

CITY OF DECATUR
COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 20, 2011

The City of Decatur Common Council met on Tuesday, September 20, 2011 at 7:30 P.M. at City Hall in Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Schultz. Roll call was taken to show Councilwoman Barb Engle, Councilmen Charlie Cook, Bill Crone, Matt Dyer and Ken Meyer were in attendance. Also present was City Attorney, Tim Baker and Clerk-Treasurer, Phyllis Whitright.

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

The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Schultz. The Clerk-Treasurer had emailed the minutes from September 6th meeting. There were no corrections or amendments, so Engle made a motion to approve the minutes as emailed, Dyer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Crone made a motion to close the Council meeting for a public hearing on the 2012 budget. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Engle made a motion to make the legal notice for the public hearing on the City's 2012 budget a matter of record. Dyer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Clerk-Treasurer prepared Ordinance No. 2011-6, an Ordinance for Appropriations and Tax Rates for the City of Decatur for 2012. The estimated budget totals \$6,855,869 with total property tax levy of \$3,563,149, tax rate of \$1.2878. Mayor Schultz asked for any questions or comments. There were no questions or comments received, so Meyer motioned to Place the Ordinance on First Reading by short title only. Motion was seconded by Dyer and passed by consent.

Meyer motioned to Pass Ordinance 2011-6 on First Reading. Dyer seconded the motion. The roll call was five (5) members voting in favor and none against.

Meyer motioned to Place the Ordinance on Second Reading by short title only. Motion was seconded by Dyer and passed by consent.

Meyer motioned to Pass Ordinance 2011-6 on Second Reading. Engle seconded the motion. The roll call was five (5) members voting in favor and none against.

Meyer made a motion to Table Ordinance 2011-6 until the next Common Council meeting on October 4th, seconded by Cook. All Council Members were in favor. Motion carried.

Crone made a motion to close the Public Hearing and resume the Council meeting. Meyer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Mayor announced bids are being accepted for the City's two (2) farm leases until 4:00 p.m. on October 4th, and then will be opened at the October 4th Board of Public Works & Safety meeting at 6:00 p.m. Bid specifications and lease agreement can be viewed in the Clerk-Treasurer's office upon request.

Meyer made a motion to introduce Resolution No. 2011-7, a Resolution authorizing application submission and local match commitment. Dyer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The City Attorney read Resolution No. 2011-7, by short title only. There were no comments or questions, so Meyer made a motion to pass Resolution No. 2011-7. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-7

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION SUBMISSION AND LOCAL MATCH COMMITMENT

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DECATUR, INDIANA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A COMMUNITY FOCUS FUND APPLICATION TO THE INDIANA OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND RURAL AFFAIRS AND ADDRESSING RELATED MATTERS:

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Decatur, Indiana recognizes the need to stimulate growth and to maintain a sound economy within its corporate limits; and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, authorizes the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs to provide grants to local units of government to meet the housing and community development needs of low-and moderate-income persons; and

WHEREAS, the City of Decatur, Indiana has conducted public hearings prior to the submission of an application to the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs, said public hearings to assess the housing, public facility, and economic needs of its low and moderate-income residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Decatur, Indiana that:

1. The Mayor of Decatur is authorized to prepare and submit an application for grant funding of the City of Decatur's Former Street Department Garage Demolition Project, and to execute and administer a resultant grant including requisite general administration and project management, contracts and agreements pursuant to regulations of the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.
2. The City of Decatur, Indiana hereby commits the requisite local funds in the amount of Ninety Six Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Eight (\$96,748.00), in the form of Ninety Six Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Eight (\$96,748.00) from its Cumulative Capital Development (CCD) Funds, as matching funds for said program, such commitment to be contingent upon receipt of CFF funding from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Decatur, Indiana this 20th day of September 2011, at 7:40 P.M.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DECATUR, INDIANA

S/Barbara J. Engle
Council at Large

S/Matthew J. Dyer
1st District

S/Charles E. Cook
2nd District

S/William L. Crone
3rd District

S/Kenneth L. Meyer
4th District

ATTEST: Phyllis J. Whitright, Clerk-Treasurer

The City Attorney prepared Ordinance No. 2011-7, an ordinance amending Section 51.23 of the 2007 Decatur City Code of Ordinances. The amendment is to allow poly pipe 200 psi CTS with #12 solid copper trace wire when installing water service lines. In the past only copper pipe was allowed. Meyer motioned to Place the Ordinance on First Reading by short title only. Motion was seconded by Dyer and passed by consent.

Meyer motioned to Pass Ordinance 2011-7 on First Reading. Engle seconded the motion. The roll call was five (5) members voting in favor and none against.

Meyer motioned to Place the Ordinance on Second Reading by short title only. Motion was seconded by Cook and passed by consent.

Meyer motioned to Pass Ordinance 2011-7 on Second Reading. Engle seconded the motion. The roll call was five (5) members voting in favor and none against.

Meyer then motioned to suspend the rules and Place the Ordinance on Third Reading. Motion was seconded by Dyer and passed unanimously.

Meyer motioned to Adopt Ordinance 2011-7. Cook seconded the motion. Roll call for Adoption of Ordinance 2011-7 was Cook, Crone, Dyer, Engle, and Meyer in favor and none opposed.

City Attorney prepared Ordinance No. 2011-8, an ordinance which amends Chapter 77 of the 2007 Decatur City Code of Ordinances as amended by Ordinance No. 2010-4. The amendment removes the handicap parking space located on the east side of 7th Street at 216 N. 7th Street, which is no longer needed. Meyer motioned to Place the Ordinance on First Reading by short title only. Motion was seconded by Dyer and passed by consent.

Meyer motioned to Pass Ordinance 2011-8 on First Reading. Cook seconded the motion. The roll call was five (5) members voting in favor and none against.

Meyer motioned to Place the Ordinance on Second Reading by short title only. Motion was seconded by Engle and passed by consent.

Meyer motioned to Pass Ordinance 2011-8 on Second Reading. Engle seconded the motion. The roll call was five (5) members voting in favor and none against.

Meyer then motioned to suspend the rules and Place the Ordinance on Third Reading. Motion was seconded by Cook and passed unanimously.

Meyer motioned to Adopt Ordinance 2011-8. Dyer seconded the motion. Roll call for Adoption of Ordinance 2011-8 was Cook, Crone, Dyer, Engle, and Meyer in favor and none opposed.

Mayor Schultz announced Trick or Treat night will be Sunday, October 30th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Steve Krull, Parks & Recreation Supt. requested street closures from 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on 2nd Street from Monroe St. to Court St. and Madison Street from 1st to 3rd St. for Trunk or Treat to be held around the courthouse on Sunday, October 30th. Engle made a motion to approve the street closings. Meyer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jim Inskeep, Water Supt. reported the Water Department will be flushing hydrants for two (2) weeks beginning on Monday, September 26th.

Steve Krull, Parks & Recreation Supt. reported the Parks Department was awarded a \$30,000 tree grant from the Department of Natural Resources. Krull requested permission for the Clerk-Treasurer to setup a separate fund to administer the grant, since the City would have to pay all expenses first, then DNR would reimburse the City. Krull was not sure how long it would take for the reimbursement from DNR. Dyer made a motion to approve the request. Crone seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Street Commissioner, Jeremy Gilbert reported the GAI Consultants will be submitting the sign grant next week for INDOT to review. The City will be soliciting bids from contractors in January or February of 2012. Gilbert also reported the East Monroe Street project proposals are now posted on the INDOT website. Deadline to submit a proposal is October 5th.

Engle made a motion to allow the claims as presented. Cook seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, Dyer made a motion for adjournment. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.