

CITY OF DECATUR
COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES
APRIL 2, 2019

The City of Decatur Common Council met on Tuesday, April 2, 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, Tyler Fullenkamp, and Wylie Sirk were in attendance. Also present was Clerk-Treasurer, Phyllis Whitright and City Attorney, Tim Baker.

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

The Clerk-Treasurer had emailed the minutes from the March 19, 2019 meeting. Dyer made a motion to approve the minutes as emailed. Fullenkamp seconded the motion. Motion carried.

It was shared that the quotes for the wall at the northwest corner of First and Monroe Streets had been opened and the quote from Arnold Construction, Inc. of \$65,440 was accepted by the Board of Works to recommend to the Council for action. Collier made a motion to proceed with the project and the funding with the quoted cost of \$65,440 from Arnold Construction, Inc. Seconded by Sirk the motion was adopted. The project will be paid from the Plan/Building & Zoning Department's Unsafe Building account.

Next to be shared was the quotes for the new restroom building at Legion Park from Arnold Construction, Inc. at \$71,780 for a split block structure was accepted by the Board of Works and recommended to the Council for action. It was noted \$30,000 would come from the Parks & Recreation Budget and the remaining cost to be paid from the CCD fund. Dyer made a motion to approve the Board of Works recommendation of the \$71,780 quote from Arnold Construction, Inc. and also approve the funding for the new restrooms at Legion Park. Seconded by Sirk, the motion was adopted.

The Event Form for the Farmer's Market had been tabled at the March 19, 2019 meeting until April 2, 2019. Discussion centered on the location, and Mayor Meyer shared a suggested area for the Market to be held on First Street with the south entrance to the First Street Parking Lot blocked off and allowed for the south part of the lot to be used if growth of the Market justifies added space. Cars can still enter the parking lot by the north entrance along First Street. It was noted there are more Thursday Night Concerts and larger crowds find the bands need to be located further east on Madison Street Plaza. There is also a need for vendors to have access to electricity. Collier made a motion to adopt the layout of the Farmer's Market on First Street as designed by Mayor Meyer with expansion on the south end of the parking lot if needed. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted. Two representatives from the Farmer's Market were present and supported the presented layout.

An Event Form was presented by Rod Penrod for Common Ground Church's 5-K Run to be held on June 22, 2019. The event will begin at 9 A.M. and be completed by noon. Penrod commented that they will not need electricity as noted on the event form. The route of the run was defined in the Event Form. Dyer made a motion to approve the Event Form for Common Ground Church's 5-K Run on June 22, 2019. Seconded by Sirk, the motion was adopted. The Mayor recommended for Mr. Penrod to contact the Police or Street Department if any streets need to be blocked off during the event.

Department Head Input:

Police Chief, Lennie Corral noted they are taking applications for an officer until Friday, April 5, 2019 is the deadline. He shared that warnings have been given to drivers for the Turn Signal Tuesday promotion, which resulted in 15 stops during the 1st shift and 10 during the 2nd shift.

Fire Chief, Les Marckel reminded the group that the possibility of severe spring weather is around the corner. Siren test will be conducted on Saturday, April 6, 2019 throughout the County and encouraged anyone who notices a siren that cannot be heard to report such to the Fire Department.

Curt Witte, Building and Zoning Superintendent, shared that contractors are keeping the Department very busy with lots of construction going on in the City.

Don Bergdall, Civil Infrastructure Manager, reported City workers are working on sewer repairs on Jefferson Street.

Melissa Norby, Director of Community Development, shared that tips will be given every day as 30 Days of Recycling is being celebrated in Decatur. Norby also noted Decatur's Most Talented event will be held this weekend on Sunday, April 7, 2019 at Belmont High School Auditorium at 6:30 P.M.

The Clerk-Treasurer, Phyllis Whitright reported that a Public Hearing has been scheduled for the next meeting on April 16, New Beginnings Faith Center petitioned to vacate a portion of streets and alleys, which was formerly the GE parking lot.

Council Input:

Coshow shared he had talked with some of the businesses along 13th Street regarding their posting the Turn Signal Tuesday information and appreciated those who followed through.

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

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

Adjournment was at 8:23 P.M.