

**COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2017
6:00 P.M.**

Mayor Ryan Daniel – Absent
Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle – Present
Attorney Marcia McNagny – Absent

Council Members

Walter Crowder – Present
Nicole Penrod – Present
Jennifer Romano – Present
Tad Varga – Present
Daniel Weigold – Present

The Columbia City Common Council met in regular session with all members except Mayor Daniel and Attorney McNagny present, Walter Crowder presiding.

MINUTES Motion was made by Tad Varga to approve an overview of the October 3, 2017 meeting minutes as presented, Dan Weigold seconded the motion, Tad Varga, Jennifer Romano, Walt Crowder and Dan Weigold voted aye, Nicole Penrod abstained.

FINAL APPROVAL 2018 BUDGET Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to approve the 2018 Budget as presented, Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

POWER OUTAGE Shawn Lickey gave an update on the power outage from the weekend. He reported they had a failure on the line and then a substation breaker failed causing several issues; 6-7 poles caught fire and it burnt 3 sections of line to the ground. He advised the guys did an awesome job figuring out the problem and getting it isolated. He shared it was one breaker from the high school substation that was mostly affected; that substation was scheduled to be retired in the next 4-5 years. He advised he looked at the cost of repairs to see if it was justifiable and found that he could get it repaired for less than \$2,000. He reported he would probably move forward with the repairs as the substation does serve a purpose right now with the way the lines feed.

MSF GENERATOR Shawn Lickey advised he was still looking into a generator at the Maintenance Facility. He shared he made some changes to the specs and was working with a couple vendors to get quotes. He hoped to have something to present next month.

TRANSMISSION UPGRADE Shawn Lickey shared they have been asking for 10-15 years to upgrade our transmission from 34,500 to 69,000 volts. He explained this would help in not having to reconductor transmission lines. He reported he received a call from I & M that they were looking into doing this project.

POLICE DEPARTMENT Tony Hively reported his department started the ‘No Shave November’ fundraiser for the Patrolling for Presents; he gave an update on the hiring process and advised they were gearing up for Trick or Treat on Saturday; he was continuing to plan for the Veteran’s Marathon and advised his part time dispatcher resigned for personal reasons so would probably be requesting to replace that open position at the next Board of Works meeting.

Having no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

Council President Walter Crowder

Attest:

Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle