

The Common council of the City of Knox met in regular session at the Knox City Hall on Tuesday September 10, 2013 at 7:00 PM CST with the following members present: Mayor, Rick Chambers; Clerk-Treasurer, Jeff Houston; Councilmembers, Greg Matt, Linda Berndt, Jeff Berg, Don Kring 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. Jeff Berg made a motion, seconded by Linda Berndt to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed with Four (4) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: ORDINANCE #1138 - ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH RENTAL REGISTRATION AND INSPECTION FUND - 2ND READING

Greg Matt made a motion, seconded by Don Kring to approve Ordinance #138 by title only. Motion passed with Four (4) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: TRANSFER OF FUNDS - RESOLUTION #895

Clerk-Treasurer Houston presented Resolution #895 to the Council for their consideration.

Linda Berndt made a motion, seconded by Jeff Berg to approve Resolution #895. Motion passed with Four (4) ayes and No (0) nays.

RESOLUTION #895  
TRANSFER OF FUNDS

WHEREAS; the Clerk-Treasurer has advised the Common Council a transfer of funds is now required in the General Fund for the payment of vouchers.

BE IT RESOLVED; by the Common Council of the City of Knox that the Clerk-Treasurer is hereby allowed and directed to make the following transfer of funds.

GENERAL FUND:

Police Department	546.00 from 101005315-K 9 Unit
	546.00 to 101005336-Radio Repair
Fire Department	355.14 from 101006444-Personal Protective Equip
	41.24 to 101006221-Supplies
	100.00 to 101006332-Postage
	213.90 to 101006443-Radios
City Hall	1,597.58 from 101013229-Supplies
	1,213.58 to 101013335-Utilities
	384.00 to 101013339-Custodian
Park & Recreation	72.16 from 216010114-Maintenance
	72.16 to 216010113-Recreation Director
	100.00 from 216010447-Equipment
	100.00 to 216010132-Sales Tax

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Rick Chambers, Mayor

Attest:

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Jeffery J. Houston, Clerk-Treasurer

RE: CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT

Clerk-Treasurer Houston reported that the new TIF report has been submitted to the state.

The next council meeting to be held on September 24th will be the meeting to pass the 2014 budget. Clerk-Treasurer Houston said if anyone wanted additional information on the proposed budget they should contact his office prior to that time.

RE: CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Dave Matsey reported that he is working on proposals for the planning commission concerning the outdoor display and storage building regulations and fee structure.

City Attorney Matsey said he is also working on the easement for the water line extension. He would like to see something in writing between the City and the County to spell out the responsibilities of each entity. A memorandum of understanding would be drawn up. Clerk-Treasurer Houston also questioned how vouchers would be handled.

City Attorney Matsey also noted that it may not be legal to have an abatement on the water at the jail.

Mayor Chambers said the bids for the project will be opened during the Board of Works meeting on Wednesday, September 25th at 9:30 AM.

RE: MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Chambers reported that Brent Van Norman will be giving free bagpipe lessons at the Girl Scout Cabin on Tuesday evenings at no charge except for \$60.00 worth of equipment.

The Mayor had Fletchers Carpet come in and give a bid on putting ceramic tile in at City Hall. The Council Chambers would cost about \$3,200.00 and the rest of the building would about double the cost to \$6,372.00.

Officer Dulin has been released from the doctor and returned to work after being off about a month from an injury suffered on the job.

Turkey Tracks event was held last weekend. Lake and Washington Streets were supposed to be left open, but weren't. The Mayor will make sure in the future this won't happen. The event went well and attracted a good crowd.

September 8th the Blue Star Mothers held an event at the VFW. The group puts together boxes of goods needed for soldiers over seas. There will be a chicken and noodle fund raiser for the group on Friday at the VFW.

Sterling Patrick finished 12 years at the Wastewater Treatment Plant recently he was given a letter of appreciation and a pay raise.

The Mayor sent a letter on intent to OCRA letting them know the City is looking to seek a grant to put together a comprehensive plan for the City.

The planning commissioner is also looking to update his policy for planning also. He is studying a policy suggested by the City Attorney that Purdue provided.

The lift station project should be started with in the week.

The hot water heater went out at the Community Center and ruined some electronic equipment. The water heater and equipment are being replaced.

The Mayor said while he was at the Community center he smelled gas and the pilot lights were out on the stove. The doors leading into the kitchen cause the pilot lights to go out. He commented that the stove doesn't really work very well and it should be replaced by a commercial grade one that is similar.

RE: COUNCIL ITEMS

Councilmen Greg Matt asked when the RR Crossing at Bower Street will be completed. The Mayor said it could be another couple of weeks.

Jeff Berg noted the recent remodeling of the Dollar General Store downtown and said everyone should stop in and see it.

Mayor Chambers said that Hoosier Plastics is having a fund raiser by selling kits to golf courses to raise money for a patriots group.

Councilmen, Don Kring noted that Fingerhut Bakery is re-siding their building.

RE: VOUCHERS AND ALLOWANCES

The following properly filed vouchers (see Voucher Docket Book, Voucher #17183 - #17258 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.

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Rick Chambers, Mayor

Attest:

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Jeffery J. Houston, Clerk-Treasurer