

City of Tipton Common Council meeting held on March 22, 2021 at Tipton City Hall, Council Chambers, Tipton.

Members: Mayor Dolezal, Councilwoman Hufford, Councilmen Ehman, Chandler, Kring and Rippy and Clerk-Treasurer Clark.

Others: Malisha Sharp, Laura Sottong, Rex Boyer, Jim Ankrum, Dick Klein, Steve Niblick, Vicky Boyd with Tipton Tribune, and Bob Edinger.

Mayor Dolezal opened the March 22, 2021 Council meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes: Councilman Chandler made a motion to approve the March 8, 2021 Public Hearing minutes without amendment, seconded by Councilman Rippy, with all in favor.

Councilman Chandler made a motion to approve the March 8, 2021 Council minutes without amendment, seconded by Councilman Ehman, with all in favor.

Amend Agenda: Nothing to report.

BOW: Councilman Kring reported from the March 22, 2021 BOW meeting.

GAC: Councilman Ehman reported the Committee didn't meet but the Course is open, and play is good. The trees have been moved along the creek near 18. They are doing a good job.

Goodwill: Councilman Chandler reported the Committee had a good meeting. Councilman Ehman, himself, Mayor Dolezal, County Commissioner Henderson, County Councilmen Harpel and Ashley and Cicero Twp. Trustee Henderson were in attendance.

DSW: Councilman Kring reported they meet next week.

Street, Alley and Sidewalk Committee: Councilman Ehman reported they approved to continue with the Sidewalk Program from last year. He also reported they discussed no parking on streets and side of the streets. We are working on an ordinance on the widths of the streets.

Planning Commission: Councilwoman Hufford reported they met on March 11th and there was a quorum. She also reported there are a number of ordinances that are recommended to the City Council. Councilwoman Hufford reported the March 11, 2021 minutes are enclosed.

Utility Board: Councilman Chandler reported the March 15, 2021 Utility Board minutes are enclosed. He also reported on some of the items discussed in the meeting.

Youth Council: Councilman Ehman reported they haven't met yet.

Humane Society: Councilman Chandler reported approximately 50 people helped a week ago cleaning up the property and a half a dozen showed up this past weekend to finish it up. He also reported several businesses have stepped up and donated time, equipment, and supplies. Charlie Watkins came out on Sunday and cleaned up the last of the items. The County Surveyor done a free survey of the property, so they knew what the cleanup area was. Councilman Chandler thanked Mayor Dolezal for helping. Mayor Dolezal thanked Chandler for his leadership on the Humane Society.

New Business:

Chapter 6 Garbage and Trash – Draft: Mayor Dolezal suggest to the Council to review the draft after the meeting. He also reported it addresses making available additional totes and the billing rate going from \$13 to \$15. Mayor Dolezal reported Public Works Manager Terry has worked awhile on this. If there are any questions send them to Terry. Councilman Kring reported it also addresses to charge \$35 for additional trash/bulk item pickup.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Dolezal reported the RDC meeting is set for March 25, 2021 at 3 p.m. He also reported he hopes the RDC presents the plan on making available the City lots to build homes on.

Resolutions & Ordinances:

Resolution 2021-06 – A Resolution Transferring Certain Real Property To The City Of Tipton Redevelopment Commission – 460 N. West Street: Mayor Dolezal reported the home was removed and the liens had to be cleared off before the transfer to RDC and that has been done. Councilman Kring made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-06, seconded by Councilman Ehman, with all in favor.

Resolution 2021-07 – A Resolution Authorizing The Settlement And Release Of All Claims IN Case No. 1:20-CV-2419: The Settlement claim relates to the lawsuit and executive session. Mayor Dolezal reported at some point he will follow up on a future date. The max amount is \$18,763.42. Councilman Chandler made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-07, seconded by Councilman Rippey, with all in favor.

Resolution 2021-08 – A Resolution Creating Line 130 Settlement Wages in The Rainy Day Fund and Creating Line 341 Settlement In The General Fund – Council Budget: Mayor Dolezal reported this relates to the satisfaction of settlement, it could be wages and settlement, they are two distinct pieces. It relates to the legal situation we are in. Councilman Kring made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-08, seconded by Councilman Rippey, with all in favor.

