

The Common Council of the City of Knox met in regular session Tuesday, February 8, 2022, in the Knox Community Center at 6:00 P.M. CST with the following members present: Mayor Dennis Estok; Clerk-Treasurer Cyndi Kidder; Council Members Jeff Berg, Bill Gustafson, Sherry Cowen, Don Kring and City Attorney Autumn Ferch. Ron Parker was absent.

There were no amendments to the agenda.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES REGULAR MEETING 1/25/22

Copies of the meeting minutes were mailed to the Council prior to the meeting. Council Member Don Kring made a motion to approve minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Jeff Berg and passed by a vote of Four (4) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: ORDINANCE #2022-OR3 – AMENDING SALARY ORDINANCE

Mayor DeNnis Estok presented the Ordinance to the Council. Jeff Berg made a motion to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 2022-OR3-Amending Salary Ordinance. Bill Gustafson second the motion and it passed by a vote of Four (4) ayes and No (0) nays.

Jeff Berg made a motion to suspend the rules and Bill Gustafson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of Four (4) ayes and No (0) nays.

The 2nd and final reading of Ordinance 2022-OR3-Amending Salary Ordinance was presented. Jeff Berg made a motion to approve the 2nd and final reading of Ordinance 2022-OR3, seconded by Sherry Cowen. The motion passed with a vote of Four (4) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: PLANNING ADMINISTRATOR – 2021 BUILDING REPORT

Ken Pfof, Building and Code Compliance Director presented to the Council his 2021 Building Report.

RE: PUBLIC HEARING - FIRE TERRITORY

Mayor Estok opened the Public Hearing. Fire Chief Ken Pfof presented a slide show explaining the importance of creating a Center Township Fire Territory. A lengthy discussion was held. Mayor Estok closed the Public Hearing.

RE: MAYOR'S REPORT

1. Kudos to our Street Department for doing a great job clearing the streets during the snowstorm.
2. Redevelopment Commission Tree Committee met Wednesday February 9th at 4:30 PM at City Hall to present tree options.
3. Knox Alumni Reunion Committee will meet Thursday February 10th at 4:30 PM at the Knox Community Center to discuss the reunion that is on July 1st.
4. Stellar Project – bids opened last night, up to \$200,000.00.

RE: COUNCIL ITEMS

Sherry Cowen asked the Mayor who was awarded the Moose demolition bid. Unofficially it has been awarded. Jeff Berg added to the Mayor's Report, the tree committee Mitchell Thompson, Phil Woolery, and himself. They will present the tree choices at the Knox Redevelopment Meeting.

RE: VOUCHERS AND ALLOWANCES

The following properly filed vouchers (See Voucher Docket, APV #31883 - #31944) 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