

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY  
DECEMBER 14, 2017  
WORK SESSION  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 201 S. UNION STREET  
9:00 A.M.

Mayor Evans called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

All members were in attendance.

Mayor Evans presented the Board with the proposed meeting schedule for 2018 with the regular meetings and work sessions. There were no conflicts brought to the attention to the Board with the schedule.

Mayor Evans presented the Board with draft 2018 Executive Goals. The Board discussed the possibility of having a consultant review the Zoning Ordinances of the City of Delphi as it has been many years since they have been updated. The Board has discussed three studies using the engineer/consulting funds in 2018: a hotel feasibility study, a residential development feasibility study, and the review of the zoning ordinance. The Board discussed some of the benefits and detriments of participating in the Carroll County Area Plan Commission and discussed the possibility of further discussing what advantages and disadvantages there would be to a city planning commission like Flora. The Board acknowledged this would require a change in ordinances which should involve discussion with the Council. The Board discussed the Unsafe Building Code, its application, and whether there are funds available to make improvements which property owners fail to do after issuance of an order from the Board of Public Works and Safety. The Board discussed 100 Tally Ho Court and its status after being purchased in tax sale, two broken windows, and other matters in which the public could assist property owners struggling with maintenance of their properties. Mayor Evans stated he had looked into the neighbor helping neighbors program operated in Frankfort and the Board discussed that it may be a good program to get started in Delphi with a community or religious organization. The Board discussed improved communication – Member Traeger provided that she would like to see improved communication on Spring Cleanup Date. The Board discussed the possibility of approaching businesses with electric signs to see if they would be willing to put up special dates for the City of Delphi on their signs. The Board also discussed the possibility of making informational banners for the entrance sign by All-Bqs as well as the desire for another entrance sign on US 421 on the southern edge of the city. The Board reiterated the need to plan and think ahead and start preparing for the future. The Board discussed the possibility of creating a 3-5 year and then a 10 year plan.

Mayor Evans presented the Board with draft 2018 Administrative Goals, including reviewing Police Department Standard Operating Procedures, Personnel Policy, developing a Capital asset management plan, revising PASER, studying available grants for City Hall, continuing discussions on future of City Hall, identifying future projects with city departments, identifying future EDIT expenditures, implementing flexible budgets within wastewater and water departments using capital expenses per year recommended by Umbaugh, adopting a sidewalk asset management plan, and developing a better method for enforcing the Unsafe Building Code.

Mayor Evans presented the Board with draft 2018 Legislative Goals including the regularly performed tasks of the Council and having special presenters come most months to give a 10 to 15 minute presentation about what is happening within their organizations. The Mayor discussed other items currently on his draft and asked for any additions that needed to be made to it.

The Board discussed being aggressive in 2018 with properties which could have residential development occur upon them. The Board also discussed getting updated graphs from Peerless-Midwest on static water levels at the wells.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Shane Evans  
Mayor Shane Evans

Dick Bradshaw  
Dick Bradshaw

Karyl Traeger  
Karyl Traeger

Leanne Aldrich  
Clerk-Treasurer Leanne Aldrich, Attest