

COMMON COUNCIL

DECEMBER 3, 2012

7:00 P.M.

Mayor Strasser called the meeting to order and led council members and guests in the pledge of allegiance.

Roll call was given and the following were present: Carolyn Pearson, Brian Garrison, Nelson Smith, Dick Traeger. John Bennett was absent.

Minutes from the November meeting were presented for approval. Carolyn Pearson made a motion to approve the minutes with the following corrections: page 1 spelling of Pearson, page 2 spelling of handling and page 2 addition of for a short time. Second by Brian Garrison. Motion carried. (4-0)

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Corey Whitesall explained a public meeting will be held on January 8, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. for façade improvements to the historic district. Owners and renters are invited and encouraged to attend this informative meeting. It is possible that funds will be released for these projects sometime in January 2013.

The project involving the trails has been approved and waiting on INDOT. Surveys should begin by mid December.

Owner occupied is ready to move into the bidding stage for the first set of homes. This will probably take place after the first of the new year.

Opera House has received notice of a partial release of funds and this will allow work to begin on the design part of the project. Three actions are required by the council members for this project to continue and these actions are a sub recipient agreement (like with canal in the past), a memorandum of understanding and approval of the finances (bridge loan). OCRA has committed 1 million, IHEDA has committed 1.5 million and the bridge loan would be for 1.5 million at the most and would be guaranteed by the City of Delphi. The money from the loan would go to DPS with the City of Delphi doing the contracts. Mrs. Diener has worked on the memorandum of understanding and put into resolution form and added KIRPCE as grant administrator. A provision in the memorandum of understanding has ending period for warranty on construction. The resolution goes above and beyond what state requires. Nelson Smith questioned how the DPS stands on raising the funds to cover the bridge loan. Anita Weirling explained DPS has received \$200,000 challenge grant from Wisconsin and DPS must raise \$400,000 to match the grant. \$100,000 will come from stellar funds to go along with the \$100,000 DPS has raised. Applications have been made for \$700,000 worth of grants with the realization they will not be approved for the total applied for. Funds are being raised through corporate sponsors as well as private donations.

Sub recipient Agreement: This is a requirement of OCRA and states the city will receive the funds and the money goes to DPS. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to approve the agreement. Second by Dick Traeger. Motion carried. (4-0)

Resolution 2012-10: Establishes the rules and regulations for The City of Delphi and DPS throughout the projects. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to approve 2012-10. Second by Brian Garrison. Motion carried. (4-0)

Bridge Loan: Dick Traeger made the motion for The City of Delphi to be guarantor of the bridge loan for DPS. Second by Nelson Smith. Motion carried. (4-0)

Anita Weirling noted the board for DPS will be meeting this Friday and will sign the resolution. Corey Whitesall noted all the planning will now move on to the design elements.

ADA: Mayor Strasser informed the council members the approval to contract with VS Engineering was approved by the BOW. The contract has a limit of \$10,000 for services by VS. Mayor Strasser does not think the full amount will be needed. VS will file the reports needed by the State of Indiana in order to keep us in compliance. This will ensure we will be eligible for grant funds.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 2012-11 Declaratory, Economic Development Plan of the Redevelopment Commission and Approving the Order of the Carroll County Area Plan Commission. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to approve Resolution 2012-11. Second by Nelson Smith. Motion carried. (4-0)

#### Policy Updates:

Ordinance 2012-10 Wage and Salary Ordinance. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to approve the wage and salary ordinance effective January 1, 2013 on first reading. Second by Nelson Smith. Motion carried (4-0) Carolyn Pearson made the motion to suspend the rules and move to second reading.

Second by Nelson Smith. Motion carried. (4-0) Carolyn Pearson made the motion to pass Ordinance 2012-10 on second reading. Second by Nelson Smith. Motion carried. (4-0)

Ordinance 2012-11 Drug and Alcohol Policy for city employees establishes rules and regulations making it a safe environment to work as well as maintaining public confidence in the city. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to pass Ordinance 2012-11 on first reading. Second by Brian Garrison. Motion carried. (4-0) Second reading will be handled in January 2013 meeting.

Ordinance 2012-12 Fair Housing. This ordinance established a policy statement with definitions; exemptions and enforcement policy will make the City of Delphi compliant with the Civil Rights Act of 1968 and amended in 1974. Brian Garrison made the motion to approve Ordinance 2012-12 on first reading. Second by Nelson Smith. Motion carried. (4-0) Second reading will be during the January meeting in 2013.

#### DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Clerk Treasurer-Leanne proposed the council members consider and look into the possibility of recording the meeting held by the Council. Some cities have implemented this recording process with minutes only reflecting the agenda and motions made and passed. The recording is downloaded and stored on the computer. Brian Garrison noted this process works well with Tippecanoe County.

Wastewater-Dick VanSickle reported carbon source is out of tanks in the barn. The new lift station is almost completed with a walk through scheduled for next week. Next Monday Peerless is coming in to lower well #1 and #4 and this should be done within a one week time frame.

Street- Aaron Lyons reported the leaves are finally done. Aaron requested to encumber money from 2012 budget for curb and sidewalks, asphalt and money for a resurfacing project at the park. Carolyn

Pearson made the motion to approve the requested encumbrances for street and park department.  
Second by Brian Garrison. Motion carried. (4-0)

Police-John Chapman reported there had been a few accidents when the new light was installed at the school intersection. There have been problems with the police radios and currently the county is moving the antennas and that should solve the problems.

Airport-Brian Stirm was not present for the meeting.

Area Plan-John Bennett was not present for the meeting.

Fire - Darrell Sterrett was not present but Jim Bishop reported the fire department has been very busy.

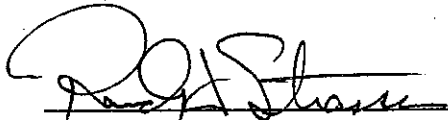
Community Development-Kevin Kologinsky reported the land issues have been resolved and the project will move forward on the Floodgates. Interurban Trail is involved with negotiations of planting trees.

Safe Routes will have hand outs as well as the training of crossing guards will be handled soon.

Freedom Bridge will seek bids in February per INDOT. The bridge needs to be done so it does not hold up HHH.

Mayor- Mayor Strasser explained Umbaugh is part of a comprehensive financial plan and will meet quarterly with appointed committee members Dick Traeger , Nelson Smith, Leanne Aldrich and Mayor Strasser.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

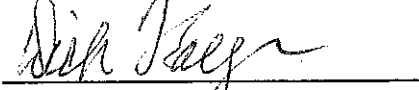


Mayor Randy Strasser



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