

**MINUTES OF MEETING
COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF MONTICELLO
TUESDAY JANUARY 3, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Common Council, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held on Tuesday January 3, 2017, 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, Ralph Widmer, Tim McQuinn, Kim Kramer and Phil Vogel. City Attorney George Loy was also present.

Minutes-Ralph Widmer made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 19, 2016 meeting as presented. Tim McQuinn seconded the motion. All ayes except for Kim Kramer who abstained, motion carried.

Additions & Deletions-None

Citizen Participation-None

Department Heads Reports

Wastewater Superintendent Adam Downey indicated there were some problems with the North Main Street lift station because of melting snow and with the Bryan's lift station due to a power outage. The new wastewater plant project is two months ahead of schedule. Water Superintendent Rod Pool reported there have been 15 broken water main since 11-1-2016. Street Commissioner Frank Arthur informed the audience that there will be live Christmas tree pick up. They have installed the posts at Tioga Hill and will be finishing the project soon. ADA Coordinator Cathy Gross reported the art contest due date is 1-11-17. Judging will be 1-18-2017. Disability Awareness month is in March and the Mayor's Council is seeking sponsor's for raising awareness through the sale of banners. Fire Chief Galen Logan said the Polar Plunge event is coming up and he is seeking donations. The donations are for the Special Olympics program. Parks Superintendent Mitch Billue reported that KIRPC has been assisting the Parks Board on the Land and Water Conservation Fund application. This will be utilized to aid in the purchase of the property South of the Nature Park. Police Chief Randy Soliday informed the audience the Police Department is back up to full staffing. The two new police cars are in the process of being equipped for duty. Two cars are being traded in.

Committee Reports-None

Old Business

- 1. East South Street Water Main Project**-Beth Martin of Commonwealth Engineering outlined the status of the plan on the water line replacement along with the potential of curbs, sidewalks and street re-surfacing. The plans are underway and a notice of intent needs to be submitted to INDOT soon, if we want to get the project ready to bid.

New Business

- 1. White County Information Guide 2017**-Cindy Beck-Warren
Cindy indicated the price of the ad will be \$115.00 for a ¼ page. The price is the same as 2016 and is color. Phil Vogel made a motion to approve the ad for 2017 with the provision the Council members be added to the ad. Ralph Widmer seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

2. **Discussion of Council Appointments to the Redevelopment Commission**-Doug Pepple made a motion to appoint Dan Oldenkamp and Mark Gamble as Monticello Redevelopment Commission members for 2017. Kim Kramer seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.
3. **Council Appointment to the NW Indiana Solid Waste District**-Doug Pepple made a motion to appoint Tim McQuinn to the District. Ralph Widmer seconded. All ayes, motion carried.
4. **Council Appointment to the Area Plan Commission**-Kim Kramer made a motion to appoint Doug Pepple to the APC. Tim McQuinn seconded. All ayes, motion carried.
5. **Discussion of Council Liaison Responsibilities**-Doug Pepple made a motion to maintain the responsibilities for 2017 as they were in 2016. Phil Vogel seconded. All ayes, motion carried.
6. **Election of Council President**-Phil Vogel made a motion to appoint Doug Pepple as Council President for 2017. Kim Kramer seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Miscellaneous and All Other Matters- None

Adjournment-There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

James D Mann
Clerk Treasurer
City of Monticello