

COMMON COUNCIL  
FEBRUARY 5, 2018  
7:00 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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

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

Jason Hart, Airport Manager, gave an annual report of the Delphi Municipal Airport. Jason reported 1,000 visitors were at the fly-in this year along with thirty planes. Jason noted the Airport would like to inspire the next generation of aviators. Jason discussed the ongoing runway expansion to 4,000 feet. Jason showed the Council a photograph of the new website for the airport. He stated another fly-in would be held on August 4, 2018. He reminded the Council of the passing of Jim Hodge. Jim served as a board member and was deeply involved with the airport.

Minutes from the meeting held on January 2, 2018 were presented for approval. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Mike Shockley. Motion carried.

(3-0)

**Department Head Reports:**

Chief Mullin provided a written report for statistics from 2017 and January of 2018. Dale Seward questioned how many tickets were issued in January of 2018. Chief Mullin stated that some of that information may have been inaccurately filed under the county and he would get that info to him. Mike Shockley questioned the average miles driven per month by the police department. Chief Mullin noted it was nearly 5,000 miles per month in 2017.

Aaron Lyons stated lights were installed in Riley and City Parks. Aaron stated the air release valve for the pump station had been ordered and it will be warranted by BF&S. Mike Shockley asked about the bid tabulation from the January 15, 2018 BOW meeting. Mayor Evans reported they were bid results for the Owner Occupied grant. Mayor Evans stated there are currently 5 homes in the program and he hopes for three to five more participants. Mike Shockley asked why the grant for trail security was only \$48,695. Mayor Evans stated that is the amount received from IHEDA and there are funds received on top of this from crowdfunding. Dale Seward told Aaron the pot holes look better.

Craig Myers went over the pumping data from January. He reported on the progress of well #3. Craig reported there were seven water leaks in January and service lines were replaced. Craig noted there are "No Trespass" and "No Spray Signs" placed at well #6.

Dick Vansickle informed the Council a new sliding gate had been installed at the plant. Dick noted he had filed his annual report to IDEM.

Mayor Evans had submitted a written report to the council members. He noted he had a meeting with Peerless and US Ag this AM on drilling new well #7. US ag stated their 5-year plan does not indicate they will be going deeper. Right now, they are at 200 feet. Dale Seward questioned why we aren't in the loop with Peerless, US Ag, Economic Development and Redevelopment. Mayor Evans stated the Council received a memorandum a week before the council meeting and that was only days after notifying those other bodies. Mayor Evans further stated, at this time we don't know the dollar amount and won't know till later.

Carolyn Pearson questioned the maintenance of the cameras for the trail security. Mayor Evans explained he has discussed with the Trail Taskforce the possibility of using some of the grant funds toward a Rotary Fund for security maintenance. Carolyn also questioned about insurance as they could be vandalized or stolen.

Mike Shockley stated painting has been completed at the Community Center and a special thanks to Dale Seward. Lights are installed on the outside of the building. Trim work will begin this week and volunteers will be setting the cabinets. Both Carolyn Pearson and Dale Seward noted the hard work Mike Shockley had contributed to the building.

Dale Seward informed the council a man came to the APC January meeting wanting to build a convenience store on US 421 and his building would rest within the Hoosier Heartland Overlay District. Dale Seward informed the council he made the motion to approve the construction of that store. Dale noted the BZA granted a variance for a veterinary clinic by the old Brosman's IGA. Dale noted Doug Wagner had stated he is working to incorporate the City's zoning ordinances into the County zoning ordinance. Dale questioned the Mayor if he had information regarding this process. Mayor Evans stated he had spoken to Doug and the goal would be to combine all zoning ordinances of municipalities within the APC to fall under one zoning ordinance which allowed exemptions for each municipality to retain their autonomy.

**Special Business:**

Mayor Evans announced council liaisons pursuant to Resolution 20918-1. Carolyn Pearson will be the liaison to the Water Department and Office of the Mayor. Brian Garrison will be the liaison to the Street and Park Department and the Office of the Clerk-Treasurer. Dale Seward will be the liaison to the Wastewater Department and the Fire Territory. Mike Shockley will be the liaison to the Community Development Department. Dick Traeger will be the liaison to the Police Department and Department of Aviation.

