

November 13, 2017

The Common Council met with Mayor William McKean for a regular meeting on Monday, November 14, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall according to the posted notice. Councilmen Gregg Sprunger, Curtis Wurster, Ron Dull, Mark Wynn and Philip Provost were present, along with Attorney Dave Baumgartner and Katie Armenta attending for clerk-treasurer Gwen Maller.

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

### **Minutes**

On a motion by Philip Provost and a second by Ron Dull, the minutes of the October 23, 2017 meeting were unanimously approved.

### **Claims**

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

### **Adams County Economic Development Update**

Adams County Economic Director Trevor Hobbs came before council to introduce Mr. James Teeple, who has been hired as Program Director for Workforce Development in Adams County. The position is funded by a partnership with Adams County Connect to Careers. His responsibilities will include streamlining work place development skills, which is funded in part by a \$250,000 grant for Adams/Wells counties. The grant will enable him to hold seminars, training sessions, and host meetings dealing with industrial maintenance, welding and supervisory leadership in Adams County.

Mr. Hobbs then presented council with a recent study on housing and growth potential in Adams County conducted on behalf of the ACEDC. The study showed that since 2006, Adams County has shown a .08 percent yearly decline in the non-Amish population. The housing study showed a lack of homes available for purchase. Attorney Dave Baumgartner commented that potential home buyers who come to his office for Title work say they are in the market for housing in the \$100,000-\$180,000 range. Dave added that available houses in that range are very difficult to find, often times selling before they get put on the market.

**Attorney Comments** None

**Clerk Treasurer Comments** None

**Council Comments** None

### **Mayor Comments**

Mayor reported to council that in speaking Gary Nussbaum, Street Superintendent, the new leaf route schedule, that was changed 2 years ago is working much better.

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

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William F. McKean, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Gwen Maller, Clerk-Treasurer