

**COUNCIL MEETING 17-20  
OCTOBER 23, 2017**

The City Council met in Council Chambers at 7:00 PM with the Mayor calling the meeting to order and the following answering to roll call:

Andy Koehler	Council Member
Mike Yaklich	Council Member
Steve Faber	Council Member
Deann Schweitzer	Council Member
Steve Looney	Mayor

News media present was as follows:

Mike Helenthal	Star Courier
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The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Mayor Looney asked for a moment of silence for our troops still fighting overseas.

Mayor Looney explained that the next items were placed on the consent agenda and were considered to be routine in nature to be passed as a whole with one vote of the Council. Mayor Looney requested that any member of the Council or the audience wishing to have an item removed from the consent agenda for individual consideration to make the request and the item would be removed and considered following the approval of the remaining consent items. The consent agenda included minutes from the October 10, 2017 Council Meeting, payroll for the pay period ending October 14, 2017 in the amount of \$215,444.31, reports from Finance and Administration, Police Department, Public Works and Bock, Inc. The consent agenda was approved on a motion made by Council Member Schweitzer and seconded by Council Member Yaklich. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Bills submitted for approval totaling \$498,117.62 were approved on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Schweitzer. Council Member Koehler questioned the façade improvement grant. City Clerk Edwards noted the \$10,000 limit for the grant. Council Member Faber asked about the sidewalk reimbursement to Crowe Auto. Community Development Director Edwards explained that sidewalk in a business and manufacturing zone is required to be six inches thick. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

Mayor Looney asked if anyone wished to speak regarding a non-agenda item. There being no such requests Mayor Looney moved on to new business.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Ordinance #3901 granting an easement to Mark and Kathleen Slavens at 561 East Mill Street was approved on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Yaklich. Council Member Koehler complimented City Manager Bradley for working out the solution for an issue that was caused by not knowing the location of the lot lines. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution #5078 to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Azavar for a tax and fee revenue audit was tabled to allow the City Attorney to continue to work out some of the details of the agreement on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Schweitzer. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution #5079 to appoint Kathy Erdmann to the Civil Service Commission was approved on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Schweitzer. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Ordinance #3902 declaring two ambulances as excess was approved on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Schweitzer. Mayor Looney noted that declaring these as excess allows the two new ambulances to go into service. Council Member Yaklich questioned when the new ambulances would be placed in service. Chief Shook reported that we were waiting for a radio that had been ordered through the state bid more than seven weeks prior. It was set to ship on October 30. Council Member Faber suggested contacting Neponset for a possible intergovernmental agreement for the sale of one of the ambulances. A brief discussion was held regarding the propriety and steps necessary for that to happen. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

The resignation of Council Member Schweitzer was accepted on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Yaklich. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Council Member Schweitzer stated that she was proud to have served the City of Kewanee, but she was relocating to another community. She was looking forward to who and what the future holds.

Council Member Koehler thanked Deann for her service.

Council Member Yaklich wished her much success in the future.

Council Member Faber thanked her for her service, noted that we would miss her.

Council Member Schweitzer stated that it had been a privilege and an honor to have served with all of them.

Mayor Looney reported that a certificate of appreciation was given to Jason Warren on Friday for his efforts in giving life-saving CPR to resident. He also reported the collection details for the recently held City wide cleanup, thanking all those who volunteered and made donations to the cause. He urged residents to get out to see the newly unveiled honorary street sign on Madison Avenue to honor our fallen soldiers. He wished all the area sports teams good luck in the post season. He urged motorists to exercise caution during trick or treat hours on October 31 between 5 and 7 pm. Finally, he thanked Deann for her service to the community.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

City Clerk Edwards announced that City Hall offices would be closed on November 10, 2017 in observance of Veteran’s Day. There would be no change to the trash collection schedule. Daylight Savings Time would end on Sunday, November 5 at 2:00 am, reminding residents to fall back an hour on November 5 and change the batteries in their smoke detectors.

There being no further business, Council Member Koehler moved to adjourn the meeting and Council Member Faber seconded the motion. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM.

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MELINDA EDWARDS, CITY CLERK

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DATE APPROVED