

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
COMMON COUNCIL  
CITY OF MONTICELLO  
MONDAY APRIL 15, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Common Council, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held at 120 West Washington Street on April 15, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm by Mayor Aaron Sims. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. While the meeting was conducted in person, it was also available via Zoom and live on Facebook.

**Roll Call:** Called by Clerk Treasurer Doug Pepple was answered by Mayor Aaron Sims; Councilors Shanda Cortez, Bill Cheever, Gary Allen, Dave Patty and Kim Kramer; and City Attorney George Loy.

**Minutes:** Shanda Cortez moved to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2024 Council meeting. Gary Allen seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

**Additions & Deletions:** None

**Citizen Participation:** None

**Committee Reports:** None

**Department Head Reports:** Written reports were provided to the Council and Mayor. No questions arose from the reports.

**Old Business:**

**2024 Cruise-in.** – Ken Prieboy requested the road closing on Broadway from Illinois Street to Main Street on Tuesday evenings from 5 to 8pm, beginning May 7<sup>th</sup> and ending on October 29<sup>th</sup>. Councilor Cheever moved to provide permission for the cruise-in, seconded by Councilor Cortez. All ayes, the motion passed.

Ms. Amy Roberts addressed the council and expresses strong interest in encouraging the development of a weekly event that would be anchored by the Cruise-in and the Farmers' Market.

**Make My Move Discussion.** – Deb Conover described the successes of the program after the first year. She fielded questions from the Council. Deb then introduced Michael Ogden Harris, one of the “Movers” who came to Monticello after living in Spain for several years. Michael expressed his pleasure in living here and has entrepreneurial aspirations. Make My Move representative Ryan Pike explained the cost to renew the program for one year would be split with the County. The City would pay 20% or \$6,329.20 and 80% for the County or \$25,316.80. A motion was made to renew the City with the Make My Move Program by Councilor Cheever and seconded by Councilor Allen. All ayes; the motion carried.

**New Business:**

**American Legion Bucket Shake** Ms. Pam Mowrer, having been involved with this fundraiser for several years, asked the Council's permission to have bucket shake fundraiser on “Poppy Day”, May 17<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 2pm. All donations will go towards local veterans. Councilor Cheever moved to allow the event, seconded by Councilor Cortez. All ayes, the motion passed.

**Area Plan Rezone Petition #1190.** Area Plan Director Jenilynne Kyburz brought this petition from the Area Plan Commission with a 9 to 0 vote recommending the rezone for the Council's consideration. After explaining the rezone for the property at 706 N. Main was to accommodate an office in the apartment building. Councilor Allen moved to adopt the rezone petition which was seconded by Councilor Patty. All ayes; the motion was passed. The petition was given the City's ordinance # 2024-08.

**Street Department Request to Vacate a Portion of Railroad Street.** This matter was table for a future meeting.

**Accounts Payable.** Councilor Allen moved to accept the Accounts Payable Voucher report which was seconded by Councilor Cheever. All ayes; the motion was passed.

**Miscellaneous and All Other Matters:** None

**Adjournment:** There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Respectfully,

Doug Pepple

Clerk Treasurer, City of Monticello