

December 11, 2017

The Common Council met with Mayor William McKean for a regular meeting on Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 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 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 Ron Dull and a second by Gregg Sprunger, the minutes of the November 27, 2017 meeting were unanimously approved.

**Claims**

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

**Reconsideration of Ordinance 691:** An Ordinance Creating the Motor Vehicle Highway Fund- Allocated and Renaming the Current Motor Vehicle Highway Fund of The City of Berne, Indiana.

Dave Baumgartner reported that when Clerk Treasurer Gwen Maller brought this ordinance to the council, it was with the possibility it may have to be rescinded because the State Board of Accounts might not approve the ordinance. Berne, like other communities in Indiana were being proactive with the passage, but the State Board of Accounts has now decided that they do not want the fund set up in this manner. Mark Wynn made a motion to retract Ordinance 691, Curtis Wurster made the second and the motion was unanimously approved.

**Annual Bids**

Board of Public Works and Safety met in a public meeting prior to the council meeting to open annual bids for asphalt, stone, concrete and fuel. Wayne Asphalt and Brooks Construction were the only bids for asphalt with Brooks Construction being the lower bid. Stone was bid by US Aggregates, concrete was bid by Liter Concrete, and fuel was bid by Harvest Land Co-op. The Board of Public Works and Safety accepted all low bids.

**Attorney Comments**

Dave reported he has been working with the Mayor, Kurt Dailey, and Shannon Smitley to update the Nuisance Ordinance. A draft copy was also emailed to council for their comments. The ordinance will be on the December 20<sup>th</sup> Board of Works agenda for a detailed review. The ordinance will then go to council at their first meeting in January for their review and Dave said he would like to have the council consider adopting the ordinance at the last meeting in January.

Additionally, Dave reported that Smith Brothers of Berne's TIF Bond Closing is scheduled for Tuesday, December 12, 2017.

**Clerk Treasurer Comments**

Katie Armenta reported for Clerk-Treasurer Gwen Maller that there are certain claims due and payable for which the appropriations have been depleted. There are funds available to transfer. Katie requested a motion to pass a resolution to transfer and encumber funds as needed for the end of the year. On a motion by Mark Wynn and a second by Phil Provost, the following resolution was unanimously passed.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Clerk-Treasurer is directed to transfer the following funds according to IC 6-1.1-18-6:

CC	Insurance	TO	Operating Supplies	12,000.00
CC	Repair & Main	TO	Equipment	1,000.00

Police	Transportation	TO	Operating Supplies	8,000.00
Police	Salary-Temp	TO	Clothing Allowance	1,000.00
Fire	Repair & Main	TO	Insurance	2,200.00
Fire	Training	TO	Operating Supplies	1,000.00
Fire	Utilities	TO	Operating Supplies	5,000.00
Plan	Communication	TO	Printing	300.00
Park	Utilities	TO	Repair & Maintenance	1,000.00
Park	Operating Supply	TO	Communication	125.00
Park	Salary-Temp	TO	Pool Equipment	11,000.00
Park	Cont. Services	TO	Pool Equipment	4,000.00
Sanitation	Salary-Temp	TO	Salaries-Regular	100.00
Sanitation	Transportation	TO	Operating Supplies	2,600.00
Street	Operating Supply	TO	Equipment	9,000.00
Street	Salary-Temp	TO	Salaries-Regular	3,000.00

and encumber the following funds:

L & L Electric	Fire Repair & Main	4,866.00
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**Mayor Comments**

Mayor McKean reported this has been a good year overall. Next meeting will be January 8, 2018. He wished everyone and their families a Merry Christmas and that the McKean's will have their open house in January for elected officials and city employees. Mayor McKean thanked everyone for their concern and prayers this past week when he needed emergency gall bladder surgery while with family in Las Vegas Wednesday, December 6th. Mayor McKean said that he was in good hands in Las Vegas and the flight to Indy and drive home on Friday went well, and he and his wife Linda are so thankful.

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

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William F. McKean, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Gwen Maller, Clerk-Treasurer