

COMMON COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

June 18, 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, June 18, 2018, at 8:31 A.M. Councilwoman Bowen opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, and Councilman Carmony followed that with a prayer. All Council members were present, Mayor DeBaun was absent, and Council President Nolley presided.

Councilman Wright moved to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2018 meeting, and Councilman Phares seconded. The motion was carried on a 6-0 voice vote.

Under old business, on Ordinance No. 18-2839, to vacate a portion of the alley behind 132 W. Washington St., Councilman Carmony moved to approve this on second and final reading as amended, and Councilman Phares seconded. Councilman Nolley opened it up for a public hearing, but no one came forward, so the hearing was closed. The motion was carried on a 6-0 voice vote.

Under new business, on Ordinance No. 18-2840, the former Marsh area is requesting to have the site rezoned from a BH classification, to an IS classification. Councilman Carmony moved to approve the request on first reading, and Councilman Phares seconded. The motion was carried on a 6-0 voice vote.

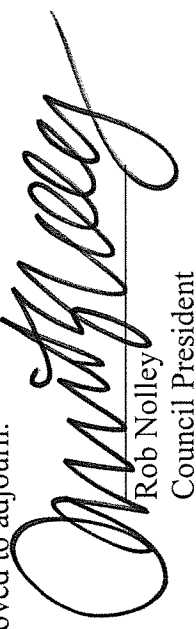
Under other business, Kim Koehl, Executive Director of Shelby Senior Services, gave an update on Shelby Go. She said they are doing very well, moving a lot of people around the City and the County. In the last fiscal year, she said they have had over ten thousand riders, which is up a little over last year, and 5,786 of those were seniors. Kim said they have taken Major Hospital off their loop, and people are only taken there on an on-call basis. At their current location, Kim said they are busting at the seams, to the point that they don't have enough parking, there's not enough room for more programming, and events are held at other locations because there's not enough room for seating. She said she does have enough volunteers to help, mainly because industries are calling and asking how their employees can help for various events. Councilman Ridgeway felt Kim has been doing a good job, but he also felt senior citizens should be the only ones to use Shelby Go. By doing that, they wouldn't lose so much money, and he didn't feel Shelby Go should be used for public transportation for everyone. Councilman Nolley thanked Kim for the update.

Allison Coburn came forward to talk about early childhood learning and made a request to help fund the program with a proposed budget. An original budget was sent to the state requesting grant funding. However, it was denied, although surrounding counties were given grants. Allison presented an amended budget, asking the City and the County for \$50,000.00 each. She said she's talking to the County Council tomorrow evening. Councilman Nolley said this will be taken up with the City's Finance Committee for discussion, and then it would be brought back to the full Council for a vote. Councilman Carmony wanted it known that this should be a shared situation in our community, not shared just by City and County, because what is a \$100,000 budget now, could be \$1,000,000.00 a few years from now. Councilman Asher said he didn't want to step on any toes, but he asked if the Council would consider voting on this tonight. Councilman Carmony felt it should be taken up with the Finance Committee. Councilman Ridgeway said politics should be taken out of this, and the state should listen to the needs of educating children better under the age of five. Councilman Carmony moved to forward this to the Finance Committee for review, and Councilman Phares seconded. The motion was carried on a 6-0 voice vote. Councilman Ridgeway wanted to give a shout out to Parks Director Karen Martin because they have a pre-K program, and said they are doing a good job on that.


Under reports from Committees, Boards, and Commissions, Councilman Carmony said the Finance Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, at 4:00 P.M., in the Council Chambers. On another issue, Councilman Carmony asked Fire Chief Tony Logan to come forward to comment on methods used to save money using the dispatch center on a call. When given specifics on a situation, not all runs will require a fire truck and ambulance. Also, a dispatch can be sent to a direct station to have them respond, instead of all stations getting the call and seeing who has to respond. Although there is a good dispatch system here, it can be

overwhelming, so calls might be sent to Evansville to alleviate the calls coming in. Tony said the state is looking at our situation to see if other Counties might want to use this dispatch system.

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


Rob Nolley
Council President

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