

**Common Council
Regular Meeting**

Tuesday, June 12, 2018, 6:30 p.m.
City Hall, 31 S. Madison Street, Evansville, WI

MINUTES

1. **Call to order.** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bill Hurtley at 6:30 p.m.
2. **Roll Call.** Members present: Mayor Bill Hurtley, Alderpersons Jim Brooks, Rick Cole, Larry Dobbs, Ben Ladick, James Montgomery, Joy Morrison, and Erika Stuart (arrived at 7:25 p.m.). Alderperson Dianne Duggan was absent. Others present: City Administrator/Finance Director Ian Rigg, City Clerk/Treasurer Judy Walton, City Attorney Mark Kopp, Community Development Director Jason Sergeant, and Library Director Megan Kloeckner.
3. **Approval of Agenda.** Brooks made a motion, seconded by Cole to approve the agenda. Motion approved 6-0.
4. **Approval of Minutes.** Brooks made a motion, seconded by Cole to waive the reading of the minutes of May 8 and May 12, 2018 and approve as presented. Motion approved 6-0.
5. **Civility reminder.** Recognition of the commitment to civility and decorum at Council meetings.
6. **Citizen appearances.** None
7. **Reports of Committees**
 - A. **Library Board Report.** Kloeckner reported Vogel Brothers is still on schedule to finish the new construction in September, they will be taking down some walls and putting up temporary walls in July. She distributed the SLC brochures and adult reading record; the Summer Library Club is underway; walk-in craft program is this week; and next week will be the first week of staff-led programs.
 - B. **Youth Center Advisory Board Report.** Brooks asked that people get their Ducky Derby tickets early; and they are still looking for one Board member.
 - C. **Plan Commission Report**
 - (1). Cole made a motion, seconded by Montgomery to approve the final Certified Survey Map as presented to divide parcel 6-27-958.091A1 (Tax ID 222070001011) located on Lot 2 Brown School Road, into two parcels finding that the application is in the public interest and meets the objectives contained within Section 110-102(g) of city ordinances with the condition the applicant files the final CSM with Rock County Register of Deeds.

Sergeant reported there would be one building on one lot and two buildings on the other; he had them add cross parking easements, (some of the required parking for Lot 1 is actually on Lot 2); and this land division would create a mix of uses which is what is desired in this area.

Motion approved 6-0.
 - D. **Finance and Labor Relations Committee Report**

- (1). Cole made a motion, seconded by Montgomery to accept the City bills as presented in the amount of \$1,325,115.13. Motion approved 6-0 on a roll call vote.
- (2). Cole made a motion, seconded by Brooks to approve amended Employment Agreement with Jason Sergeant.

Rigg stated the position has evolved to include a larger amount of zoning enforcement, code enforcement, and supervision of the full-time building inspector position. There was a planned increase but this has been brought forward due to Sergeant receiving an offer of employment. Rigg added that the Intern position is scheduled to be eliminated and he doesn't want to lose Sergeant due to a delay in what was already planned for next year.

Dobbs stated Sergeant has done a phenomenal job, he has handled difficult situations very professionally, it would be remiss to not approve this contract, and he has an incredible amount of knowledge and experience.

Brooks added that the wage bands need to be reviewed. When this position was created it was to have a single point of contact for the business community, which we succeeded at. But the zoning administration and a robust planning role were added. He stated that although he is not a fan of throwing money at people to keep them, this was a question of value and equity and there is equity in the work that Jason has done so well.

Hurtley added that this needs to be done and there are other things that will need to be looked at as well.

Motion approved 6-0 on a roll call vote.

E. Public Safety Committee Report. Montgomery reported the speed trailer is being used throughout the city.

Rigg added that there was a substantial savings by EMS (approximately \$20,000) through the bulk purchase for the vitals monitoring equipment with the City of Janesville and that shows what some staff do by communicating with others.

F. Municipal Services Report. Brooks reported they looked at the northwest side water study and discussed the upcoming capital projects budget. There was a meeting today with Chad and WPPI talking about a range of issues coming; they are making good progress with the AMI project with fewer than 700 meters to go on the electric side. Chad is investigating a shared purchasing program through WPPI to save money on equipment and construction materials and looking at a shared meter tech service with WPPI that should be able to pay for itself by not purchasing outside contractors.

