

COMMON COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

August 21, 2017

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Shelbyville, Indiana, was held in the Common Council Chambers of City Hall on Monday, August 21, 2017, at 8:35 A.M. Councilwoman Bowen opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, and Councilman Ridgeway followed that with a prayer. All Council members were present, and Mayor DeBaun presided.

Councilman Wright moved to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2017 meeting, and Councilwoman Bowen seconded. The motion was carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

There was no old business.

Under new business, on Resolution No. 2017-22, a transfer of funds was requested by the Sanitation Department totaling \$4,100.00. Councilwoman Bowen moved to approve the request, and Councilman Asher seconded. The motion was carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

Kim Koehl, executive director of Shelby Senior Services, gave an update on the Shelby Go transportation system. Kim said five vehicles are used Monday through Friday to transport adults over 60 around the City, including the hospital if they schedule the pickup well in advance. She said the City and the hospital donated extra money so an additional driver could be hired. Also, she said they are outgrowing their building and there is not enough parking available for everyone. Concerning Dancing with the Stars tickets, they will be for sale beginning September 5, with the actual event being held November 11.

Bill Kent came in to give his quarterly review of what's occurring at PK USA. He said the company has 604 full time employees, and they have 55 openings that could be filled right now. He held up a sign saying the message shows the company is diversifying their business, but he said it is a highly competitive business. Councilman Ridgeway said he's glad that Bill comes quarterly to give updates on PK USA. Councilman Asher asked if Bill could have a discussion with industrial roundtable members to invite other industries to attend, and he said he'd be happy to do that. Bill said Shelbyville is a great place to do business.

David Toll, chairman of the Shelby County Chamber of Commerce (SCDC) board of directors, gave an update on SCDC for the current year. David said SCDC has surpassed last year's goals, and mentioned many of the industries who have located here, as well as company expansions. He said factories are much cleaner now than what they were in the past, but housing has been a problem with homes in the \$250,000.00 to \$350,000.00 range. David asked if the Council would be willing to increase SCDC's budget by an additional \$10,000.00 this year, to ramp up marketing, increasing it to \$85,000.00. Councilman Nolley moved to approve allowing the \$10,000.00 increase, and Councilwoman Bowen seconded. The motion was carried on a 6-0-1 voice vote, with Councilman Asher, who is executive director of SCDC, abstaining.

Gayle Wiley spoke to the Council expressing she felt the City's ordinances concerning residents keeping their properties clean is not working, and that it's not strong enough to be enforced. She said the violators might clean their area once notified, but after a while, the repeat offenders go right back to littering their property again. She noted other communities have much stronger laws in effect, and felt the City should look into strengthening its laws against offenders. Councilman Carmony noted he had a neighbor who took three years before cleaning that property, so he agreed the City's Ordinance Committee should meet to review its current laws. He invited Gayle to attend the next Ordinance Committee meeting.

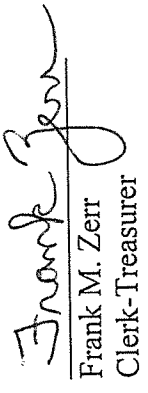
Under reports from Committees, Boards, and Commissions, Councilman Carmony said he would give the Finance Committees recommendations, from their last meeting, at the next Council meeting.

There being no further business, Councilman Wright moved to adjourn.



Thomas D. DeBaun,
Mayor

ATTEST:



Frank M. Zerr
Clerk-Treasurer