

The Common Council of the City of Knox met in regular Tuesday, April 28, 2020 in the Knox Community Center at 7:00 PM CST with the following members present: Dennis Estok, Mayor; Clerk-Treasurer, Cyndi Kidder; Council Members, Jeff Berg, Donald Kring, Ron Parker, Bill Gustafson, Sherry Cowen, and City Attorney Autumn Ferch. There were no amendments to the agenda.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 3/24/2020

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

RE: STARKE COUNTY YOUTH CLUB - IRENE SZAKONYI

Irene Szakonyi with Starke County Youth Club gave an update on the support they are doing for the kids during this tough time due to COVID 19. Their Radio-thon is this Friday, May 1, 2020 from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM on WKVI. Lots of support is needed from Starke County Contributors! Due to the pandemic, all other fund raisers have been cancelled.

RE: RESOLUTION #2020-RE23 - TEMPORARY LOAN

Clerk-Treasurer Cyndi Kidder presented Resolution #2020-RE23 Temporary Loan to the Council.

RESOLUTION #2020-RE23
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
A TEMPORARY LOAN

Temporary Transfers to Depleted Funds

IC 36-1-8-4 (a) states:

The fiscal body of a political subdivision may, by ordinance or resolution, permit the transfer of a prescribed amount, for a prescribed period, to a depleted fund in need of money for cash flow purposes from another fund of the political subdivision if all these conditions are met:

- (1) It must be necessary to borrow money to enhance the depleted fund that is in need of money for cash flow purposes.
- (2) There must be sufficient money on deposit to the credit of the other fund that can be temporarily transferred.
- (3) The prescribed period must end during the budget year of the year in which the transfer occurs.
- (4) The amount transferred must be returned to the other fund at the end of the prescribed period.
- (5) Only revenues derived from the levying and collection of property taxes or special taxes or from operation of the political subdivision may be included in the amount transferred.

IC 36-1-8-4 (b) provides that if the fiscal body of a political subdivision determines that an emergency exists that requires an extension of the prescribed period of a transfer, the prescribed period may be extended for not more than six (6) months beyond the budget year of the year in which the transfer occurs if the fiscal body does the following:

- (1) Passes an ordinance or a resolution that contains the following:
 - a. A statement that the fiscal body has determined that an emergency exist.
 - b. A brief description of the grounds for the emergency.
 - c. The date the loan will be repaid that is not more than six (6) months beyond the budget year in which the transfer occurs.
- (2) Immediately forwards the ordinance or resolution to the State Board of Accounts and the Department of Local government Finance. (IC 36-1-8-4)

Funds advanced shall be derived from taxes on property, special taxes or any other revenue received from any operation of the municipal corporation.

Such temporary transfers should be affected by issuing a warrant and receipt for the amount of the transfer. The warrant should be endorsed and deposited in the depository account designated for the depleted fund. No appropriation is required either for the transfer or the repayment. Also, no interest should be charged on any such temporary transfer.

NOW BE IT ODAINED; by the Common Council of the City of Knox, Indiana that the following temporary loans are made as follows:

From	Rainy Day Fund 103	\$ 35,000.00
To	MVH Unallocated 201	\$ 35,000.00
From	Cedit 330	\$150,000.00
To	General Fund 101	\$150,000.00

The Temporary Loan shall be repaid when the June Tax Draw is received.

Passed and adopted this 28th day of April 2020 by the Common Council of the City of Knox, Indiana by a vote of _____ ayes and _____ nays.

Signed by the Mayor this 28th day of April 2020.

Dennis Estok, Mayor

Attest: _____
Cyndi Kidder, Clerk-Treasurer

Jeff Berg made a motion, seconded by Bill Gustafson to approve Resolution #2020-RE23. Motion passed with Five (5) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: ORDINANCE #2020-OR8 - AMENDING ORD# 896, AND ORD #233

Mayor Estok presented Ordinance #2020-OR8 to the Council for the first reading. A long discussion was held. Council Member Sherry Cowen made a motion to pass Ordinance 2020-OR8 for the first reading. Motion was seconded by Bill Gustafson. Passed by a vote of Five (5) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: ELECTION DAY HOLIDAY - REQUEST TO MOVE FROM MAY 5TH TO JUNE 2ND

Mayor Estok presented to the Council, moving the Election day Holiday from May 5th to June 2nd due to the Primary Election being rescheduled. Ron Parker made a motion, seconded by Sherry Cowen to approve the rescheduling of the Election Holiday. Motion passed with Five (5) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: MAYOR'S REPORT

Leaf pickup starts May 1st - May 8th.

New golf cart permits are due May 31.

City Police will be registering golf carts on Saturday May 16 from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM, at the City Police Station.

The Urban Revitalization Plan from Ball State "Façade" is on the website now, (cityofknox.net).

We were awarded a grant from CDBG thru OCRA. COVID 19 Response Program is to help local businesses.

Census 2020 has been extended online:

Online responses received: Statewide 57.6%, Countywide 50.3%, Knox 53%.

Governor Holcomb speaks again Friday May 1 about amending executive orders.

Car Show in Park is cancelled, everything in the month of May is cancelled.

Movies in the park are cancelled for the season! (pending social gathering order being increased).

Concerts in the park may be cancelled. (pending social gathering order being increased).

4th of July Fun Day in the park may be cancelled. (pending social gathering order being increased).

If the Fall Bash is allowed in September, fireworks and parade will happen then.

Everyone please practice safe health measures!!

RE: COUNCIL ITEMS

Council Member Bill Gustafson verified leaf pickup date May 1st - 8th.

Council Member Sherry Cowen asked about donation to Starke County Youth Club. A discussion followed.

Council Member Bill asked for update on the process with Common Collabs. According to Mayor Estok we made an offer and are waiting to hear back.

RE: VOUCHERS AND ALLOWANCES

The following properly filed vouchers (See Voucher Docket, Voucher #28849 - #28983) 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: _____
Cyndi Kidder, Clerk-Treasurer