

October 9, 2018

The Common Council Met with Mayor William McKean for a regular meeting on Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall according to the posted notice. Councilmen Gregg Sprunger, Curtis Wurster, Mark Wynn and Philip Provost were present, along with City Attorney Dave Baumgartner and Clerk-Treasurer Gwen Maller. Councilman Ron Dull was absent.

Councilman Gregg Sprunger opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance and Mayor McKean gave the invocation.

### **Minutes**

On a motion by Gregg Sprunger and a second by Phil Provost, the minutes of the September 24, 2018 meeting were unanimously approved.

### **Claims**

On a motion by Mark Wynn and a second by Curtis Wurster, the claims were unanimously approved for payment.

### **Pre-Adoption Public Hearing for the 2019 Budget**

The regular Council meeting was recessed for the public hearing as advertised in Gateway.

A pre-adoption public hearing for the 2019 budget was held at 7:45 p.m. The total of all funds for the budget is \$ 3,152,950. The final adoption of the 2019 budget will be on October 22, 2018, after which it will be uploaded to the Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF) through the Gateway site within two (2) days after adoption. No objections from the general public were raised.

The public hearing was closed, and the regular council meeting was reconvened.

### **BZA Hearing Update**

Shannon Smitley reported that Board of Zoning and Appeals had two public hearings at 6:30 p.m. tonight. The first hearing was a contingent use request filed by Open Book Ministries for the purpose of having a church at the former Yager Furniture Warehouse building located in the alley behind Yager Furniture at 117 W Main Street, Berne Indiana. The contingent use variance was granted.

The second hearing was filed by Mills Leasing Group (Kirk and Brady Johnson) 1080 W 500 S. Berne, Indiana. They were asking for a variance for the purpose of adding a wash bay on the east side of their current building for their milk hauling business. The wash bay will be closer to the setback than the ordinance allows. The Board also granted this variance request.

### **Attorney Comments**

Attorney Baumgartner reported that he sent out the easement paperwork to be signed for the water line loop from Dearborn Street to Rose Lane.

Dave stated that before the easement paperwork can be signed for the water line loop from Berne Street to Main Street, Ben Adams, Commonwealth Engineering, needs to complete the survey work.

Dave also informed that Council that bids for the annual supplies such as fuel, street repairs and sidewalks were completed and will be sent out with bid opening set for December 10, 2018.

### **Mayor Comments**

Mayor McKean reported that the cameras on the east side of the City garage are now operational. Officer Jim Newbold and Koorsen Fire and Security are working closely together to fine tune the system to get the information that is needed to accurately monitor that area where there are city dumpsters.

Mayor McKean also reported that the leaf pickup route is in full swing and going well.

There being no other business to come before the Council and upon a motion duly made to adjourn by Phil Provost and seconded by Curtis Wurster, adjournment followed.

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William F. McKean, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Gwen Maller, Clerk-Treasurer