

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
COMMON COUNCIL  
CITY OF MONTICELLO  
MONDAY MAY 6, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Common Council, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held on May 6, 2019 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, Phil Vogel and Ralph Widmer. City Attorney George Loy was also present.

**Minutes**-Doug Pepple made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 15, 2019 meeting at 6:00 pm as presented. Ralph Widmer seconded the motion. Roll call vote: McQuinn-Aye, Kramer-Abstain, Pepple-Aye, Vogel-Abstain, Widmer-Aye. Motion carried.

**Additions & Deletions**-None

**Citizen Participation**-Jim Davis of 306 S Illinois Street addressed the Council regarding a water issue in front of his house. Mayor Houston indicated the City will review the issue and get back to him on the matter.

**Department Head Reports**-Parks Department Supervisor Mitch Billue reported that seasonal hiring is underway. Re-surfacing of the pool bath house has been completed. Paving at the City Park Access Site should be completed on May 6<sup>th</sup>. Street Commissioner Frank Arthur reported the work on Gordon Road is progressing. Concrete curbs and approaches are being poured with paving soon to follow. Fire Chief Galen Logan reported that District 4 approved the purchase of a concrete saw and a chain saw. He plans on having names for 2 new firefighters ready for the next Board of Works meeting of May 20<sup>th</sup>. Wastewater Supervisor Adam Downey reported there would be training activities this week. Accu-dig has completed the clean and televise contract. City Engineer Jason Miller is working on plans for a project on Fisher Street. ADA Coordinator Cathy Gross thanked everyone for helping with Disability Awareness Month. She said she will be attending the Tri-County Career Fair event on May 9<sup>th</sup>. Water Superintendent Rod Pool said the number of locates are increasing. Police Chief Randy Soliday reported he hopes to have a name to present to the Board of Works from their interviewing process for a new police officer. Dane Holmes will be graduating from the Police Academy on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Committee Reports**-None

**Old Business**

1. **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Ordinance 2019-04-Amendment to Zoning Ordinance A57 Odor Control**-Tim McQuinn made a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-04 on 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. Kim Kramer seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

2. **Discussion of Dump Truck-Street Department**-Street Commissioner Frank Arthur indicated he has written confirmation from both vendors that the price will be committed to both truck orders even through the delivery dates will be split-one for late in 2019 and one for early in 2020. City Attorney George Loy said the Council is taking action for budgetary purposes yet the decision to make the purchase is with the Board of Works. Phil Vogel asked if some of the trash fee funds could be used for capital improvements such as running a sewer line to Pine View Lodge. Doug Pepple made a motion to approve the use of funds from the 623 account to purchase a dump truck. The amount would be the same as the previously ordered truck. Kim Kramer seconded the motion. Roll call vote: McQuinn-aye, Kramer-aye, Pepple-aye, Vogel-nay, and Widmer-nay. Motion carried.
3. **Discussion of Parking Lot-Council on Aging**-Street Commissioner Frank Arthur reported there are estimates from Central Paving and Town & Country for removing the concrete, preparing with stone, and paving the lot. There is also one from Wrede & Sons for removing the concrete. Ralph Widmer expressed concern on the matter of drainage and getting the job done correctly. Frank explained that until the concrete is removed it is hard to know exactly what we will be dealing with. He said they do know there is wet sand under some areas of the concrete. He also said the curbing may not be able to be saved. Phil Vogel asked if there was any consideration for drainage with the estimates. Frank stated no. It was decided to table this matter in order to have City Engineer Jason Miller review the project for his feedback.

### New Business

1. **Kayla Soliday-Twin Lakes Cheerleaders-Bucket Shake**-Kayla requested permission for a bucket shake fundraiser on Friday June 7<sup>th</sup> from 11 am to 2 pm with June 12 being a rain date. These would be held at the approved street intersections. Phil Vogel made a motion to approve the request. Kim Kramer seconded. All ayes, motion carried.
2. **Adkev-Bonnie Cothran-Statement of Benefits**-Bonnie reported to the Council that in 2018 Adkev employed 307 people with a payroll of \$6.6 million. This is an increase of 177 employees with an increase in payroll of \$2 million from 2017. Doug Pepple made a motion to approve the CF-1 Statement of Benefits documents for real and personal property as presented. Phil Vogel seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.
3. **SFLECC-John Koppelman-Task Force Update**-John provided background on the activities of the Task Force in their efforts to influence FERC to adopt standards for managing lake levels with regulations that align with those of the SFLECC. In June of 2018 FERC issued a final order which went against the findings of the SFLECC and ultimately aligned with those advocated by US Fish & Wildlife. On March 15<sup>th</sup> the SFLECC filed against FERC in Washington DC District Court to have them reconsider the science behind the SFLECC's case for proper management of water levels. The SFLECC has to file a brief by June 17<sup>th</sup>. John said this will cost the SFLECC approximately \$85,000. John asked the City for \$20,000.00 and indicated he is hoping for the same from Carroll County, White County and others. The Council decided to take the matter under advisement and confirm what financial commitment could be made to the SFLECC.

- 4. Public Hearing-Additional Appropriations Match for Community Crossings-City**  
Attorney George Loy opened the hearing at 6:48 pm and indicated the funds in question would be coming from Motor Vehicle Highway in the amount of \$150,000.00. Clerk Treasurer Jim Mann stated the reason for the additional appropriations is for using the \$150,000.00 as a match for the Community Crossings project. Doug Pepple made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-02 as presented. Phil Vogel seconded. All ayes, motion carried.
  
- 5. Discussion of Appraisal for Old Fire Station-**Mayor Houston reported that he will be meeting on May 7<sup>th</sup> with Phil Vogel and Ralph Widmer to discuss the matter and define the next steps.

**Miscellaneous and All Other Matters**-Phil Vogel inquired about the potential of having a sidewalk constructed along US 24 West along McDonald's to Walmart when the highway gets repaved in the future. Frank Arthur reported that a plan to extend sidewalks down Washington Street all the way to Walmart has been discussed. It would involve the Wastewater Department and sidewalks, curbs, gutters, storm water repairs, and street resurfacing.

**Adjournment**-There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

James D Mann  
Clerk Treasurer  
City of Monticello