

COMMON COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 6, 2016
7:00 P.M.

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

Roll call was given and the following members were present: Carolyn Pearson, Brian Garrison, Richard Traeger, Mike Shockley and Dale Seward.

Minutes from the meeting held on August 1, 2016 was presented for approval. Brian Garrison made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Carolyn Pearson. Motion carried. (5-0)

Written reports from the department heads were distributed and Mayor Evans asked for questions on any department.

Leanne Aldrich, Clerk Treasurer distributed grant status reports to the council members. Leanne noted the bottom line figures will change as reimbursements come in. No reimbursements had been requested since the end of May of 2015. Leanne stated the reports and daily work on the grants was due to the efforts of Beth Canen, part time employee. The tracking of the grants is a hard undertaking and could not be done without Beth's help.

Brian Garrison reported the funding for a full time deputy for the Area Plan office was denied by County Council. The full time deputy is needed so Mr. Wagner can do field work. The area plan board is starting over on the county ordinances.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. Vacation of Easement for Road and Alley in Lot West of CVS. Dollar General plans to build a larger store with a cement lot for parking. Makenzie Martin, city attorney stated even if council approves this easement, it will still need to go through Area Plan. The Kerlin family is in agreement with this easement. Mrs. Martin has signed the copy from Kerlin family and has published the desire to vacate.

Dale Seward made the motion to pass Ordinance 2016-15 for easement of road and alley in lot west of CVS. Second by Richard Traeger. Motion carried. (5-0) Dale Seward made the motion to suspend the rules of procedure and pass Ordinance 2016-15 on second reading. Second by Brian Garrison. Motion carried. (5-0)

Carolyn Pearson made the motion to pass Ordinance 2016-15 on second reading. Second by Richard Traeger. Motion carried. (5-0) Dale Seward made the motion to suspend the rules of procedure and pass Ordinance 2016-15 on third reading. Second by Mike Shockley. Motion carried. (5-0) Dale Seward made the motion to pass Ordinance 2016-15 on third reading. Second by Carolyn Pearson. Motion carried. (5-0)

b. 210 North Washington will be addressed next month.

c. Second Reading of Ordinance 2016-7 amending 31.02 Park Board. Brian Garrison made the motion to pass Ordinance 2016-7 on second reading. Second by Richard Traeger. Motion Carried. (5-0)

d. Building Regulations Chapter 150. The determination from the group meeting for building regulations that had three meetings was that Richard Traeger reported the group agreed existing buildings would see gradual enforcement. The State would be involved with commercial enforcement. There will be a need for a part time code enforcer for public residents. Jeff Watson had been a part of this group study and voiced he is against the code enforcement and stated the group had never voted. Richard Traeger offered to table the issue and have another meeting. Dale Seward feels people don't want or need more governmental controls. Brian Garrison stated we are out of date with issues if we don't approve. If someone buys or invests in our community, they need to have security of property value. The only way to protect our future is to regulate. Mayor Evans noted we have recommendations from the group and asked how the council wanted to proceed.

Dale Seward made the motion to repeal Chapter 150. Second by Mike Shockley. 3 Aye: Dale Seward, Mike Shockley, Carolyn Pearson. 2 Nay: Brian Garrison, Richard Traeger. Councilman Garrison strongly objected to the vote.

e. Noise and Fireworks Regulations. Mayor Evans stated he had talked with Frankfort and they follow state codes. Mayor Evans asked for discussion of the council. With no comments offered, Mayor Evans determined our ordinance must be sufficient and therefore it will stay as in on books.

f. Mayor Evans apologized for not submitting for grant for community building. It is planned to proceed with the building with community assistance. Dale Seward reported a contractor had offered to do either the plumbing or electrical for the building. This offer includes material and labor. Jake Adams would like to head the committee for planning the building. He would like for Brenda Dailey, 2 council members and one contractor to serve on the committee. Phase I would be for planning the shell of the building. The committee will report back at the next council meeting. Dale Seward and Mike Shockley volunteered to serve on the committee. Dale Seward made a motion to form a committee of 5 to serve on the committee for the building. This would include Jake Adams, Brenda Dailey, Dale Seward, Mike Shockley and one contractor. Second by Mike Shockley. Motion carried. (5-0)

g. Parking on Market Street, West Side. There were signs but removed when stellar began working in the area. The ordinance of 2012 showed this area to be 2-hour parking other than the Office Tavern. Dale Seward made the motion to table until the next meeting to do research. Second by Carolyn Pearson. Motion carried. (5-0).

h. Revising School Officer Contract. Previously, in the August 2016 meeting, the council had approved the SRO position and contract with the Delphi School Corporation. The position and funds from the grant has changed. A part time position must be advertised. Chief Steve Mullin stated it is up to us to train and supply for the position. Brian Garrison felt like if there were issues at the other school locations, our police would be at the school before the SRO. Carolyn Pearson stated she had not felt the position had worked out in the past. Mike Shockley made the motion to repeal our contract with Delphi School for a SRO officer. Second by Dale Seward. Motion carried. (5-0)

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Union and Main. A decision needs to be made if we want a 4 way, 3 way or nothing on the corner of Main and Union Street. A discussion determined the need for the traffic arrow at the stop light or a delay in eastbound traffic. A call needs to be made to INDOT to see if this can be accomplished. This information is needed in order to make a decision on Main and Union. Richard


Traeger made the motion to table this issue until INDOT has been contacted. Second by Dale Seward. Motion carried. (5-0)

b. Semi Traffic on East Main. We have the frost law in effect. Carolyn Pearson doesn't think restricting semi traffic completely is reasonable. Aaron Lyons, street superintendent, stated the quality of life is important. Curbs are being ruined. Rendering trucks pass through our city 3 to 5 times a day. The smell is horrible. Deb Lowe stated trucks are bypassing Main Street light and coming down Front Street to get on Washington St. Mayor Evans said weight limits need to be in place and we could make exceptions for local deliveries. Dale Seward made the motion to table this issue for further thinking on the possible solutions. Second by Richard Traeger. Motion carried. (5-0)

c. Trick or Treat. October 31st falls on Monday night and Mayor Evans asked for council's thoughts of what night to designate for trick or treat. Suggestions were made but no agreement reached. It was decided to table until the next meeting

Mayor Evans thanked the Delphi Chamber and the Carroll County Chamber for their support and working with the city.

Dale Seward made the motion to adjourn. Second by Brian Garrison. Motion carried. (5-0)




Mayor Shane Evans



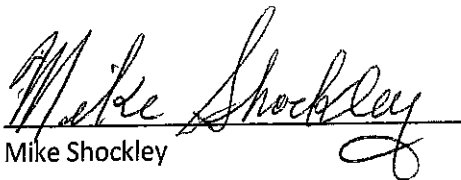
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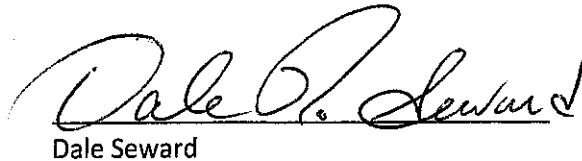
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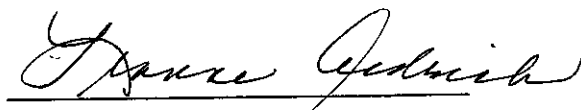
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Mike Shockley



Dale Seward



Leanne Aldrich, Attest