

COMMON COUNCIL

APRIL 1, 2019

6:00 P.M.

Mayor Shane Evans called the meeting to order and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Carolyn Pearson, Brian Garrison, Richard Traeger, Dale Seward and Mike Shockley were present.

Minutes from the meeting held on the 4th of March, 2019 were presented for approval. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Richard Traeger. Motion carried. (5-0).

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

POLICE: Steve Mullin reported the new SUV is in service. A written report was submitted to the council with monthly data.

STREET: Aaron Lyons submitted a written report to council members.

WATER: Craig Myers reported clean-up on the well field was completed. A written report was submitted.

MAYOR: Mayor Evans stated we did not receive Community Crossing funding. Mayor Evans will check with INDOT and determine why. Duke is installing lights on the backside of Riley Park.

AREA PLAN: Dale Seward reported an application for a car wash had been received. Area Plan is against larger setbacks for CAPOS.

COMMUNITY CENTER: Mike Shockley stated work has been completed on the center. A couple of plaques for volunteers and a collage of work is being done.

EDC: There was no report from EDC.

Mayor Evans introduced Proposed Ordinance 2019-4, An Ordinance Regarding Unsafe Buildings. We have adopted the Unsafe Building Code but after receiving a complaint about a property with broken windows, rotted fascia board and a dilapidated staircase, Mayor Evans contacted Frankfort to see how they handled these issues. Frankfort has adopted a Property Maintenance Code and it is on their website. Ordinance 2019-4 takes some language from the Frankfort Property Maintenance Code. There are two versions and Version A contains more than Version B. Version B does not include regulations regarding street numbers on the exterior of a structure, guards for basement windows, swimming pools or hot tubs and interior structures. At this time, Mayor Evans asked for discussion on Ordinance 2019-4. Richard Traeger and Brian Garrison felt this is important to health and safety of all. Carolyn Pearson stated she was uncomfortable with addressing interiors. Mike Shockley felt a special meeting and comparing A & B would be helpful. Richard Traeger noted looking at a few houses would help clarify the issues. Jeff Watson felt state E911 for house #'s. Mayor Evans offered to reach out to Frankfort for help with these issues.

Mayor Evans stated he had included some information regarding cemeteries due to being approached by members of the Mears family asking for the cemetery on 300 N to be enlarged. Mayor Evans wants

to know if there is interest in enlarging and having the City Attorney do research and contact the adjacent property owners about options. Leanne Aldrich stated the Clerk's office holds the records for this cemetery and there are just a very few single spaces that could be sold. Leanne also noted Sherry Mears had contacted the City and offered the land free if the City would take a sections and reserve it for the Mears family. Later on, the heirs offered to sell but with the condition a section was only for the Mears family. Carl Abbott had informed the council members that we are still selling the spaces for burial for \$8 and could easily be receiving \$250 per space. After a discussion, the Council asked Mayor Evans to contact John Mears.

Mayor Evans asked for comments from the Council. There were none.

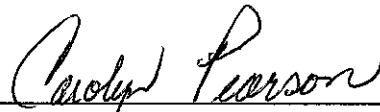
Mayor Evans asked for comments from the public. Jeff Watson stated Wolcott has a new business but could not supply water and decided to work with Reynolds on the project. Jeff stated he felt we should have done the same concept with Flora.

Gayle Conner asked if there is a time line on the income survey. No definite date was given but was sure it would be soon as this is part of the grant application.

With no further business, Carolyn Pearson made the motion to adjourn. Second by Brian Garrison. Motion carried. (5-0) Meeting adjourned at 6:35 P.M.

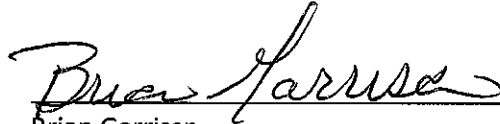


Mayor Shane Evans



Carolyn Pearson

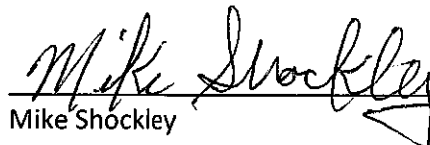
Richard Traeger



Brian Garrison



Dale Seward, President Pro Tempore



Mike Shockley

Leanne Aldrich, Attest