

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
COMMON COUNCIL  
CITY OF MONTICELLO  
TUESDAY JANUARY 21, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Common Council, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held on January 21, 2020 at 6:10 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Cathy Gross and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call, by Clerk Treasurer Jim Mann, was answered by Councilors Kim Kramer, Bill Cheever, Ralph Widmer, and Doug Pepple. City Attorney George Loy was also present.

**Minutes**-Kim Kramer made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of January 6, 2020 as presented. Bill Cheever seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

**Additions & Deletions**-None

**Citizen Participation**-None

**Department Head Reports**-Mayor Gross introduced Katherine Tardiff who is the new ADA Coordinator for the City. Police Chief Jason Lingenfelter introduced Detective Ryan Pyle. Jason indicated he will be bringing an officer to Council meetings periodically to connect a face with a name. He also said the department was working to set goals. Parks Department Superintendent Mitch Billue reported the department is maintaining much of the equipment at this time. Mitch noted two upcoming programs on February 4, a Valentine's Day Craft and on February 6, Woodburning of Tree Rounds. Fire Chief Galen Logan reported that he attended the Local Emergency Planning Committee meeting on January 7, 2020. He asked the LEPC to help pay for phone equipment. The Fire Department received a \$22,000.00 grant from IPEP to purchase a cot lifting device to position a patient for lifting them into the ambulance. Also, Ryan Hahn passed his written exam with 150 questions and then passed his skills test. Street Commissioner Frank Arthur reported that the department has been changing out street signage to the larger, reflective options. They have also been fixing pot holes. Frank added that the department pre-treated the streets last Friday before the predicted snow which did fall on Saturday. And, the pre-treatment worked out well. Water Superintendent Rod Pool reported there have been 7 water main breaks thus far. He offered a big thank you for the help provided by the State Highway Department during the recent water main break by the library. Wastewater Superintendent Adam Downey indicated there was a 2.5" rain which resulted in 1.86 million gallons of water being run through the plant. Assistant Superintendent Bob Lindley has been pursuing his advanced degree at Ivy Tech and has achieved a 4.0 grade point average. Congratulation Bob! Adam also reviewed the challenges of dealing with "locates". It is time consuming for water and wastewater. Mayor Gross indicated further discussion would be required on this matter.

**Committee Reports**-None

### **Old Business-**

- 1. Council Appointment to the NW Indiana Solid Waste District-**Council President Doug Pepple made a motion to appoint Bill Cheever to the NW Indiana Solid Waste District Board. Kim Kramer seconded the motion. All ayes, except Bill Cheever who abstained. Motion carried. Doug Pepple made a motion to approve Kim Kramer as an alternative to the NW Indiana Waste Board. Ralph Widmer seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

### **New Business**

- 1. White County Information Guide-Cindy Beck-**Cindy handed out copies of the 2019 Information Guide for the Council, Mayor and Clerk Treasurer. Doug Pepple made a motion to approve the \$325.00 advertisement on the inside front cover of the guide with the Mayor, Council and Clerk Treasurer splitting the cost three ways. Bill Cheever seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.
- 2. Accounts Payable Vouchers-**Ralph Widmer made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Bill Cheever seconded the motion. 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