The Common council of the City of Knox met in regular session at the Knox City Hall at 7:00 PM CST on Tuesday June 23, 2015 with the following members present: Mayor, Rick Chambers; Clerk-Treasurer, Jeff Houston; Councilmembers, Don Kring, Greg Matt, Linda Berndt, Jeff Berg and City Attorney Dave Matsey. Councilmember Ron Parker was absent.

There were no amendments to the agenda.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the previous meeting were mailed to the councilmembers prior to the meeting for their review. Linda Berndt made a motion, seconded by Greg Matt to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed with Four (4) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: CITIZENS COMMENTS

Julie Carmean who lives at 301 East Washington came before the board with several complaints. Her first issue is that she says her neighbor has six dogs. She says they are noisy, intimidating and sometimes get off their leash. She said the kennels are close to property and smell of dog feces. She has made complaints to the police, but hasn't received any satisfaction.

Her second issue is that the traffic on Washington Street is not stopping at the stop sign at the corner of east and Washington by the Catholic Church and the Head Start building.

She also had problems with her neighbors children coming into her yard to play with her children's toys.

Mayor Chambers said he would check with the City Police to see if complaints have been made about the traffic on Washington.

Her last issue was that she thinks the noise ordinance should be enforced. Her neighbor was mowing the grass until 9:45 PM.

Mayor Chambers said only three dog's are allowed at a property and if ordinance violations need to be written, that will be done.

RE: SELECTED FURNITURE

Svenja Chesna representing Selected Furniture came before the board to request a waiver of non-compliance for their tax abatement. She filed paperwork with the County Treasurer, but supplied nothing to the council at this time. The council could make no determination due to the lack of documentation. No action was taken.

RE: 2016 CALENDAR DATES

The following calendar dates were supplied to the council for their consideration.

2016 CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS
Regular meetings held: 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month
Place: Knox City Hall
Time: 6:45 PM Claims Available for Council
7:00 PM Meeting Begins

Tuesday January 12, January 26, February 9, February 23, March 8, March 22, April 12, April 26, May 10, May 24, June 14, June 28, July 12, July 26, August 9, August 23, September 13, September 27, October 11, October 25, November 8, November 22, December 8, December 22.

2016 BOARD OF WORKS MEETINGS
Regular meetings held: 4th Wednesday of each month
Place: Knox City Hall
Time: 9:30 AM

Wednesday January 27, February 24, March 23, April 27, May 25, June 22, July 27, August 24, September 28, October 26, November 23, December 28.

CITY OF KNOX HOLIDAY SCHEDULE 2016

January 1 - New Year's Day, January 18 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day, February 15 - President's Day, March 25 - Good Friday, May 3 - Election Day, May 30 - Memorial Day, July 4 - Independence Day, September 5 - Labor Day, October 10 - Columbus Day, November 1 - Election Day, November 11 - Veteran's Day, November 24 _ 25 Thanksgiving Day, December 25 & 26 Christmas, January 1 - New Years Day, October 31 2016 - Trick or Treat Hrs 5:30 - 7:00 PM.

Greg Matt made a motion, seconded by Don Kring to approve all three calendar lists as presented. Motion passed with Four (4) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: 2016 SALARY ORDINANCE #1151 - 2ND READING

Clerk-Treasurer Houston presented Salary Ordinance #1151 to the Council. Greg Matt made a motion, seconded by Linda Berndt to approve Ordinance #1151 on second reading by title only. Motion passed with Four (4) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT

Clerk-Treasurer Houston reported that the reason he missed the last council meeting was that he was in Indianapolis attending training that is done annually by the State Board of Accounts and Indiana League of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers. Budget issues, new legislation, new

reporting requirements and the state revolving loan fund program were among the issues discussed.

The Clerk-Treasurer's office will send the water quality and confidence report out with the June utility bills in accordance with the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1996. People who don't receive bills such as those residents who live in apartments will get their reports hand delivered. He suggested the citizens read the information when they receive it.

The Clerk-Treasurer's office received $1,295.79 in lien money for property liens filed against unpaid sewer and sanitation bills. He will start the process in July for more accounts.

Georgia Reality, essentially Shaw Fertilizer has paid the remainder of their loan to SCEDF and to the City of Knox. Since January of 2011 the City had been receiving 6.1% on the remaining balance of the original loan of $237,000.00. The total pay off was $148,365.00 that was deposited back into the Knox Economic Development Fund and can only be spent in accordance with IC36-7-12.

RE: CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Matsey reported that he is working on several issues with the Clerk-Treasurers office.

RE: MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Chambers reported that the Starke County Environmental is no longer accepting electronics. They are having to pay $25.00 a TV for disposal. The Mayor is now working with Starke County Environmental to try to find an outlet to take the electronics. We normally pick up three or four a week.

Mayor Chambers supplied the following report on the fireworks fundraiser.

DOWNTOWN DEPOT FUND RAISER
FINANCIAL REPORT
Event held at Depot on June 13, 2015

Pre Sales	$1,330.00	(Rob sold 1,130.00 himself at Depot)
Sales at Door	$ 290.00	
Profit	$1,620.00	

Expenses: $100.00 was taken out of the sales at the door for a tip for the staff at the Depot for their hard work. So to reflect, we actually took in $390.00 at the door.

Submitted by Darla Cook, Mayor's Assistant

The port-a-pit chicken made $1,676.00. The 50/50 ticket sales are going very slow, so the Mayor would like help selling them. They cost $25.00 a piece.

The Mayor will present a proclamation to Joan Haugh who is retiring from Starke County Community Services.

The dumpster for one day for the free yard sale weekend will cot $486.00.

RE: COUNCIL ITEMS

Don Kring noted that some carpeting has been laying in the alley behind B & H Supply. the Mayor said he would see whose it is and try to get it cleaned up.

Mary Bendt said she will meet with the Park Board this week about the Woodstarke event on August 29 at the park. Everything will be free again. There will be antique cars, food, art and music. She is looking for additional sponsors.

RE: VOUCHERS AND ALLOWANCE

The following properly filed vouchers (see Voucher Docket, Voucher #20381 - #20442 inclusive) were presented and approved.

There being no further business to come before the council at this time the meeting upon motion was duly adjourned.

Rick Chambers, Mayor

Attest: _____
Jeffery J. Houston, Clerk-Treasurer