

**AUGUST 5, 2019**

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. Councilmembers Gary L. Crum, David A. Olson, Kathleen G. Armstrong, and Joseph M. Hysong answered roll call. Councilmember David B. Martin was absent. Deputy Clerk Tammy Onofrietti recorded the minutes.

Present were Chief of Police Stu Hamblen, City Attorney Kim Shoup, City Engineer Amanda Cope, Wastewater Superintendent Craig Williams, and Park Superintendent Matt Hanna.

Also present were Ashlee Hoos of *The Herald Republican*, Chuck McDowell, Flynn Catey, and Shannon Thomas.

#### REMARKS BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Hickman expressed sorrow for El Paso, Texas and Dayton, Ohio for what they are going through with the aftermath of the weekend shootings. Mayor Hickman then asked for a moment of silence.

Mayor Hickman asked that you keep Councilmember Martin and family in mind as they deal with the failing health of their mother.

Mayor Hickman reported over forty vendors turned out for the Arts Festival on Saturday. The Alley of the Arts opened on Thursday. Other downtown store owners are wanting to do the same for their alleyways. The Mayor's Arts Council was created just over a year ago and they are already on their third project. Thank you to Downtown Services Coordinator Maria Davis and Downtown Angola Coalition Vice President Pat Schlosser for all of their hard work.

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Councilmember Armstrong moved to approve the July 15, 2019 minutes. Councilmember Hysong seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Minutes of the April 1 and July 1 Board of Public Works and Safety meetings were presented for Council information.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 1613-2019, ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF ANGOLA, INDIANA GENERAL AND LOCAL ROAD AND STREET FUNDS, was read by title and presented to Council for third and final reading.

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Councilmember Olson moved to approve. Councilmember Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0. (General – Common Council and Building Safety)

At 7:04 p.m. a public hearing regarding the residence solid waste charge from \$14.00 to \$14.50 was declared open. There being no public comment, the hearing was considered closed at 7:04 p.m. Ordinance No. 1614-2019, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANGOLA MUNICIPAL CODE, CHAPTER 8.05 SOLID WASTE, was presented for second reading. Councilmember Hysong moved to approve. Councilmember Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0. (residence charge from \$14.00 to \$14.50)

Ordinance No. 1615-2019, AN ORDINANCE DEFINING ADDRESSING SPECIFICATIONS FOR BUILDINGS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF ANGOLA, INDIANA, was read by title and presented to Council for second reading. Councilmember Armstrong moved to approve. Councilmember Crum seconded the motion, which carried 4-0.

#### NEW BUSINESS

City Engineer Cope opened and read aloud bids for the Angola Streetscape Improvements Project estimated at \$220,122.94.

Brooks Construction	\$445,660.00
Chucks Custom Concrete LLC	\$386,337.00

Councilmember Olson asked Cope why the bids would be so much higher than the estimate. Cope said it was stipulated in the project specifications that the contractor could not start until after the Cruise In on September 18, contractors do not need the work, and it is not an easy project because of the pavers and planters. More discussion followed. Cope said we could contact the engineer in charge of the project for a recommendation. Councilmember Olson moved to table the matter and for Cope to contact the engineer and report back to Council. Councilmember Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Ordinance No. 1616-2019, AN ORDINANCE FIXING COMPENSATION OF APPOINTED OFFICERS, DEPUTIES AND OTHER EMPLOYEES AND OF POLICE AND FIREFIGHTERS FOR THE CITY OF ANGOLA, INDIANA FOR THE YEAR 2020, was presented to Council for first reading. Councilmember Crum moved to approve. Councilmember Hysong seconded the motion. Mayor Hickman wanted to make Council aware of section 4 (B) regarding police differential pay which is an addition to the ordinance. Motion to adopt the ordinance as presented carried 4-0. (1% increase; 27 pay days)

Council was asked to set elected officials' salaries for 2020. Councilmember Armstrong moved to approve as presented. Councilmember Crum seconded the motion. Deputy Clerk Onofrietti asked for clarification since nothing was presented. Councilmember Armstrong stated the amount presented was \$0.00 and that is what the motion was for. Onofrietti then

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asked for clarification that the amount of \$0.00 would be for the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer. Councilmember Armstrong confirmed the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Presented for Council for approval was change order no. 01 for Parrish Excavating, Inc. change in contract increase of \$2,373.00 for the Saginaw Street Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project. Councilmember Olson moved to approve. Councilmember Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Executive Director of the Turning Point Homeless Shelter of Steuben County Shannon Thomas updated Council on the Shelter. Mayor Hickman thanked Thomas for the service and reported hearing good things about the Shelter and Thomas' work. Discussion followed. No action was taken by Council.

#### CLERK-TREASURER AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Wastewater Superintendent Williams reported while a contractor was working on a 1960 sewer line on Mechanic Street a pipe was hit and a \$15,000 camera lost. Fortunately, the camera was recovered today. Pipe failure work will begin as early as next week on Mechanic Street and Oak Street.

Chief of Police Hamblen stated with the latest shootings please keep your eyes open and report anything that looks suspicious. If it seems wrong, it probably is. Let the police know. Hamblen reported National Night out is Tuesday, August 6. Easton Place will have a big tent and the food is awesome. Stop by if you have a chance.

Mayor Hickman reported the Historic Preservation Commission will conduct a historic walk on Friday night.

#### APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS

Councilmember Olson moved to approve the Allowance of Accounts Payable Vouchers 41614 through 41854 totaling \$1,089,034.92. Councilmember Hysong seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

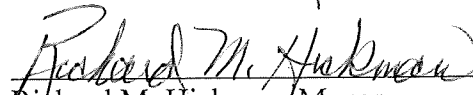
#### OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Councilmember Hysong asked about the Commons Park sidewalk on Don Sell Lane. Park Superintendent Hanna reported that was a Street Department project.

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There being no further business, the meeting was considered adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

  
Richard M. Hickman, Mayor  
Presiding Officer

Attest:

  
Debra A. Twitchell, Clerk-Treasurer