

**MINUTES OF MEETING
COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF MONTICELLO
MONDAY DECEMBER 7, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Common Council, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held on Monday December 7, 2015, 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 Phil Vogel, Doug Pepple, Kim Kramer and Ralph Widmer. City Attorney George Loy was also present.

Minutes-Ralph Widmer made a motion to approve the minutes from November 16, 2015 meeting as presented. Phil Vogel seconded. All ayes, motion passed.

Additions & Deletions-None

Citizen Participation-None

Department Heads Reports-Joe Mowrer with the Wastewater Treatment Plant indicated the plant ran at 86% of capacity for November and the plant treated 28.5 million gallons of water. Water Superintendent Rod Pool said that there is a water main break at the corner of South Park Drive and Allen Street. Repairs will be made once the exact location is determined. Street Commissioner Frank Arthur indicated they would be picking up leaves during the week and then have another brush pick up around the City. He also said they will try to deal with some dead trees. Police Chief Randy Soliday reported that the classes he attended on body cameras and social media were helpful. Jason Lingenfelter will attend a class on December 8th on terrorism. December 13th is the Shop with a Cop event. He said there are telephone scams going on and wanted to warn the public. Mitch Billue of the Parks Department indicated that the Rotary Club has paid for and is finishing the second shelter at Bluewater. Quality Construction has completed the repairs on the Benjamin Pavillion at the City Park. Mitch indicated he met with a soil scientist at Purdue about creating a wetland area at Altherr Park. The good news is that the soils meet the requirements. Mitch said they are also working on new parking spaces at Dodge Camp. And, there are 3 trees left to be purchased regarding the 50 Trees of Indiana Program. Mayor Houston reported that the handicap lift has been delivered and it works really well.

Old Business

1. Second Reading of Ordinance 2015-20 Approving and adopting the City Of Monticello Policy and Procedure Manual. Doug Pepple made a motion to approve with Kim Kramer providing a second on the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

2. Police Department-Request to Transfer Funds per the second reading of Ordinance 2015-21. Ralph Widmer made a motion to approve the ordinance. Phil Vogel seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

New Business:

1. Election of Four Trustees to the IACT Medical Trust Board

Clerk Treasurer Jim Mann explained the process to vote on the nominees for the Board. Jim recommended Mayor Tony Roswarski of Lafayette, Sue Essman from Angola, Michael Griffin from Highland and himself. Phil Vogel made a motion to permit the Council President to sign the ballot on behalf of the City and vote for the individuals Jim recommended. Kim Kramer seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Miscellaneous and all other matters

Mayor Houston indicated that plans are underway for a groundbreaking event for the new Fire Station. He also indicated that the City will need to re-address temporary use permits with the Area Plan Commission. The Mayor also stated that the current Department Heads will remain for 2016. The swearing in ceremony will be held after the 12-21-2015 Council meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

James D Mann
Clerk Treasurer
City of Monticello