MINUTES OF MEETING BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY CITY OF MONTICELLO October 15, 2018

The regular meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety, of the City of Monticello, Indiana was held on Monday October 15, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ken Houston and was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call, by Clerk Treasurer Jim Mann, was answered by Mayor Ken Houston, Board Members Grace Oilar and Andy Harmon. City Attorney George Loy was also present.

A motion was made by Board Member Andy Harmon, seconded by Grace Oilar to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 17, 2018. All ayes, motion carried.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA-Mayor Houston requested that Utility Adjustments be moved to number 5 on the agenda. And, Consideration of Employee Disciplinary Action be number 3 and Consideration of County Commissioner's Tax Sale Certificates be number 4 and both be added to the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Water Department-Neptune Hosting Agreement-Superintendent Rod Pool outlined a brief history of using Neptune's software on our server network and the unresolved issues even with the best efforts of our IT company and Neptune's experts. He said the software was moved off of our server and loaded on Neptune's server. There have been no issues over the past 5 months. City Attorney George Loy indicated he has had discussions with Erich Nugent of Utility Supply regarding a hosting agreement Neptune requested the City consider and approve. There is a hosting fee of \$9,000.00 per year over the three years of the agreement. And, there are termination rights for both parties with 120 days notice. Mayor Houston made a motion to approve the agreement in its substantial form with Neptune effective October 1 2018. Andy Harmon seconded the motion. Phil Vogel asked about West Lafayette and the use of the same meters...why they have no problems and we do. Rod Pool said West Lafayette is a bigger City with a larger IT Department with which to resolve problems. Mayor Houston said the City (through the efforts of our IT support) has made diligent efforts to make Neptune software work on our server. But, it has not worked. Doug Pepple stated he feels Neptune is taking advantage of the City's circumstances. Roll call vote on the motion as follows: Oilar-aye, Harmon-aye, and Houston-aye. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. <u>Wastewater-</u>Commonwealth Invoice 42234-Grace Oilar made a motion to approve the invoice in the amount of \$64.17. Andy Harmon seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

- **2.** <u>Police Department</u>-Permission to Hire Police Officers-Grace Oilar made a motion to permit the Police Department to hire Luke Mowery as a full time patrolman pending the passing of his pension physical and acceptance into the 1977 fund. Andy Harmon seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.
- 3. <u>Consideration of Employee Disciplinary Action</u>-Mayor Ken Houston stated that he was presented some documentation from Chief Logan of Fire Department regarding disciplinary actions taken at the MFD. In sharing the information with the other Board members Mayor Houston made a motion to take the matter under advisement for review and discussion in an Executive Session and reconvene a Board of Works meeting to determine what decisions, if any, would need to be made. Andy Harmon seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.
- **4.** Consideration of County Commissioners Tax Sale Certificates—City Attorney George Loy indicated the County would transfer the tax liens to the City and there would be a 120 day right of redemption by the property owner. George would then prepare resolutions for the Board of Works and the Council on the transfer of the properties. Andy Harmon made a motion to move forward with acceptance of the tax sale properties identified as 318 Cleveland Street and 221 Dewey Street. Mayor Houston seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.
- **5.** Consider a Notice of Receiving Bids for Two Year Cash Rent on Farm Property-Andy Harmon made a motion to advertise and receive bids for the cash rent of the City's farm land for 2019 and 2020. Grace Oilar seconded. All ayes, motion carried.
- **6.** <u>Utility Adjustments</u>-Grace Oilar made a motion to approve the adjustments as presented. Andy Harmon seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS AND ALL OTHER MATTERS-None

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

James D Mann Clerk Treasurer City of Monticello