

**COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF MONTICELLO
TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2026**

A regular meeting of the Common Council, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held at 120 W Washington St on January 20, 2026. The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by Mayor Aaron Sims. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. While the meeting was conducted in-person, it was available via Zoom and live on YouTube and Facebook.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Aaron Sims, Councilors Gary Allen, Bill Cheever, Tim McQuinn, Dave Patty and Attorney George Loy, answered in-person by Clerk Treasurer Shanda Cortez.

MINUTES:

Councilor Cheever made motion to approve the minutes from the January 15,2026 meeting. Councilor McQuinn seconded. All ayes.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS: None

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: None

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS: Written reports were submitted with possible Q & A from the Mayor and Council. No questions were asked.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **COUNCIL COMMITTEES:** Councilor Patty stated that council decided on their committees and no questions were asked. Councilor Patty made a motion. Councilor Allen seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.
2. **LOWRY PURCHASE AGREEMENT:** This was approved by the Board of Works on 12/29/25. Council was needed to move forward with the agreement. Discussion of funds about the Transfer Ordinance 2026-01 was had. Councilor Patty made motion to approve. Councilor McQuinn seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **AREA PLAN: ORDINANCE 2026-A87: AMENDING ZONING ORDINANCE APPENDIX A:** Area Plan Director Jenilynne spoke about the ordinance. Councilor Allen made motion to approve. Councilor Cheever seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.
2. **AREA PLAN: ORDINANCE 2026-A88: AMENDING ZONING ORDINANCE CH. 8:** Area Plan Director Jenilynne spoke about the ordinance. Councilor Allen made motion to approve. Councilor Patty seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.
3. **ORDINANCE 2026-01: TRANSFERRING FUNDS:** Discussion of transferring funds from \$100,000 to \$20,000 for LIT-Misc. Ordinance will be amended to \$20,000 for transferring. Councilor Patty made motion to approve amendment and move to 2nd reading. Councilor McQuinn seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.
4. **KAREN ALDRICH—POPPY DAY BUCKET SHAKE APPROVAL:** Karen spoke about the bucket shake on 5/15-5/16/26 from 9am-2pm. Councilor Cheever made motion to approve. Councilor McQuinn seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.
5. **APPROVAL OF ALLOWANCE DOCKET—PAYPERIOD ENDING 1/11/26:** No questions. Councilor Cheever made motion. Councilor Allen seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.
6. **APPROVAL OF APV's 1/1/26-1/14/26:** No questions. Councilor McQuinn made a motion. Councilor Cheever seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS AND ALL OTHER: None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Respectfully,
Shanda Cortez
Clerk Treasurer, City of Monticello