Resolution 2021-09 – A Resolution Adopting The 2021 Sidewalk Improvement Program and Funding: Mayor Dolezal reported there is \$75,000 in the General Fund Council Budget. He also reported last year was well subscribed and we used all of it and considered

additional money from EDIT if needed. Councilman Rippy made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-09, seconded by Councilman Chandler, with all in favor.

Ordinance 2021-02 – An Ordinance Revising the City Of Tipton Sewer Use Ordinance: Mayor Dolezal reported the proposed ordinance is for first reading and the second reading would be at the next meeting. Utility Manager Boyer introduced the Council to Jim Ankrum, Boyer's new replacement. He started March 8th and is doing a great job. This is his first project. Utility Manager Ankrum reported Boyer is a great mentor to work with. He also reported the existing ordinance we are updating. He passed out and reviewed the handout displaying the changes. There were a few questions from the Council for Ankrum. Ankrum was able to answer their questions. Several Councilmembers thanked Boyer for his service and a job well done. Utility Manager Ankrum reported there will be a reception on Wednesday, March 31st from 1-3 p.m. for Retiree Boyer. Councilman Kring made a motion to approve Ordinance 2021-02 on first reading, seconded by Councilman Chandler, with all in favor. Mayor Dolezal reported we will set the second reading at the next meeting.

Ordinance 2021-03 – An Ordinance of The City Of Tipton Providing That The Zoning Ordinance Of The City Of Tipton, Tipton County, Indiana Be Amended By Changing An Established Zone To Zone Classification CTI-Z-11-21 City/County: Building Commissioner Niblick reported this is the 60 acres the City and Council purchased. We advertised the legal publication on February 26, 2021, the Public Hearing was before City Planning Commission on March 11, 2021. After the Public Hearing they took a vote and it was a favorable recommendation of a 7-0 vote. It was certified to the Clerk-Treasurer on March 16, 2021. The Ordinance was written, and City Attorney Quigley reviewed. Councilwoman Hufford made a motion to approve Ordinance 2021-03 on first reading, seconded by Councilman Ehman, with all in favor. Mayor Dolezal reported the second reading would be at the next meeting.

Claims: Councilman Rippy made a motion to approve the claims 168029-168126 in the amount of \$354,409.92, seconded by Councilman Kring, with all in favor.

Petition, Complaints, Comments and Memorials:

Councilman Kring gave condolences to former Fire Chief Mark Herron's family.

Ms. Laura Sottong thanked the Council and the Planning Commission office for their help in closing the issues with Canterbury Apartments. She then questioned the process for grass violations compared to the furnace issues. There was a brief discussion regarding the issues. Sottong then questioned the meeting regarding the Police and Fire pay. Mayor Dolezal reported we want to compensate all employees fairly. It will be discussed at budget time. Sottong asked about budget and that timeline. Clerk-Treasurer Clark reported budgets must be approved by November 1st. It was reported budget hearings are public meetings. Sottong congratulated them on the Humane Society. Councilman

Chandler reported he would be discussing this with the Commissioner, County Council and the Townships. We need to get the building operational for budget cycles to work.

Mr. Bob Edinger reported he attended the Utility Board many years and it's a complicated place and he had lots of questions and Utility Manager Boyer answered them but not sure he understood. Thank You.

Councilman Chandler reported as Liaison of the Utility Board, Boyer done a tremendous job. This is one of the City's greatest assets, not just monetary, the personnel are a class act. He also reported we are fortunate to have Jim Ankrum coming aboard.

Mr. Dick Klein, Utility Board member and Liaison of IMPA, stated for Boyer to enjoy fishing.

Utility Manager Boyer reported right now he has finished a lot of major projects and we are getting to a point to start new projects for the new manager and he thinks we have a good one. Mayor Dolezal thanked Boyer for everything.

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

Submitted by Tamera Clark, Clerk-Treasurer.



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Council President