

COMMON COUNCIL  
MAY 4, 2020  
6:00 P.M.  
ELECTRONIC MEETING

Mayor Evans called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Evans explained this was an electronic meeting and a roll call vote would have to be taken on each question. He advised there is sensitive financial information regarding the Delphi SBRG and that the information should not be discussed but Council members could state whether a particular business had or had not turned in certain documentation.

Roll Call: Gayle Conner, Sandy Flora, Mike Isley, Spencer Kingery, and Cody Nelson were all present.

Others on the Call: Mayor Evans, Clerk-Treasurer Aldrich, Emily Albaugh, Debbie Lowe, Nate and Jess Lamar, Anita Werling, Julia Leahy, and Tricia Mendel.

Minutes from the meeting held on March 2, 2020 were presented for approval. Mike Isley moved for approval. Second by Spencer Kingery. Motion carried (5-0) with the following roll call votes:

Council Member	Vote
Gayle Conner	Aye
Sandy Flora	Aye
Mike Isley	Aye
Spencer Kingery	Aye
Cody Nelson	Aye

Minutes from the meeting held on April 15, 2020 were presented for approval. Spencer Kingery moved for approval. Second by Cody Nelson. Gayle Conner noted Cody Nelson's name should appear as a Council member present. Motion carried (5-0) with the following roll call votes:

Council Member	Vote
Gayle Conner	Aye
Sandy Flora	Aye
Mike Isley	Aye
Spencer Kingery	Aye
Cody Nelson	Aye

Minutes from the meeting held on April 27, 2020 were presented for approval. Sandy Flora moved for approval. Second by Gayle Conner. Motion carried (4-0) with the following roll call votes:

Council Member	Vote
Gayle Conner	Aye
Sandy Flora	Aye

Mike Isley	Aye
Spencer Kingery	Aye
Cody Nelson	Abstain

Emily Albaugh discussed information received from OCRA regarding the CDBG Grant. She stated that sole proprietors with employees are eligible to receive CDBG funds from the City. She stated sole proprietors without employees are ineligible to receive CDBG funds from the City. She stated sole proprietors with only contract employees are ineligible to receive CDBG funds from the City. She advised that applicants can be awarded at this time but should not receive funds. She stated the city needs to show 51% LMI from income verification. She stated she is waiting for approval of the income verification form from the state. She stated she did not know when checks would be able to be cut to the businesses.

Mayor Evans asked the Council how they feel about extending the application out and opening it up to businesses who did not apply. Gayle Conner noted the application states funds would be dispersed May 7. She stated only 12 of the 37 applicants provided the documentation that was requested in the application. She stated she would be fine with opening it back up for all businesses and provide an opportunity for businesses to provide the required documentation. Sandy Flora stated it is a very good decision to open it back up. She wants to get businesses funding with local funds if they really need it. Mike Isley stated he agreed with Gayle Conner and Sandy Flora – he stated if a business is struggling we need to see what we can do to get them the funds. Spencer Kingery agreed with Gayle Conner, Sandy Flora, and Mike Isley stating we should open it back up for a short period. Cody Nelson agreed we should open it back up – stated we should use local funds for sole proprietors.

Mayor Evans recommended he would call the applicants tomorrow and let the Council know how direly they needed the funding immediately and the Council could meet next week to discuss cutting checks. Gayle Conner stated she thinks if we chance the terms of the application we have to open it up. She stated she wanted to cut checks to the 12 who had provided the proper documentation. She stated she has a list of who turned in what. Sandy Flora stated she is fine with approving the 12. Mike Isley stated he wanted to help the 12 as soon as possible. Spencer Kingery Agreed. Cody Nelson stated we can go ahead and award the 12.

Mike Isley moved to award the twelve and give them all the money requested. Second by Sandy Flora. Cody Nelson moved to amend the motion to extend the period for submitting additional documentation to the end of this week – not allow new businesses to apply and provide the funding requested from each business. Mike Isley seconded the motion. Motion carried (4-1) with the following roll call votes:

Council Member	Vote
Gayle Conner	Nay
Sandy Flora	Aye
Mike Isley	Aye
Spencer Kingery	Aye
Cody Nelson	Aye

A discussion was held on when to cut the checks to the businesses. Mike Isley moved to cut checks now to the 11 businesses who provided full documentation and had 25 or fewer employees. Funding would come from the Rainy Day Fund. Second by Cody Nelson. Motion carried (5-0) with the following roll call votes:

Council Member	Vote
Gayle Conner	Aye
Sandy Flora	Aye
Mike Isley	Aye
Spencer Kingery	Aye
Cody Nelson	Aye

A discussion was held on what to do about reporting requirements for businesses who receive checks from the City. Gayle Conner moved to authorize the Mayor to develop the accountability requirements to be sent, with the checks, to the businesses awarded funds. Second by Sandy Flora. Motion carried (5-0) with the following roll call votes:

Council Member	Vote
Gayle Conner	Aye
Sandy Flora	Aye
Mike Isley	Aye
Spencer Kingery	Aye
Cody Nelson	Aye

Gayle Conner stated she will send Mayor Evans a list of what businesses turned in what documentation. Mayor Evans will notify the businesses of the Council's actions tonight.

Mayor Evans informed the Council City Hall would remain closed and the parks are closed until we can understand our ability to disinfect equipment in the parks. He stated that unless the Governor extends an executive order, meetings held after May 23 must be held in person.

Gayle Conner asked if the City was going to get fined by the APC and who would pay that fine. Mayor Evans stated that he had worked closely with the APC Director during construction to ensure construction did not violate the Delphi Zoning Ordinance as it permits underground utility work and was advised we would not be in violation if we did not do construction above ground level.

Cody Nelson stated it was a hard meeting but glad that the Council worked through it.

Clerk-Treasurer Aldrich advised unpaid water bills have increased. She will be sending out a letter to customers who owe to advise them of the payment plans available after the Public Health Emergency is no longer in affect. She stated there is an ordinance that gives a 3 month payment plan option.

Nate Lamar asked about funding for businesses who did not turn in all their paperwork – Mayor Evans stated the Council would discuss that at their next meeting.

Mayor Evans scheduled a special Council meeting at 6 p.m. on Monday, May 11, 2020 on Zoom.

Mike Isley moved to adjourn. Second by Cody Nelson. Motion carried (5-0) with the following roll call votes:

Council Member	Vote
Gayle Conner	Aye
Sandy Flora	Aye
Mike Isley	Aye
Spencer Kingery	Aye
Cody Nelson	Aye

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.



ATTEST