

DECEMBER 16, 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, Council Chambers, 210 North Public Square, with Mayor Richard M. Hickman presiding. Councilmembers Gary L. Crum, David A. Olson, Kathleen G. Armstrong, David B. Martin, and Joseph M. Hysong answered roll call. No Councilmember was absent. Clerk-Treasurer Debra A. Twitchell recorded the minutes.

Present were Chief of Police Stu Hamblen, City Attorney Kim Shoup, City Engineer Amanda Cope, Deputy Clerk Tammy Onofrietti, Economic Development and Planning Director Vivian Likes, Wastewater Superintendent Craig Williams, Water Superintendent Tom Selman, Street Commissioner Doug Anderson, Firefighter Brian Bowden, Firefighter Paul Thiel, PT Firefighter Zac Thiel, and Firefighter Hillary Cope.

Also present were Ashlee Hoos of *The Herald Republican*, Colin Meadowcroft of WLKI, Isaac Lee, Lou Ann Homan, Pat Schlosser, Alisa Mills, Denise Booth, Nicole Satalino, Latrielle Wheat, Richele Orn, Flynn Catey, Jerry McDermid, Jared Booth, Lynn Leiter, Brad Booth, Gretchen M. Miller, Maria Davis, and Karen Deforest.

REMARKS BY MAYOR HICKMAN

Mayor Hickman read a Main Street proclamation recognizing Angola's Downtown Action Coalition.

Clerk-Treasurer Twitchell administered the oath of office to Brandon Booth as sergeant for the Angola Police Department.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Councilmember Olson moved to approve the December 2, 2019 minutes. Councilmember Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Minutes of the October 7, 2019 Board of Public Works and Safety meeting were presented for Council information.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 1624-2019, AN ORDINANCE VACATING UNIVERSITY AVENUE AND A PORTION OF WEST GALE STREET, was read by title and presented to Council for first reading. Councilmember Martin moved to approve. Councilmember Crum seconded the motion. Discussion followed. The motion to approve on first reading carried 5-0. Councilmember Martin then moved to waive Common Council Rule 22 and present the ordinance for second and third readings. Councilmember Crum seconded the motion. The motion to waive Rule 22 carried 5-0. Ordinance No. 1624-2019 was then presented on second reading. Councilmember Martin moved to approve. Councilmember Crum

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seconded the motion. The motion to approve on second reading carried 5-0. Ordinance No. 1624-2019 was then presented on third and final reading. Councilmember Martin moved to approve. Councilmember Hysong seconded the motion. Discussion followed regarding City utility access. City Engineer Cope explained the ordinance contains language that vacation proceedings do not deprive a public utility of the use of all or part of a public way or public place to be vacated. The motion to adopt said ordinance on third and final reading carried 5-0.

Resolution No. 2019-766, A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANGOLA, INDIANA, APPROVING THE DEDUCTION FROM ASSESSED VALUATION FOR THE INSTALLATION OF NEW MANUFACTURING EQUIPMENT, ALL LOCATED WITHIN AN ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA WITHIN THE CITY OF ANGOLA, INDIANA, was read by title and presented to Council for approval. Executive Director Isaac Lee, Steuben County Economic Development Corporation, and Richele Orn, Univertical controller, described the project. The new manufacturing equipment is the staging of projects to come. Councilmember Martin moved to approve as presented for five years (abatement). Councilmember Olson seconded the motion. Discussion followed. The motion to approve the resolution carried 5-0. (Univertical, LLC, 203 Weatherhead Street; personal property, five years)

Resolution No. 2019-767, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ANGOLA FOR THE GENERAL AND MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY FUNDS AND FORWARDED TO THE COMMON COUNCIL FOR THEIR ACTION AND PASSAGE PURSUANT TO IC 6-1.1-18.6, was presented to Council for approval. Councilmember Martin moved to approve. Councilmember Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0. (General Fund – Mayor, Common Council, Police)

Executive Director Alisa Mills, Community Humane Shelter of Steuben County, presented a recap of 2019. The intake for the City is 286 animals which is a little higher than 2018. The Shelter had almost 4,000 volunteer hours logged. This year, a new program was launched called "Literacy for Companionship". Those elementary children who have difficulty in the classroom read to the animals which provides a stabilizing affect on the child. The Shelter received a grant for play yards. A project for 2020 is doubling the parking lot. Discussion followed. Councilmember Armstrong noted Steuben County is very fortunate to have the facility. Councilmember Armstrong then moved to approve the Agreement for Services with the Community Humane Shelter of Steuben County for 2020 in the amount of \$32,300. Councilmember Martin seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Upon motion by Councilmember Martin, seconded by Councilmember Hysong, and carried 5-0, the following 2020 Fire Protection Agreements were approved.

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- Jackson Township \$3,450
- Scott Township \$6,308
- York Township \$4,350

Upon motion by Councilmember Martin, seconded by Councilmember Hysong, and carried 5-0, change order no. 1 for A P I Construction Corp. change in contract increase of \$5,395.15 for the Carlin Drive Reconstruction Project was approved. (Revised contract amount \$252,727.15)

Councilmember Martin moved to reappoint if willing Mark Cowen and Charles Dowe to the Angola Redevelopment Commission. Councilmember Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Noted for the record, mayoral appointments for 2020:

- *Board of Public Works and Safety*
Richard M. Hickman, Chair
David B. Martin, Councilmember
David A. Olson, Councilmember
- *Common Council Standing Committees*
Services and Budget Committee > Olson and Martin
Public Safety > Crum and Olson
City Utilities > Martin and McDermid (Councilmember Elect)
Streets, Alleys, and Lighting > Crum and Armstrong
- *Traffic Commission*
Richard M. Hickman, Chair
Jerold McDermid, Councilmember Elect
Amanda Cope, City Engineer
Stu Hamblen, Chief of Police
Doug Anderson, Street Commissioner

The Common Council noted for the record the filing of the Annual Certification of Elected Official to the Executive of the City of Angola, Indiana on Compliance with Municipal Nepotism Policy Involving Direct Line Supervision for the mayor, clerk-treasurer, and councilmembers.

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The Clerk-Treasurer's Depository Statement and Cash Reconciliation for the month ending November 2019 was presented for Council information.

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CLERK-TREASURER AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Economic Development and Planning Director Likes noted the blue folders of information presented to Council compiled by Angola's Downtown Action Coalition. Information includes 2019 Coalition activities and grants received.

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS

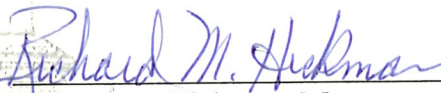
Councilmember Martin moved to approve the Allowance of Accounts Payable Vouchers 43764 through 43995 totaling \$1,425,399.94 which includes interfund transfers of \$284,382.47. Councilmember Armstrong seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was had regarding the installation of a streetlight on Wohlert Street behind the Elks Lodge (2005 North Wayne Street). City Engineer Cope explained there is no power along Wohlert Street. Councilmember Crum commented it would behoove the property owner to install security lighting. There is a sidewalk on the east side of Wohlert Street. The inquiry was made by a jogger. Solar lighting was discussed. No action was taken by Council.

This being the last meeting for Councilmember Hysong, Mayor Hickman thanked him for his service to the community. Councilmember Hysong "challenged everyone to be brave. The founding fathers were not politicians."

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