

City of Tipton Common Council meeting held on August 10, 2020, at Tipton City Hall, Council Chambers, Tipton.

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

Others: Debra Coleman, Laura Sottong, Malisha Sharp, Judith Leininger and Bob Edinger.

Mayor Dolezal opened the August 10, 2020, Council meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes: Councilman Rippy made a motion to approve the July 27, 2020, Council minutes without amendment, seconded by Councilman Chandler, with all in favor.

Amend Agenda: Nothing to report.

BOW: Councilman Kring reported from the August 10, 2020, BOW meeting.

Cemetery Board: Councilman Rippy stated there were eight burials, three cremations, and five lots sold. He also reported Picnic with the Past hosted by the Historical Society is scheduled for August 22nd on Fairview out by the Cemetery.

Park Board: Councilman Rippy reported the Board met last Tuesday, August 4th. Concert in the Park is August 15th with 45 RPM playing, bring a mask and social distance. He also reported there is a ten-team fundraiser for Carine Henderson at the Babe Ruth Field on August 21st and 22nd. All proceeds go for her medical expenses. Councilman Rippy reported IU Hospital has contacted Park Foreman Tomlinson regarding their annual Community Day in the Park. He also stated there will be new cameras in the Park and more cameras can be added with the new trail project. Councilman Rippy stated the Pool and Park is beautiful. Councilman Kring commented he took his niece, nephew, and daughter there and the splash pad is amazing.

Utility Board: Councilman Chandler reported the August 3, 2020, Utility Board minutes are enclosed.

New Business:

Canterbury Apartments: Mayor Dolezal reported Councilmen Kring, Councilmen Rippy and himself at the BOW heard of the conditions at Canterbury Apartments. He also stated he spoke with Brian Shortridge and Lindsey Ogden at the Health Dept. to see what they can do. Mayor Dolezal commented he spoke with Fire Chief Bitner and Asst. Chief Webster about inspecting the property. Asst. Chief Webster is a certified inspector. He also commented Asst. Chief Webster would be doing a thorough inspection Wednesday and Thursday and will recommend on what to improve on in the Ordinance regarding the commercial standards and rentals. Ms. Laura Sottong commented thank you for being pro-active. This is the first step to the whole process, after inspection and guidance,

ordering issues. Mayor Dolezal stated we will keep you filled in. There was a brief discussion of some State sites and a couple of tools there. Mayor Dolezal commented the Ordinance Committee will be looking at this as well. Councilwoman Hufford, Councilman Chandler, and City Attorney Quigley are on that Committee. Councilwoman Hufford stated we should be meeting in the next 45 days as a group, then in front of the Council, and then go from there. There was a brief discussion regarding grass violations and other nuisances. It was also reported Herman & Kittle was the property manager and the owner is out of Texas. Ms. Malisha Sharp reported Bloomington and Noblesville passed an ordinance to help with slumlords. If it's not taken care of the City can issue a violation. Mayor Dolezal asked if there is no process or procedure. Ms. Sharp stated not for now but maybe in the future. Mayor Dolezal stated with these communities there are a lot more rental issues, we will do our best. There was a brief discussion about the nuisances at the property and the tenants being threatened not to go to any meetings.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Dolezal stated we are working with property owners on voluntary annexation of 100 acres of ground with 11 properties. We received a petition of voluntary annexation from four properties by the Jail. He also reported the animal shelter building we are waiting on the title work to make the purchase. Mayor Dolezal commented we are looking at additional acres at the Business Park from Mr. Ed Schulenburg.

Resolutions and Ordinances:

Ordinance 2020-06 – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 520 Which Created Residential And Other Requirements For Police And Fire Employment: Mayor Dolezal reported Ordinance 2020-06 passed on first reading at last meeting. He also stated this Ordinance requires Police and Fire employees to reside within Tipton County by the time the member's first calendar year of employment is complete. Councilwoman Hufford asked some questions about the Ordinance. Clerk-Treasurer Clark explained that the Ordinance was presented at the last Council meeting on July 27, 2020. Councilman Kring made a motion to approve Ordinance 2020-06 on second and final reading, seconded by Councilman Ehman, with all in favor.

Claims: Councilman Rippy made a motion to approve the claims 166311-166381 in the amount of \$4,294,101.69, seconded by Councilman Chandler. Councilman Kring asked if this included the second round of applicants for the OCRA Grant. Mayor Dolezal stated yes but it doesn't include Horton's it will be on the next meeting of claims. He also commented there is 19K left in the funds and a decision was made to distribute it equally to all the recipients which there were 33 applicants. Mayor Dolezal stated the businesses appreciate it. The claims were approved by all.

Petitions, Complaints, Comments and Memorials:

Councilman Chandler stated to please implore vigilant with masks and social distancing. He is very concerned about the outbreak. He also stated that he took his youngest son to an event three weeks ago and there were no masks, so they ended up leaving.

Mayor Dolezal reported the Health Dept. is working on a testing grant, they are coordinating it with the Hospital. It will be available and convenient, hopefully, the bar will not be as high as in the past. He also commented the testing results might be high, but the goal is September 1st. Ms. Laura Sottong stated the COVID numbers, case numbers, deaths, and recovery numbers, where are they all reported. It was on the State website, click the County and it shows the other numbers.

Councilman Ehman stated he didn't know if everyone were aware of the student school supplies available. The Health Dept. and Boys and Girls Club have them available for pickup. He also stated the supplies are sitting outside the tower at the Boys and Girls Club and people can pick up what you need. Councilman Chandler stated with no questions asked.

Councilman Kring asked about budget hearings. Clerk-Treasurer Clark commented we are going to discuss the budget after the meeting.

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