- (1). Brooks made a motion, seconded by Cole to approve Resolution 2018-16, Resolution Documenting Review and Approval of the 2017 Compliance Maintenance Annual Report.

Rigg reported the groundwater grade of C is due to having too much chloride in the system, something we are steadily working on. Brooks noted that the grade is up from a D.

Morrison asked if the fecal coliform was a problem as it was listed in the pathogen control section and Brooks answered that we did meet the

requirement. Rigg added that it's more of a capacity issue that is being addressed with the facility improvements.

Motion approved 6-0.

G. Economic Development Committee Report. Sergeant reported they welcomed their new member Jason Knott and reviewed goals and duties but there was no quorum for the meeting.

(1). Ladick made a motion, seconded by Dobbs to approve Resolution 2018-17, Changing Membership Makeup of the Evansville Tourism Commission.
Motion approved 6-0.

H. Redevelopment Authority Report. No report.

I. Parks and Recreation Board Report. Morrison reported they welcomed Gene Prudhon to the Board; discussed pool repairs, staff has been hired; and work on the Park Master Plan continues.

Rigg reported they discussed the Cheryl Mani memorial and motors for boats on the lake.

Dobbs noted the park is being well used with the swim team membership being way up again and larger crowds for the Jays.

Morrison added that they waived the fee for the Evansville Angels.

J. Historic Preservation Commission Report. Morrison reported they approved applications for 242 W Church for a fence, 217 W Main for porch reconstruction, 131 Garfield Ave for a fence and porch railing, and the scoreboard proposal. She added that the Duck House and Fireplace restoration requests have been sent to the state for approval.

Rigg added that the Duck House was approved and they successfully removed the walls.

K. Fire District Report. Montgomery reported they reviewed the audit and added that the new auditor gave a better presentation. They will be demonstrating the new rescue raft at the park, the fire fighters built a device to dry their turn out gear which saved money, and the chief is moving up the purchase of SCBA's (breathing apparatus) because they are out of date.

Rigg asked that they begin work on the capital budget and take into consideration the amount of cash they have on hand.

Dobbs added the merger is not being discussed right now.

L. Police Commission Report. No report.

M. Energy Independence Team Report. No report.

N. Board of Appeals Report. No report.

8. Unfinished Business. None.

9. Communications and Recommendations of the Administrator. Rigg asked that anyone interested in attending the League of Wisconsin Municipalities Conference in October to let him know; we have an accepted offer for the Public Works Foreman, who is currently employed by the Town of Pleasant Springs, and his anticipated start date is July 16th.

- A. Brooks made a motion, seconded by Cole to approve Resolution 2018-18, Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of up to \$3,994,925 Sewerage System Revenue Bonds, Series 2018B, and Providing for the Other Details and Covenants with Respect Thereto.

Rigg reported we did not borrow the full amount of the project cost because there was a small portion that was considered ineligible for the subsidized portion so we are spending that out of our reserves. The amount of the proposed bond would be 100% subsidized which results in a lower interest rate over the 20 year period.

Motion approved 6-0 on a roll call vote.

10. Communications and Recommendations of the Mayor

- A. Brooks made a motion, seconded by Cole to recommend to Joint Review Board the appointment of Wally Shannon as the Citizen Representative to the Joint Review Board.

Motion approved 6-0 on a roll call vote.

11. New Business. None.

12. Introduction of New Ordinances. None.

13. Meeting Reminders

- A. The next regular Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday July 10, 2018, 6:30 p.m., at City Hall.

14. Closed Session. Brooks made a motion, seconded by Cole to convene in closed session pursuant to section 19.85 (1) (e) of the Wisconsin statutes to discuss specific obligations that are due the city, which might entail discussion regarding obtaining public property or payment, where discussion in open session would negatively impact the city's competitive or bargaining position. Upon completion, Common Council will not reconvene in open session. Motion approved 6-0 on a roll call vote at 7:16 p.m.

There was no action taken in closed session and the meeting ended at 8:10 p.m.

Judy Walton, City Clerk/Treasurer