

The Common Council of the City of Knox met in regular session Tuesday October 9, 2018 in the Knox City Hall at 7:00 PM CST with the following members present: Mayor, Dennis Estok; Clerk-Treasurer, Jeff Houston; Councilmembers, Ron Parker, Bertha Blue, Jeff Berg, Don Kring, William Gustafson and City Attorney, Leslie Baker.

There were no amendments to the agenda.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES 9/25/18

Minutes of the previous meeting were mailed to the Councilmembers prior to the meeting for their review. Don Kring made a motion, seconded by Ron Parker to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed with Five (5) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT

Instead of giving a financial report, the Clerk-Treasurer gave a public service announcement. He said that October is Fire Prevention Month.

The Fire Department will start to have classes with Little Lambs and Head Start on Wednesday and elementary school children on Thursday. Tell your kids "Don't play with fire".

Have smoke and gas detectors on each floor of your house or apartment. Check batteries once a month and change them once a year. If you can't afford one contact the Fire chief Kenny Pfost and he will be able to either get you one or point you in the right direction to get one.

Be careful using space heaters and don't overuse power strips.

Always know two ways out of a building.

Remember: Arson is not a victimless crime. Lots of people get injured or killed putting out intentionally set fires.

RE: MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Estok reported that October 15th will start the annual leaf pick up. It is already posted on the message board and the City web site.

Peppermint Parade applications will be available by the end of the week. The parade is December 1st.

The Mayor has talked to the vendor doing the work on the crosswalk. Two people are supposed to come up next week to begin work, weather permitting.

RE: COUNCIL ITEMS

Don Kring noted that the paving turned out well, especially the railroad track crossing. William Street has also been repaired.

Bertha Blue asked about repair or replacement of the brick at the Community Center drive way. She said it looked a little like an eye sore. The Mayor said he is still deciding what to do about repairs.

William Gustafson asked if there is a deadline for completion of the new mural at Serenity Park. The Mayor said no because the artist is donating his time. He suspects it may not get done until spring.

RE: CITIZEN COMMENTS

Residents Linda and Dave Metz live at 1108 E John. They voiced their concern about speeding on East John Street from William Street to 500 East. They would like to see some speed limit signs. The Mayor said he would investigate to see if signs need to be posted.

Mr. Metz also asked if he could tour the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Mayor Estok told him to call his office to set up a time he could go through.

RE: VOUCHERS AND ALLOWANCES

The following properly filed vouchers (see Voucher Docket, Voucher #26237 - #26320 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.

Dennis Estok, Mayor

Attest: _____
Jeffery J. Houston, Clerk-Treasurer