

The Common Council of the City of Knox met in regular session Tuesday, January 24, 2023, in the City Hall 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, Ron Parker and City Attorney Autumn Ferch. Don Kring was absent. There is no amendment to the agenda.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES REGULAR MEETING 1/10/23

Copies of the previous minutes were mailed to the Council prior to the meeting for their review. Council Member Bill Gustafson made a motion to approve minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Sherry Cowen and passed by a vote of Four (4) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT – SCEDE

The Executive Director of the Starke County Economic Development Foundation Lisa Dan updated the Council on the projects in progress and new projects on the horizon. Sherry Cowen made a motion to raise the City of Knox support to \$75,000.00 this year. Ron Parker seconded the motion, and it passed by a vote of Four (4) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: CLERK TREASURER’S REPORT

Clerk-Treasurer Cyndi Kidder informed the Council that her office has completed the end of the year 2022, and the Annual Financial Report is underway.

RE: MAYOR’S REPORT

1. Freeze warning ends today, January 24.
2. In the process of getting a study done for extending water and sewer for Advantage Dental and annexing in the property.

RE: COUNCIL ITEMS

Council person Sherry Cowen commented on 6 N Main Street, the new window’s look great, also, some streetlights on Main Street are out.

RE: CITIZEN’S COMMENT

Todd Keen with Keen Construction spoke to the Council about working on more affordable housing builds. Mr. Keen has been working with the USDA on low interest loans/mortgage programs for families.

RE: VOUCHERS AND ALLOWANCES

The following properly filed vouchers (See Voucher Docket, APV #33805 - #33869) 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