

**MINUTES OF MEETING
COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF MONTICELLO
TUESDAY JANUARY 22, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Common Council, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held on January 22, 2019 at 6:01 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, Phil Vogel, and Kim Kramer. City Attorney George Loy was also present.

Minutes-Ralph Widmer made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 7, 2019 meeting at 6:00 pm as presented. Kim Kramer seconded the motion. All ayes, except Phil Vogel who abstained, motion carried.

Additions & Deletions-Mayor Houston requested item 2 under New Business Accounts Payable Vouchers” be moved to item 3 and item 2 be added as Cindy Beck-Warren representing the White County Information Directory for 2019. Also, Mayor Houston acknowledged Dylan Sievers and Josh Goodmon with RQAW engineers who are working on the South Main Street sidewalk project.

Citizen Participation-James T Cook thanked the Street Department for their work cleaning up the streets during the last two snow storms.

Department Heads Reports-Police Chief Randy Soliday reported that Dane Holmes will be attending the Police Academy beginning on 2-4-2019. He will be there for 18 weeks. Fire Chief Galen Logan reported the department had an audit review on 1-15-2019. He also indicated he assisted with the judging of the ADA Art Show. Galen also said he will be attending an initial meeting with a newly formed Opioids Crises Team on 1-25-2019. ADA Coordinator Cathy Gross reported there was over 100 art projects turned in as a part of the ADA Art Show. The annual basketball game featuring the Lafayette Spinners and City Teams will be held on March 7th. Mile in My Shoes Day will be held on March 21st. Street Commissioner Frank Arthur reported the snow has been keeping the department busy. Over the past 2 weekends the department has run up an additional 240 man hours moving and removing snow within the City. Frank said they have used 130 tons of salt and 60 tons of sand so far during snow removal season. Wastewater Superintendent Adam Downey reported that we have received the preliminary rate analysis information from Umbaugh, but we have not received their report on the water utility yet. He also indicated the 10 year land application permit has been received from IDEM. Bob Lindley has started working on his Associate’s Degree through Ivy Tech. Parks Superintendent Mitch Billue reported the Parks Board recently voted to raise the fees on pavilion and facility rentals for 2019. Mitch said he will be applying for a \$5,000 grant through the Arrowhead R C & D. Mayor Houston said that Water Supervisor Rod Pool was at a conference. Rod has calculated the man hours expense involved in managing “locates” is \$60,000.00.

Committee Reports-None

Old Business-None

New Business

1. **Consideration of Ground Water Use Restriction Ordinance**-City Attorney George Loy provided background information on this matter. He indicated he has received phone calls from an attorney and an engineering firm regarding a property located at 624 S Main Street. Years ago the property was a filling station and the buried fuel tanks were removed. But, there was contamination in the ground which migrated south, Approximately 50 test wells have been dug to monitor the contamination. Now the contamination has been considered stable in the opinion of IDEM. The ordinance would prohibit the drilling of wells for domestic use within the containment area (map provided). George also provided a list of affected property owners. As this is the initial discussion regarding the matter George said he has asked the attorney representing the property owner at 624 S Main and the engineering firm Ramboll be present at the 2-4-2019 Council meeting.
2. **News & Review-Cindy Beck Warren-2019 White County Information Guide**-Cindy indicated the City did a ¼ page ad in 2018. The price for 2019 is the same as 2018. Doug Pepple made a motion to approve a full page advertisement for \$315.00 with the cost split between the Council, Mayor and Clerk Treasurer. Ralph Widmer seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.
3. **Accounts Payable Vouchers**-Phil Vogel made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. Doug Pepple seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Miscellaneous and All Other Matters-Ralph Widmer offered several supportive remarks on how well the City Departments work together. Mayor Houston expressed his gratitude for the remarks.

Adjournment-There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

James D Mann
Clerk Treasurer
City of Monticello