November 15, 2021

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Angola, Indiana was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, 210 North Public Square with Mayor Richard M. Hickman presiding. Council Members Gary L. Crum, David A. Olson, Kathleen G. Armstrong, and David B. Martin answered roll call. Council Member Jerold D. McDermid was absent. Clerk-Treasurer Ryan P. Herbert recorded the minutes.

Among those present were City Attorney Kim Shoup, Chief of Police Ken Whitmire, Human Resources Administrator Sue Essman, City Engineer Amanda Cope, Fire Chief T.R. Hagerty, and Accounts Payable Clerk Stephanie Dean.

Also, among those present was Hailee Lepley of *The Herald Republican*, Jennifer Sharkey, and John Longenecker.

REMARKS BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Hickman congratulated The Angola High School Band for their sixth place finish at the state competition.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Council Member Olson moved to approve the November 1, 2021 minutes. Council Member Crum seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Minutes of the October 4, 2021 Board of Public Works and Safety Meeting were presented for Council information.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Hickman declared open the public hearing regarding the proposed appropriation reduction and addition to the General Fund at 7:01 p.m. There being no public comment the hearing was closed at 7:02 p.m. Ordinance No. 1686-2021, APPROPRIATION REDUCTION AND ADDITION ORDINANCE FOR THE GENERAL FUND, was read by title and present to Council on second reading. Council Member Martin moved to approve. Council Member Olson seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0. Ordinance No. 1686-2021, APPROPRIATION REDUCTION AND ADDITION ORDINANCE FOR THE GENERAL FUND, was then read by title and present to Council on third and final reading. Council Member Martin moved to approve. Council Member Crum seconded the motion. The motion to approve on third and final reading carried 4-0.

Mayor Hickman opened discussion on the request for approval of the 2022 Fire Protection agreement with the Town of Fremont for a portion of Jamestown Township in the amount of \$60,000 which was tabled at the November 1, 2021 meeting. Council Member Martin reported that he and Mayor Hickman had met with the Fremont Fire Chief and elected

officials to discuss the reduction in the amount of the contract. Fremont came up with the amount by using a formula based on the number of runs provided by each department. Member Martin explained that the problem is more with Jamestown Township's unwillingness to increase the contract with Fremont who is struggling financially to provide the level of service needed. Martin said he has proposed that Fremont reach out to Jamestown Township to negotiate the amount they are paying them through their contract. Discussion followed. Member Martin then moved to once again table the matter to allow more time to resolve the issue of the amount of the contract. Council Member Crum seconded the motion. The motion to table carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution No. 2021-813, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ANGOLA FOR THE GENERAL FUND AND FORWARDED TO THE COMMON COUNCIL FOR THEIR ACTION AND PASSAGE PURSUANT TO IC 6-1.1-18.6, was read by title and presented to Council for approval. Council Member Olson moved to approve. Council Member Crum seconded the motion. The motion to approve carried 4-0.

Clerk-Treasurer's Depository Statement and Cash Reconcilement for the month ending November 2021was presented for Council information.

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS

Council Member Olson moved to approve the Allowance of Accounts Payable Vouchers 54317 through 54520 totaling \$886,700.57. Council Member Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Martin moved to approve the Letter of support to Steuben County Trails, Inc. for the Next Level Trails Grant Application- Poka-Bache Trail Corridor in the amount of \$290,000. Council Member Crum seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was considered adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Richard M. Hickman, Mayor

Presiding Officer

Attest:

Ryan P. Herbert, Clerk-Treasurer