

COMMON COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

May 7, 2018

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, May 7, 2018, at 7:00 P.M. Councilwoman Bowen opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, and Councilman Carmony followed that with a prayer. All Council members were present, and Mayor DeBaun presided.

Councilman Wright moved to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2018 meeting, and Councilwoman Bowen seconded. The motion was carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

Under miscellaneous business, Councilman Nolley moved to approve the City's financial reports, and Councilman Phares seconded. The motion was carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

Under old business, on Ordinance No. 18-2835, concerning Animal Shelter fee increases, Councilwoman Bowen moved to approve them on second and final reading, and Councilman Carmony seconded. The motion was carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

Under new business, on Ordinance No. 18-2836, refinancing the Park District Bonds of 2005, Councilman Carmony moved to approve this on first reading, and Councilman Nolley seconded. City Attorney Trent Meltzer came forward to say this bond has a variable rate, and since interest rates are starting to climb, it was felt this needed to be put on a fixed rate. The hope is to get the rate under 3.00%. Mr. Meltzer also asked the Council to consider suspending the rules, and pass this on second reading as well. The motion was carried on a 6-0-1 voice vote on first reading, with Councilman Phares abstaining. Councilman Asher moved to suspend the rules, and Councilman Carmony seconded. The motion was carried on a 7-0 voice vote. Councilman Nolley moved to approve this on second and final reading, and Councilman Asher seconded. The motion was carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

On Ordinance No. 18-2837, to vacate a public way at 303 N. Knightstown Road, Mayor DeBaun opened this up for a public hearing and asked if anyone wanted to come forward to speak for or against the petition. Walter Bettner came forward saying he lives close to the area where it's being vacated, saying he's opposed to the request. He said it would make access to his property difficult and inconvenient, and he hopes to add onto his home in the future. If he does, he'd have trouble getting to his back yard. He provided pictures of the area in question, which were shown to the Council members. With no one else coming forward to speak, Mayor DeBaun closed the public comment section of the hearing. On the Ordinance, Councilman Wright moved to deny the request, and Councilman Phares seconded. Representing Mr. Sundvall, attorney Gregg Graham said it's his understanding that if the alley is vacated, people and children could still use the area to walk. Mayor DeBaun noted that the Planning Staff recommended denial of the request. The motion to deny the petition was on a 7-0 voice vote.

On Ordinance No. 18-2838, to rezone 132 W. Washington St. from BG to an R1 classification, Councilman Nolley moved to approve the request on first reading, and Councilman Carmony seconded. The owner, Chris King, says he wants to remodel the former Hamilton House into a residential area again, and not put any apartments into it either. The motion was carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

On Resolution No. 2018-11, it is a five year continuation of doing business with Interlocal Association that administers our employment-based training programs. Councilwoman Bowen moved to approve the request, and Councilman Asher seconded. The motion was carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

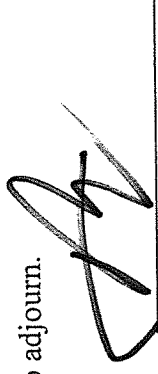
Under other business, Amy Haacker, Executive Director with the Blue River Community Foundation, gave an update on Michael Helbing's art sculpture project. Amy said she worked with Trent Meltzer on preparing a contract agreement to be signed with Michael on the project. Working with another sculptor, Michael is presenting the sculpture at the Tri-State Sculptor's Conference in Greensburg, North Carolina. Amy felt it would be good to have some go down to see and inspect the piece before it's brought up to Shelbyville. Amy said Knauf Insulation has really stepped up as a community partner and corporate citizen, and are a final partner in the funding of the sculpture. Amy talked about Michael serving in the Vietnam War, and how it

inspired him into becoming the artist he is now. Construction drawings will be done next, then reviewed and approved locally, before starting to put it together.

Under reports from Committees, Boards, and Commissions, Councilman Phares wanted to recognize Fire Chief Tony Logan and his team for all they did in remembering Karl Kelley at the Flat Rock River event held around April 20. He said it was done very professionally. Also, he said he was approached by Bill Pease, letting him know the local American Legion is planning a 100 year celebration next year.

Under comments or requests from citizens, Councilman Asher said Advantage Shelby County is graduating their first class on May 9, at 5:30 P.M., at the Strand. Mayor DeBaun said he would be speaking to them at the event.

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



Thomas D. DeBaun
Mayor

ATTEST:



Frank M. Zerr
Clerk-Treasurer