Mr. Norman Hunt appeared and requested the council amend the Delphi Code to allow usage of off-road vehicles on city streets. Mr. Hunt distributed a copy of Attica's ordinance and a photograph of an off-road vehicle. He noted his nineteen-year-old step-son has Asperger's Syndrome and works at Walmann's and commutes with a road legal moped. His desire is for his step-son to be more independent and travel in a safer vehicle. Carolyn Pearson stated the council needs to look into this and see if it could work for Delphi. Carolyn stated a golf cart ordinance was voted down but the council would look at this. Dale Seward stated there are restrictions with Section II of Attica's ordinance that makes him more comfortable. Dale Seward noted once this door is opened, there is a possibility of

more people using them on city streets. Carolyn Pearson asked Chief Mullin for his opinion on this issue. Chief Mullin he would like for the council to consider safety above everything else presented. City Attorney Martin stated the ordinance from Attica is a good example and could be tailored for Delphi. Dale Seward moved to table for further research. Second by Carolyn Pearson. Motion carried. (3-0)

***Proposed Ordinance 2018-20, An Ordinance Permitting Vacation Rentals by Owners within U-1 and U-2 Zones within the City of Delphi.*** Carolyn Pearson made the motion to pass this ordinance on third and final reading. Dale Seward stated he would like to see it tabled because there is state legislation regarding the subject and the Sheriff had contacted him with some concerns. Dale would like to look at an ordinance from Carmel. Carolyn Pearson withdrew her motion for passage. Dale Seward moved to table the proposed ordinance. Second by Mike Shockley. Motion carried. (3-0)

***Proposed Resolution 2018-13, A resolution Memorializing Abigail Williams and Liberty German.***

Mayor Evans read the resolution in its entirety. Dale Seward made the motion to pass this resolution on first and final reading. Second by Carolyn Pearson. Motion carried. (3-0)

**Miscellaneous Business:**

***Proposed Resolution 2018-4 regarding Rules of Procedure.*** Mayor Evans asked the Council if they had completed their questionnaires. Carolyn Pearson stated it felt like busy work but she had completed hers. Dale Seward asked if their meetings were currently governed by Robert's Rules of Order. Mayor Evans stated there was nothing within our ordinances or resolutions which stated Robert's Rule was in place. Carolyn Pearson stated the book was 700+ pages and not very helpful. Mayor Evans stated he would collect the questionnaires and would tally them up and use them to draft rules of procedure for the council.

***Sidewalk Ratings for the Sidewalk Asset Management Plan:***

Carolyn Pearson stated she will try to have it done soon. Dale Seward noted he does not have it done.

***Tablets:***

Mayor Evans provided the council with a quote of roughly \$197 for a Samsung tablet with wi-fi. Dale Seward asked if this came with a keyboard. Dale noted he would like training for the statutory requirements of what must be retained. Carolyn Pearson stated she would need training on the tablet. She also stated input from all the council would be best.

***City Property:***

Council members discussed six parcels of land and how the city acquired them. Mike Shockley moved for a public hearing at the next council meeting regarding the disposition of property. Second by Dale Seward. Motion carried. (3-0)

***Water and Sewer Utilities:***

Mayor Evans stated the council had received as a memorandum regarding the water and sewer expansion project and noted the topic had been discussed in depth at the BOW meeting. He noted Craig Myers and the Mayor had met with Peerless and US Ag that morning to understand the quarry's future

plans and opportunities to develop the current aquifer. Dick VanSickle stated most of his needs are in equipment upgrades.

*1782 Notice:*

Leanne Aldrich explained the budget approved by DLGF was the budget of the city council. When there is a budget veto the lessor of prior year certified appropriation, advertised current year budget, or attempted current year budget is approved. For all line items covered under the line item veto the attempted current year budget is the lowest, as such the budgets signed by City Council is what is approved for the 2018 budget.

*State of the City Address:*

Mayor Evans asked the council for dates they would be available for the State of the City Address. The council members presented stated they are available on March 8. Mayor Evans stated he would check with the two councilors not present and make sure this would work.

*Council Member Comments:*

None

*Clerk-Treasurer Comments:*


Leanne stated in addition to the regular duties needed to be carried out in her office, W-2's, 1099M, 1099R's were completed early for employees. The 100R had been filed in Gateway. Ten checking accounts since August had been balanced with the fund reports. Any council member as well as the liaison is welcome to observe her office at work.

*Public Comments:*

Sharon Milburn asked about the truck next to the Canal Park and Mayor Evans stated it had been removed.

Carolyn Pearson made the motion to adjourn. Second by Mike Shockley. Motion carried. (3-0)  
Meeting adjourned at 8:27 P.M.

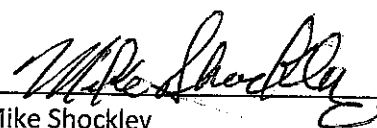
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