

City of Tipton Common Council meeting held on February 28, 2022, at Tipton City Hall, Council Chambers, Tipton.

Members: Mayor Dolezal, Councilmen Ehman, Chandler, Kring and Rippy, and Clerk-Treasurer Clark. Councilwoman Hufford was not present.

Others: Dick Klein, Vicky Boyd with Tipton Tribune, Roberta Heinzmann, Bob Edinger, and Melissa Pickering.

Mayor Dolezal opened the February 28, 2022, Council meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes: Councilman Chandler made a motion to approve February 14, 2022, Council minutes without amendment, seconded by Councilman Rippy, with all in favor.

Amend Agenda: None.

BOW: Councilman Kring reported from the February 28, 2022, BOW meeting. Councilman Kring stated there was discussion regarding a long-term plan for vehicles and a better uniform policy for all departments.

GAC: Councilman Ehman commented the GAC will meet next week for the first meeting of the year. He also commented there is some discrepancy regarding tree removal by 18 Fairway that is being investigated. Ms. Boyd with Tipton Tribune asked how many trees they are taking out. Councilman Ehman stated they want to take five more out by the 18 Fairway. He also stated Superintendent Talley is meeting with the Engineers tomorrow to discuss this.

Goodwill: Councilman Chandler stated it was a great discussion between the City and County. In attendance were City Councilmen Ehman and Chandler, Mayor Dolezal, County Council Brad Nichols, and Jan Smith, Cicero Twp. Trustee Korey Henderson, and County Commissioner Denny Henderson.

DSW: Councilman Kring commented the Board met today but the meeting was over by the time he was able to make it there.

Street, Alley & Sidewalk Committee: Councilman Ehman stated they discussed sidewalks and they are going to assess all the sidewalks in the city and grade them. He also stated they are working on potholes. If anyone knows of any call the Street Dept. They are also filling holes in the alleys. Councilman Ehman commented Vectren fixed the hole on North Street and will come back in the spring to finish the repairs.

Planning Commission: Nothing to report.

Utility Board: Councilman Chandler reported February 21, 2022, Utility Board minutes are enclosed.

Youth Council: Councilman Ehman stated they have not met.

Humane Society: Councilman Chandler stated they met on February 23, 2022. They signed a contract with Tim Crum, Animal Shelter Service, LLC, to do a feasibility study on a need for animal service countywide. He thanked the Foundation for allowing them to do this.

Cemetery Board: Councilman Rippy commented the Board met on February 22, 2022, and discussed what it would take to start working on the north field with streets, etc. He also commented they want to make sure the drainage at Fourth Street is taken care of.

New Business: Nothing to report.

Old Business:

Police Vehicles (2): Councilman Kring brought up leasing these two vehicles for a five-year term. He also stated he would like to get on a routine of purchasing two new vehicles a year. Councilman Kring stated they approved the purchase of the two vehicles but hadn't approved the financing yet. Councilman Kring made a motion to approve the Mayor to sign the lease that would best fit financially for the city, seconded by Councilman Rippy, with all in favor.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Dolezal stated they are interviewing engineering firms for the ADA Transition Plan. He also stated Red Diamond contracting is looking into our facilities and maintenance cycles. Mayor Dolezal commented INDOT made some speed limit changes on the east and west side of Tipton and there are a few errors that they are looking into with INDOT. Councilman Kring stated kudos to everyone working on this.

Resolutions & Ordinances:

Resolution 2022-01 - Resolution Of The City Of Tipton Common Council Approving A Temporary Covid-19 Sick Day Policy For Probationary Employees: Mayor Dolezal stated this is a temporary resolution and will go back to July 2021. Councilman Kring stated they can resend this at any time. Councilman Chandler made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-01, seconded by Councilman Ehman, with all in favor.

Ordinance 2022-02 – An Ordinance Of The City Of Tipton Amending Appendix A, Schedule Of Fees, Under The Category Of Buildings, Charged By The Tipton City Plan Commission Under Authority Of Chapter Four, Buildings and Building Regulations, And Procedures Of The Tipton City Plan Commission And Board of Zoning Appeals: Mayor Dolezal stated this is for first reading. There was discussion on why the cost was so much for a portable shed/shelter and enforcement challenges. Mayor Dolezal stated we can wait and check with Planning Commissioner Niblick. Councilman Ehman stated he would like to hear Niblick's comments. Councilman Chandler made a motion to table Ordinance 2022-

02, pending additional information from Commissioner Niblick, seconded by Councilman Kring, with all in favor. Mayor Dolezal stated we would circulate the total fee schedule.

Ordinance 2022-03 (Amending Ordinance 2021-12) – An Ordinance Amending The Maximum Salaries Wages And Other Compensation For Police Officers, Firefighters And All Other Employees Of The City Of Tipton For The Year 2022 (Park Labor – (PT) (Experience and New Hire), & School Resource Officer (SRO) (Certification): Mayor Dolezal stated this would allow Park labor to be paid more and paying the certification to the SRO of \$100 per year. Councilman Kring made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-03 on first reading, seconded by Councilman Ehman, with all in favor.

Claims: Councilman Rippy made a motion to approve claims 170473-170631 for \$259,129.50, seconded by Councilman Kring, with all in favor.

Petitions, Complaints, Comments and Memorials:

Councilman Kring made a motion to nominate Roberta Heinzmann to the Tree Committee, seconded by Councilman Chandler, with all in favor. Clerk-Treasurer Clark stated there is a Tree Committee meeting tomorrow night here at City Hall.

Mr. Bob Edinger thanked the Council for tabling the ordinance on the shed. He then asked what the average age of the police cars was before they need to be replaced. Councilman Kring stated we had some trade-in vehicles that were in 2009 and 2013. It was stated about 7-10 years old. Mr. Edinger stated you would need to know that to get the rotation started. Mr. Edinger asked if there was any update on the PUD or housing addition. Mayor Dolezal stated there was discussion regarding drainage and inquires about the traffic study, but he would follow up with Charles from Arbor Homes.

Ms. Melissa Pickering stated she worked for Howard County Auditor, and they had an excel spreadsheet with the lease vehicles and the schedule they have on rotations. The spreadsheet also has the mileage on the vehicles as well. Councilman Kring mentioned Enterprise Fleet management, but I think you are talking about eight to nine vehicles a year. Ms. Roberta Heinzmann stated she believes the County investigated this about three years ago, but it was too much.

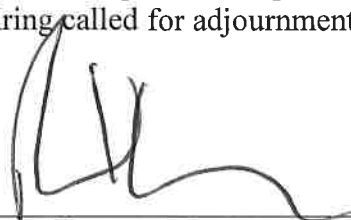
Mr. Dick Klein stated President and CEO Raj Rao is retiring in April 2022. He has been at IMPA since 1986. Klein commented that Commissioner Jack Alvey, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President will be taking his place, he is a bright young man, very knowledgeable, and personable.

Adjournment: With no further business, Councilman Kring called for adjournment, seconded by Councilman Chandler, with all in favor.

Submitted by Tamera Clark, Clerk-Treasurer.



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Council President