thoughts and prayers with the passing of his Mother. Nathan Meyers will be attending a Detective School. Chris Blake will be attending Crime Scene School. Chief Soliday showed everyone the Active Shooter Kits and thanked the Council and Rotary Club for their funding assistance. Parks Superintendent Mitch Billue reported the concrete pad area at the pool has been repaired. He plans to begin filling the pool on May 12th.

Committee Reports-None

Old Business

1. Water Modeling Update-Since the Council Members were present for the Board of Works Meeting and heard that presentation Mayor Houston encouraged them to ask questions at any time. They could reach out to Rod Pool or Beth Martin of Commonwealth.

New Business

1. Discussion of Random Drug Testing Policy and Contract-Mayor Houston outlined the fact that the requirements for testing are in the Policy Manual and the company we had been using is now out of business. He advocates going with 4 tests annually and having 10 employees test each time. The cost for this is \$3,500.00. Doug Pepple made a motion to approve the agreement with Midwest Toxicology and pay the invoice out of the Contractual Services line item. Kim Kramer seconded.
2. Discussion of City Handbook-Revisions and Policies-Mayor Houston recommended the Council, Board of Works and Department Heads review the Policy Manual for any changes necessary. The Mayor indicated some omissions have been found as well. We will also need to make some changes due to the drug testing policy discussed this evening. June 5th is the date set to bring formal changes back before the Council.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS-Phil Vogel made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Ralph Widmer seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Miscellaneous and All Other Matters-Phil Vogel inquired about the trees being planted along Main Street. Frank Arthur indicated the trees should be replaced every 7-10 years. Frank also mentioned some cities remove the trees after 5 years and sell them.

Adjournment-There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

James D Mann
Clerk Treasurer
City of Monticello