

COMMON COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 5, 2018
6:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Mayor Shane Evans called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Carolyn Pearson, Richard Traeger, Brian Garrison, Dale Seward and Mike Shockley were present.

Minutes from the meeting held on the 1st of October were presented for approval. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Mike Shockley. Motion carried. (5-0)

Minutes from the special meeting held on the 8th of October were presented for approval. Richard Traeger made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Mike Shockley. Motion carried. (5-0)

Mayor Evans introduced our special guest, Julia Leahy of the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce. Julia handed out a flyer from 2017 with all the various data. One of the strong points was the Bacon Fest with over 8,500 visitors. The funds raised allowed the Chamber to return \$21,000 back to the community. Lots of advertising is done to promote our city and county. Some of the brochures are Festival Guide, State Travel Guide and the Purdue Guide. The Chamber maintains a part-time visitor center. Lots of questions come into their office and they supply info.

Mayor Evans introduced Director Laura Walls of the Carroll County Economic Development Corporation. Lots of effort continues to go to site lookers. Marketing our industrial park is very important. Trips have been made to Atlanta, Chicago and Indianapolis in order to present what we have to offer. Peters Development has 6 businesses within their area. They are constantly working on the building. Effort is being placed on our housing market. The City has two members on the executive committee. Carolyn Pearson noted she had asked previously and would again ask for some records of finances. The City contributes to their budget and seems it would be good to have this information. Director Walls stated they are a private-nonprofit and not required but will work with Mr. Traeger and get some information to everyone. Mrs. Walls noted that when she came here our EDIT revenue was around \$115,000 and now around \$154,000 and feels the efforts from EDC has helped with this growth of 26%.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

POLICE: Chief Mullin had submitted a written report and noted DARE graduation will be December 11th.

STREET: Aaron Lyons is on vacation.

WATER: Craig Myers stated the water fountain on the square has been shut off for the winter months. A couple water leaks had been handled.

WASTEWATER: Dick VanSickle stated the disinfection season has ended and will begin again in April of 2019.

MAYOR: Mayor Evans stated he had received an e-mail stating the awards for Community Crossing will be announced some time in November. Mayor Evans included a resolution which approves advertising for a public hearing for the same night as our December 3 meeting. The purpose will be for an additional appropriation.

AREA PLAN COMMISSION REPORT: Dale Seward stated he was out of town when this last meeting was held and it was the first meeting he had missed. Dale also reported Doug Wagner had resigned.

COMMUNITY CENTER REPORT: Mike Shockley thanked all the city workers that have helped during this building process. Mike also noted the huge contribution by Bill Rodenbarger who recently passed away. Mike had a plaque made in his memory and hopes to hang it during a grand opening ceremony. Mayor Evans stated Tippecanoe Township will be giving \$9,500 to use towards the expense of the parking lot. Carolyn Pearson stated all contributors should be recognized. Dale Seward stated a dedication ceremony is being planned. Carolyn asked about the rent for the center and stated she feels it is too high. Mayor Evans stated that will be addressed at the next BOW meeting.

Proposed Resolution 2018-23, *A Resolution Authorizing Application, Submission and Local Match Commitment*. This will be the first and final reading of this resolution for the elevator grant. The budget numbers have been updated and a refuge area had to be added that was not a requirement on the first round. Carolyn mentioned that she had seen the city contribution on this grant had risen. Mike Shockley asked if the \$27,000 and \$19,000 would be coming from the general fund and was told it would. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to pass Resolution 2018-23. Second by Mike Shockley. Motion carried. (5-0)

Proposed Resolution 2018-24, *A Resolution Authorizing Advertisement for Additional Appropriation Hearing*. Mayor Evans asked for a motion. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to pass Resolution 2018-24. Second by Richard Traeger. Motion carried. (5-0)

Council Comments and Requests:

Mike Shockley asked Chief Mullin to address parking the wrong way on Market Street. This request was made previously.

Leanne Aldrich stated even with issues on the Gateway system, all the budget requirements were entered before the deadline.

Public Comments: Deb Lowe of the Comet asked if there had been any rentals set for the Community Center. There has not been any made. Deb also noted in the Mayor's report IPC has requested additional flow for sewage. Dick VanSickle stated there is no change in strength, just flow. Deb also questioned why surveys on golf carts were sent only to registered voters and not all home owners in the city.

With no further business before the council, Dale Seward made the motion to adjourn. Second by Carolyn Pearson. Motion carried. (5-0) Meeting adjourned at 6:56 P.M.

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