

CITY OF DECATUR
COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES
JANUARY 15, 2019

The City of Decatur Common Council met on Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall in Council Chambers, 172 N. 2nd Street. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ken Meyer. Roll call was taken to show Councilmen Cam Collier, Craig Coshow, Matt Dyer, and Tyler Fullenkamp, were in attendance. Also present was Clerk-Treasurer, Phyllis Whitright and City Attorney, Tim Baker. Councilman Wylie Sirk was absent.

The Mayor invited everyone to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Clerk-Treasurer had emailed the minutes from the January 2, 2019 meeting. Dyer made a motion to approve the minutes as emailed. Fullenkamp seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Clerk-Treasurer Whitright noted a Public Hearing with New Beginnings Faith Center representatives had been scheduled for tonight but a request had been received to change the Public Hearing to Tuesday, March 19, 2019. Coshow made a motion to make a matter of record that the Public Hearing with New Beginnings Faith Center representatives would be held on March 19, 2019. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

Ordinance 2019-1, an ordinance to amend the City's Purchasing Ordinance, was brought forward. The Board of Works members approved the ordinance at their meeting and recommended to Council that the bid bond requirement be reduced from 10% to 5%. It was noted a lot of statutes had to be changed in order to cover all areas. Thus, current ordinances were to be repealed and a totally new ordinance presented. The categories were: Supplies, Materials and Equipment; Services; Public Works Projects; Routine Maintenance and Repair Projects; and Professional Services: Architect, Engineer, Survey Contracts, and that the first two levels for the most part would need Department Head approval. The levels of dollar amounts are: less than \$2,500; \$2,500 to \$9,999; \$10,000 to \$49,999; \$50,000 to \$149,999; and \$150,000 and over. Ordinance 2019-1 repeals ordinances from 2013, 2014, and 2018. Coshow made a motion to place Ordinance 2019-1 on its first reading by short title only. Seconded by Dyer, the motion passed and City Attorney Baker read Ordinance 2019-1 by short title only. Coshow made a motion to pass Ordinance 2019-1 on its first reading. Seconded by Dyer, roll call vote was taken and showed 4-0 passage. Coshow then made a motion to place Ordinance 2019-1 on its second reading by short title only. Seconded by Collier, the motion passed and City Attorney Baker read Ordinance 2019-1 by short title only. Coshow made a motion to pass Ordinance 2019-1 on its second reading. Seconded by Dyer, the roll call vote was taken with 4-0 passage. Coshow made a motion to table Ordinance 2019-1 for its third and final reading until February 5, 2019. Seconded by Dyer, the motion was carried.

Ordinance 2019-2, an ordinance to adopt S-3 Supplement to include ordinances through Ordinance 2018-18 passed 8-21-2018 be placed in the City Code of Ordinances and be placed on-line, was brought forward. Coshow made a motion to place Ordinance 2019-2 on its first reading by short title only. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion passed and City Attorney Baker read Ordinance 2019-2 by short title only. Coshow made a motion to pass Ordinance 2019-2 on its first reading. Seconded by Dyer, a roll call vote was taken and showed passage by a 4-0 vote. Coshow made a motion to place Ordinance 2019-2 on its second reading by short title only. Seconded by Dyer, the motion passed and City Attorney Baker read Ordinance 2019-2 by short title only. Coshow made a motion to pass Ordinance 2019-2 on its second reading. Seconded by Dyer, roll call vote showed 4-0 passage. Coshow made a motion to suspend the rules and place Ordinance 2019-2

on its third reading by short title only. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion passed and City Attorney Baker read Ordinance 2019-2 by short title only. Coshow made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-2 on its third and final reading. Seconded by Dyer, a roll call vote was held and passed 4-0. Mayor Meyer announced that Ordinance 2019-2 has been adopted.

Melissa Norby, Community Development Director, shared that two informational meeting had been held with those interested in applying for funds from the Façade Program. Thirteen (13) people were in attendance including a couple new business owners. It was noted this is the fourth year of the 5-year program. Applications are due on Monday, February 11, 2019.

Mayor Meyer shared he had received an email from INDOT regarding 6.848 acres of land owned by the State of Indiana along US 27 north of Decatur. The City was asked if they were interested in the land. It was noted that you cannot build on this land. If the City does not respond, INDOT would likely transfer the land to the Department of Natural Resources. Collier made a motion to make it a matter of record that the City is not interested in the land. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

Collier inquired about the amount of CEDIT funds the hospital receives, and Clerk-Treasurer Whitright explained that half of the City's CEDIT distribution goes towards the hospital.

Department Head Reports:

Chief of Police Lennie Corral and Assistant Chief Mahan will be attending the mid-winter Chief's Conference next week. He also shared he will be adding three (3) reserve officers by the next meeting.

Jeremy Gilbert, Operations Manager shared that the sound system for Madison Street Plaza is nearly completed.

Don Bergdall, Civil Infrastructure Manager shared they will be demonstrating two (2) camera systems during the next couple of days.

Council Input:

Dyer inquired regarding Cottonwood Estates Mobile Home Park and learned the closing has not been held yet, but that Nic Kos and Josh Heck will keep the City updated.

Coshow made a motion to pay the claims against the City. Seconded by Collier, the motion was adopted. Fullenkamp abstaining.

There being no other business to be brought before the Council, Dyer made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion passed.

Adjournment was at 8:03 P.M.