

**MINUTES OF MEETING
COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF MONTICELLO
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Common Council, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held on Monday September 21, 2015, at 6:05 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 Cathy Gross, Phil Vogel, Doug Pepple, and Ralph Widmer. City Attorney George Loy was also present.

Minutes-Ralph Widmer made a motion to approve the minutes from September 8, 2015. Doug Pepple seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Additions & Deletions-None

Citizen Participation-Linda Tolzin, 503 Gordon Road Monticello Indiana 47960

Mrs. Tolzin addressed the Council regarding the water problem in the basement of her residence. Wastewater Superintendent Joe Mowrer along with City Engineer Jason Miller have been to the Tolzin property to review the water situation. Mrs. Tolzin feels there is a broken tile because of the volume of water they are pumping from the basement. It was recommended that one possible avenue for relief could be to coordinate drainage improvements with the Gordon Road Street project that is currently in design with American Structurepoint.

Department Heads Reports- Parks Superintendent Mitch Billue said that Ball Corporation and IU White Memorial have donated 100 hours of time towards parks maintenance. REMC will be working with the Parks employees on October 9th to assist on projects. Mitch thanked all the Department Heads for helping at the City Park on 9-21 to clean up trees and debris following the storm. Rotary Club members will be helping on 9-22-15. Frank Arthur indicated that the Street rejuvenation projects are working out well. He has surveyed the City for dead trees and stopped counting at 60. Joe Mowrer with the Wastewater Department said the needed to use the generator for almost 24 hours since the power was out as a result of the storm. Rod Pool with the water department said the generator ran at the plant for nearly 24 hours. Final inspections will be done with the water towers and once completed final payment to the contractor will be made. Police Chief Randy Soliday indicated that our crossing guard at the high school was run over and had to be sent to the hospital. She is at Methodist in Indianapolis. The officers have been issued body cameras.

Fire Chief Galen Logan indicated he and Mayor Houston spoke to the Chamber Of Commerce about the history of the department and the new fire station. October 5-9 is Fire Prevention Week.

Committee Reports-None

Old Business

1. Investment Policy, Resolution 2015-03 and Ordinance 2015-11 for Cash Advisory Services with Umbaugh & Associates. Doug Pepple made a motion to suspend the rules in order to pass Ordinance 2015-11 on first reading. Cathy Gross seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried. Doug Pepple made a motion to approve Ordinance 2015-11 An Ordinance Of The Common Council Of The City Of Monticello Authorizing The Investment of Public Funds More Than Two (2) Years and Not More Than Five (5) Years Pursuant to IC 5-13-9-5.7. Ralph Widmer seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Cathy Gross made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-03 A Resolution Of The Common Council Of The City Of Monticello Authorizing The Investment Of Public Funds Pursuant To I.C. 5-13-9-5 And 5-13-9-5.3. The motion also included the Investment Policy document. Phil Vogel seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

2. Donation to SOMA-Mayor Ken Houston indicated he would like the Council to provide \$1,500.00 for SOMA so they can build funds necessary to operate the organization. They did receive Main Street Designation which opens up opportunities for loans and grants. The Tourism Authority recently agreed to donate \$1,000.00 to SOMA. Cathy Gross made a motion to donate \$1,500.00 to SOMA. Doug Pepple seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

New Business:

1. Brittany Lane Water Line Loop-Water Superintendent Rod Pool explained the water line situation in this neighborhood area. Recently a house sold in this area and the new owner wants to be hooked up to water. Due to the age and size of the water lines and it would be appropriate to consider providing an updated water loop throughout a section of this area. There are 6 inch lines from Airport Road in Brittany Lane. But, some of the service lines to the homes are probably 1". The project would improve water quality and fire protection service. The matter was taken under advisement. More details on expense and design details were requested.

Accounts Payable-Cathy Gross made a motion to accept the Accounts Payable as presented. Ralph Widmer seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Miscellaneous and All Other Matters-None

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

James D Mann
Clerk Treasurer
City of Monticello