

**COMMON COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, JULY 9, 2019  
6:00 PM**

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

**Council Members**

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

The Columbia City Common Council met in regular session with all members except Tad Varga present, Mayor Daniel presiding.

**MINUTES** Nicole Penrod noted a couple grammatical errors. Dan Weigold noted his suggestion was an amphitheater rather than a sports arena.

Motion was made by Jennifer Romano to approve an overview of the June 25, 2019 meeting minutes as amended, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, Nicole Penrod, Jennifer Romano and Dan Weigold voted aye, Walt Crowder abstained.

**RESOLUTION 2019-16: BOND INSURANCE** Motion was made by Jennifer Romano to read Resolution 2019-16 by title only, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye. Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle read Resolution 2019-16, Resolution of the City of Columbia City, Indiana authorizing the purchase of municipal bond insurance from proceeds of its sewage works refunding revenue bonds of 2019 and approving a bond insurance procedures agreement in connection therewith.

Motion was made by Dan Weigold to approve Resolution 2019-16 by title only, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**ORDINANCE 2019-15: WATER RATE INCREASE – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING** Motion was made by Walt Crowder to read Ordinance 2019-15 by title only, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye. Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle read Ordinance 2019-15 an ordinance establishing rates and charges for the use and services rendered by the waterworks of the City of Columbia City and repealing ordinances inconsistent herewith.

Mayor Daniel shared there would be a public hearing at the next meeting. He advised he has also mailed out a letter to the residents explaining the increase and inviting them to the meeting. He shared they have tried many different venues to push this information out so people know about it.

Mike Shoda reported they had a leak in one of the pipes at the plant. He advised Peerless Midwest was able to do a band-aid repair but there are places where there are some serious problems.

Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to approve Ordinance 2019-15 as first reading, Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS** **Tom LaRue** – passed ladder testing. **Kelly Cearbaugh** – report on storm damage, update on curb and sidewalk project, Board of Works authorized hiring of additional employee. **Shawn Lickey** – update on rebuilding project, 2 new employees doing really well, upcoming proposal of AMI system implementation. **Mike Shoda** – working on drainage problems, installing new services.

**MAYOR REPORT** Mayor Daniel reported one of our dispatchers resigned; the Board of Works gave approval to hire to fill that position. He advised the Police Department was interviewing to fill their vacancies. He reported Passages was in for tours of City Hall. He advised we received a voluntary annexation petition from Heavy Truck and Repair.

Having no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

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Mayor Ryan Daniel

Attest:

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Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle