

COMMON COUNCIL  
OCTOBER 7, 2019  
6:00 P.M.  
COMMUNITY CENTER

Mayor Shane Evans opened the meeting at 6:05 p.m. and asked all present to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Minutes from the meeting held the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September, 2019 were presented for approval. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Mike Shockley. Motion carried. (4-0).

Minutes from the budget hearing meeting held the 16<sup>th</sup> of September, 2019 were presented for approval. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Brian Garrison. Motion carried. (4-0).

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

POLICE: Chief Mullin provided a written report and read some of the statistics.

STREETS: Aaron Lyons provided a written report noting some concrete work and microsurfacing as well as paving of the walking path at Riley Park.

WATER: Craig Myers provided a written report. Total gallons pumped were 29,832,000 with IPC consuming 22,833,448.

WASTEWATER: Dick VanSickle provided a written report and an update on the phosphorous building at the plant.

MAYOR: Mayor Evans provided a written report and gave a synopsis of multiple documents provided in the packet. He stated the buysheet from Bowen is a living document which changes as items are updated and purchases are made. Some savings on labor or materials may be indicated in the buy sheet but all anticipated savings may not be reflected at this time. He highlighted two areas from the audit that came back. The receipt of the SRF Bond and disbursements from that fund were not in the annual financial report originally. The City of Delphi was working to correct the issue when the auditors came into the City of Delphi. Clerk-Treasurer Aldrich noted that the bond was put into the debt management section of Gateway showing the amortization. Mayor Evans noted the audit stated the City of Delphi did not verify exclusions through the System for Award Management to determine whether a vendor was suspended or debarred from participating in federal programs. Clerk-Treasurer Aldrich explained that it was regarding Ken Ross's consulting engineering firm for the airport runway extension project and that, while his company is not required to register on SAM, the State requires a print out showing that the City of Delphi looked for his company on there. Mayor Evans noted the auditors complimented Clerk-Treasurer Aldrich as they have in past years. Mayor Evans noted the letter provided to the Carroll County Redevelopment Commission asking for financial assistance on Phase II of the Water Project. He also noted the OCRA scoring sheet for the water grant application. He noted where the city lost points –

community distress level, local match, project need, national objective, and financial impact. He noted that on financial impact and project need that the low scoring does not mean there is not a need or impact but rather that the documentation or explanation requested by OCRA was not sufficient to get all the points.

APC: Dale Seward stated there had been a county rezoning at the last meeting. He stated the Council needs to bring up controversy over being able to pull into a drive and over a sidewalk. He stated the APC has asked for guidance from the City. Mayor Evans stated he would put it on the next agenda.

NWSWD: Mike Shockley stated they had a meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup>. The budget was passed as they had a quorum. He stated in the meeting they primarily discussed electronics recycling. They are having trouble with big television sets being picked up. A lot of electronics are being recycled from the schools. The next meeting is December 6.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

*Ordinance 2019-5, An Ordinance Regarding Weeds.* Carolyn Pearson moved to pass the ordinance on second reading. Seconded by Dale Seward. Motion carried. (4-0).

*Ordinance 2019-6, The 2020 Budget.* Mike Shockley stated he had revisited the budget for EDC. He is uncomfortable with how it was presented. He stated if it was a one-year contract they would go through the Board of Public Works and Safety. He stated he would like to see the budget cut in half if it were to be a one-year contract. Mayor Evans asked if he would be okay with keeping the budget the same if the Council attached a rider that required the contract to be presented as a two-year contract. He stated he would be okay with that. Carolyn Pearson stated she would like to see the contract come before the Council as well. Dale Seward stated the Council was back to where it was the previous meeting and that the city is not getting its money's worth out of the EDC. He expressed frustration that a contract hadn't been presented. Mayor Evans recommended passage of the budget and then an oral resolution requesting a two-year contract from the EDC. Brian Garrison moved to pass the 2020 budget on third and final reading. Second by Mike Shockley. Motion carried. (4-0).

*Resolution 2019-9, EDC Contract.* Carolyn Pearson moved to require the EDC contract to be a two-year contract. Second by Dale Seward. Motion carried. (4-0).

*Ordinance 2019-7, 2020 Wages.* Carolyn Pearson moved to pass the 2020 wages ordinance on third and final reading. Second by Dale Seward. Motion carried. (4-0).

*Ordinance 2019-8, 2020 Salaries.* Dale Seward moved to pass the 2020 salaries ordinance on third and final reading. Second by Mike Shockley. Motion carried. (4-0).

#### NEW BUSINESS

*Ordinance 2019-9, An Ordinance Regarding Heavy Vehicle Parking.* Mayor Evans introduced the ordinance and asked for recommendations from the Council. There was discussion from the audience regarding whether semis would be able to park along the highway so the driver could go into Blimpie's and get a snack or meal. Dale Seward stated he wasn't sure if two hours was sufficient time for ready-mix trucks to be able to be parked if they're pouring concrete. An audience member noted disdain for the provision in the proposed ordinance which prohibits running electricity to a camper/trailer which is parked on the roadway. Dale Seward stated he would like more time to review the ordinance.


*Parking Provisions.* Mayor Evans noted he had received two requests over the last month to look at parking in the city. He noted one request was regarding the parking spot on the north side of Main Street at the southwest corner of the Courthouse and that an individual said it was difficult to see if traveling southbound on Market Street at the intersection with Main. Mayor Evans stated another request was to look at the possibility of additional handicapped parking spaces in the area of Team Rehab from a client of the business. Mike Shockley noted that it is difficult to see when stopped at a crosswalk and that drivers have to pull past crosswalks to be able to see traffic on the roadways. Carolyn Pearson noted Team Rehab could bring out wheelchairs for customers. Mayor Evans noted the complaint regarding handicapped parking spaces was more about the width between vehicle in parking spaces which are not handicapped as the individual complained it is difficult to get out of the vehicle.

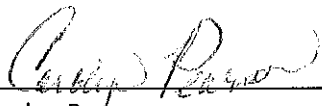
*Trolley Lease.* Mayor Evans presented an initial draft to the Council and asked that they provide any changes they would like to see by the November meeting. Dale Seward asked: whether the operator will be required to have a license on file with the city, does this prohibit the operator from filing the trolley under his personal taxes, what happens to donations – who maintains and pays for the trolley, and if cash is received, is it required to be reported as income for the city?

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Gayle Conner asked if there is a state statute that requires only city employees can operate city vehicles. Clerk-Treasurer Aldrich stated we have a volunteer roster that is permitted to operate city vehicles through our insurance company.

With no further business, Carolyn Pearson moved to adjourn. Second by Dale Seward. Motion carried. (4-0). Meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

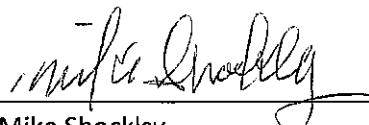
  
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