

COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2015
7:00 P.M.

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

Council Members

Nicole Penrod – Present
Jennifer Romano – Present
William (Bill) Simpson – Present
Daniel Weigold – Present
Jacie Worrick – Present

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

MINUTES Mayor Daniel noted a spelling error to Jon Myers last name. Motion was made by Jennifer Romano to approve an overview of the December 8, 2015 meeting minutes as amended, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

JON GOTZ – ANNUAL STORM WATER REPORT Jon Gotz with the Soil & Water Conservation District was present to review the storm water activities report for the year. He noted they anticipate IDEM auditing the MS4 but they have not been in to do that yet. He shared they were trying to move forward with the combined sewer overflow program and noted we do have issues with e-coli in the Blue River and Phillips Ditch. He stated he would like to see more volunteer work and more trees planted in the City.

SWEARING IN OF DEPARTMENT HEADS Rosie Coyle performed the swearing in ceremony for the department heads to be effective January 1, 2016.

ORDINANCE 2015-33 – 2016 ELECTED OFFICIALS SALARY ORDINANCE – 2ND

READING Motion was made by Dan Weigold to read Ordinance 2015-33 by title only, Jennifer Romano seconded the motion, all voted aye. Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle read Ordinance 2015-33 an ordinance fixing the annual salaries of all elected officials of the City of Columbia City, Indiana effective December 26, 2015 for the year 2016.

Motion was made by Jennifer Romano to approve Ordinance 2015-33 on second reading, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

RESOLUTION 2015-36 – TRANSFER OF FUNDS Motion was made by Jacie Worrick to read Resolution 2015-36 by title only, Bill Simpson seconded the motion, all voted aye. Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle read Resolution 2015-36 an emergency resolution providing for the transfer of appropriations for several departments of the City of Columbia City, Indiana for the year 2015 for the action and passage pursuant to IC 6-1.1-18-6.

Rosie Coyle explained at the end of the year if any accounts are in the hole, money is transferred out of other accounts within that same fund.

Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to approve Resolution 2015-36 as presented, Jacie Worrick seconded the motion, all voted aye.

SUSPEND DELINQUENT UTILITY BILLS Rosie Coyle explained these accounts were for customers who were deceased or have filed bankruptcy and we cannot collect on. She stated at the end of the year these account are written off the books but needed Council's approval.

Motion was made by Dan Weigold to suspend the delinquent utility bills as presented, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS **Mike Cook** – issues with scada system, lost power supply for one of the PLC's, VFD shipped out for repair, year-end filing, generator requested for their office during power outages. **Kelly Cearbaugh** – storm clean up. **Tom LaRue** – candy giveaway report, command vehicle engine replacement. **Mike Shoda** – water main break on Jeffrey Drive, booster station offline after ice storm. **Tim Longenbaugh** – training, equipment upgrades, new vehicle in, position transitions, 2 officers at Academy and hope to be at full staff in July.

MAYOR REPORT Mayor Daniel thanked Bill Simpson and Jacie Worrick for their service on City Council, swearing in ceremony for elected officials January 1 at noon, 2016 meeting time changes for Board of Works to 5:00 p.m. and City Council to 6:00 p.m., Mayor's Assistant leaving for new position and is accepting applications, Christmas Tree pickup scheduled for January 9, reviewed weekly trash pickup schedule due to the holiday's.

Having no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Ryan Daniel

Attest:

Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle