

City of Tipton Common Council meeting held on July 27, 2020, at Tipton City Hall, Council Chambers, Tipton.

Members: Mayor Dolezal, Councilmen Ehman, Kring and Rippy and Clerk-Treasurer Clark. Councilman Chandler called in for the meeting. Councilwoman Hufford was not present.

Others: Maddie Powell, Amaya Stowers, Dick Klein, Doug Bogert with Wabash Co. Animal Shelter, Donna Bogert, Roberta Heinzmann, Vicky Boyd with Tipton Tribune, Grace Brandon, and Brad Whitman.

Mayor Dolezal opened the July 27, 2020, Council meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes: Councilman Kring made a motion to approve the July 13, 2020, Council minutes without amendment, seconded by Councilman Ehman, with all in favor.

Amend Agenda: Mayor Dolezal reported he was modifying the agenda and have Mr. Bogert go before the Committee reports.

New Business:

Animal Shelter – Doug Bogert, Director of the Wabash County Animal Shelter (The shelter is ran by a non for profit, with funding from both City and County.) Mr. Bogert gave the history of their shelter. He stated it started as municipal for County of Wabash and was a kill shelter. Then they decided to go non for profit and the Board is in control of the personnel. They hired a manager and the manager handles money, hiring and firing of personnel. Any other issues the Board will handle. They have 15 dog kennels and try to keep two open for emergency situations, and they can handle 24 cats and have 1 kennel for emergency cat. The pros for municipally owned is there is no fund raising, it is no doubt more costly. Non for profit is less expensive way to do things. The biggest expense is payroll. Mayor Dolezal asked how many employees. Mr. Bogert stated 2 full-time (himself and a registered Vet Tech) and 3 part-time employees (30-35 hours and 12-15 hours). There was a lengthy discussion on fundraising, budgets, City and County contributions, animal control, medication for the animals, adoptions, etc. Mr. Bogert commented if the City decides to go with an animal shelter, he is willing to help the City with that. Mrs. Boyd with Tipton Tribune asked what the Vet Tech does at the facility. Mr. Bogert stated they draw blood from the animals, give vaccines, heartworm test, etc. Mayor Dolezal and the Council thanked Mr. Bogert for attending and appreciate the offer of your experience and use of resource.

BOW: Councilman Kring reported from the July 27, 2020, BOW meeting.

GAC: Councilman Ehman reported the GAC didn't meet in July. He also stated there is a lot of play and the condition of the course is excellent. Councilman Ehman reported there is preliminary discussion on cart rental and fees, and we are checking with surrounding

courses to see what there pricing is. It was reported that Golf Pro Bontrager and Superintendent Talley are doing a great job.

Goodwill: It was reported Councilmen Ehman, Chandler and County Councilman Purvis attended, and the conversation continues to be valuable.

District Solid Waste: Councilman Kring reported they met Monday and there is a surplus of 200 K in the Solid Waste and the Committee suggested to use it for the landfill, it passed unanimously, Councilwoman Wilson was not in attendance. Councilman Kring reported he was appointed as fiscal officer for next year because Manier will not be on the Board. He also reported they finally approved the five-year plan. Councilman Kring stated Director Heron and her staff do a fantastic job. He also reported they will take paint at the facility. Councilman Ehman commented it is a well ran operation, clean and orderly, kudos to her.

Street, Alley and Sidewalk Committee: Councilman Ehman reported the Committee met last week and all the 2019 sidewalk applications are completed and eight of the 2020 are in the works. He also reported they discussed the pedestrian walk at the Library. It was reported we were able to get in the Community Crossing Grant for 2020, kudos to all who worked to get the application submitted. He also reported they are working on crack sealing the newly paved roads. Councilman Kring asked about restriping roads they just repaved. Councilman Ehman stated Park Road was discussed and ones that were already there.

Planning Commission: Nothing to report.

Utility Board: Mayor Dolezal reported the July 20, 2020, Utility Board minutes are enclosed.

Youth Council: Councilman Ehman reported there are three young ladies here, Amaya Stowers, Maddie Powell and Grace Brandon who are representing the Mayor's Youth Council. Miss Stowers gave some ideas on what they would like to get done this year, a few items is WIFI in the Park with a screened in area in the pavilion and another is a blood drive fundraiser. Mayor Dolezal reported they helped with the food drive and he sincerely appreciated their help. Councilman Kring asked where the equipment would be housed, you need a strong signal or repeater. It was mentioned about a free hot spot. Mr. Brad Whitman reported if it is a free public hot spot make sure to have it restricted like the Library. There was a brief discussion on meetings and getting with Dept. Heads regarding this. Councilman Rippey stated kudos to you three ladies and the entire group. Mayor Dolezal thanked them as well.

New Business: Nothing to report.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

Mayor's Report: Nothing to report.

Resolutions and Ordinances:

Ordinance 2020-05 – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 2002-11 and Ordinance No. 2003-07 Which Created And Established The Standards Of The Tree Advisory Committee: Mayor Dolezal reported this Ordinance passed on first reading at the last meeting. Councilman Kring made a motion to approve Ordinance 2020-05 on second and final reading, seconded by Councilman Rippy, with all in favor.

Ordinance 2020-06 – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 520 Which Created Residential And Other Requirements For Police and Fire Employment: Mayor Dolezal stated this formalizes and clarifies after hiring a Police Officer or Firefighter within one year of hire their residency has to be in the County of Tipton. He also stated if somebody finds residency outside the County then they are resigning their position. Councilman Rippy made a motion to approve Ordinance 2020-06 on first reading, seconded by Councilman Kring, with all in favor.

Claims: Councilman Rippy made a motion to approve the claims 166200-166310 in the amount of \$1,279,999.55, seconded by Councilman Kring, with all in favor.

Petitions, Complaints, Comments and Memorials: Mrs. Vicky Boyd with Tipton Tribune asked about the skate park and where we stand and a place for it. Mayor Dolezal commented the suggested site is south of the basketball courts. He also stated they are going to discuss this item at the Park Board. Mrs. Roberta Heinzmann commented they are scheduled for the August Park Board meeting, Tuesday, August 4th.

Mr. Brad Whitman asked for an update on graveling the alley behind his house. Mayor Dolezal commended him on the good progress on the garage. Mr. Whitman stated the door was a special order and he will receive it on Thursday and install it on Sunday. He also stated he would like to gravel his driveway and needs to take the top layer of soil. Mayor Dolezal stated he would get with Public Works Manager Terry and have a discussion.

Ms. Roberta Heinzmann stated the meeting with the Youth Council they could use the Foundation for a meeting place. Councilman Ehman reported any meeting time after school is difficult. He also stated earlier in the year they met at 8 am at Tipton High School.

Ms. Roberta Heinzmann reported regarding the animal house that if there is a problem with reoccurring visitors, will there be some kind of rule, expenditures will increase. Councilman Kring stated there is an ordinance that addresses it now \$50 then \$100, not sure it is enforced. Ms. Heinzmann stated with the animal shelter will there be posting like Indianapolis and Noblesville on the website. Mayor Dolezal stated we are not to that detail yet.

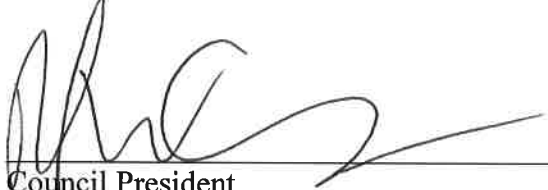
Ms. Roberta Heinmann asked if there was an ordinance regarding recreational trailers, work trailers, extra vehicles. Private employment are they allowed to park on the street. They continue to park on North East Street. Mayor Dolezal stated she needs to speak to

Commissioner Niblick regarding that question. Clerk-Treasurer Clark stated there is an ordinance regarding vehicles and trailers can only be so long when connected.

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

Submitted by Tamera Clark, Clerk-Treasurer.


Tamera Clark, Clerk-Treasurer


Council President