

The Common Council of the City of Knox met in regular session Tuesday, September 10, 2024, 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, Sherry Cowen, Bill Gustafson, and Jamie Gruszczynski. Don Kring was absent.

There were no amendments to the agenda.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES REGULAR MEETING 08/27/24

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

RE: PUBLIC HEARING: ORDINANCE 2024-OR6 – 2025 BUDGET – 1ST READING

Mayor Estok opened the Public Hearing. No questions or comments were made. Mayor Estok closed the Public Hearing. A motion was made by Bill Gustafson approving the 1st reading of Ordinance #2024-OR6. The motion was seconded by Jeff Berg and passed by a vote of Four (4) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: MAYOR'S REPORT

1. The Sewer Department needs a new Vac Truck. The vehicle quote is \$562,610.00. We are using the Indiana Bond Bank for Funding; the Crossroads Bank has approved our funding of \$362,610.00 at 4.528%. The Vac Truck will be built to our needs and will be ready in May 2025. A down payment of \$200,000.00 will be paid out of the ARP Fund.
2. A new will for the City Water System is also needed currently. Peerless Midwest will be doing the new well at a cost of \$179,680.00. The project will start in late 2024 and be paid for out of the ARP Fund.
3. Currently the Police Department is down two officers. A new officer was just hired, his name is Joe West.
4. Looking for a new crossing guard, it's 45 minutes in the morning and in the afternoon. It pays \$33.67 a day.
5. The Fall Bash went very well. Jolly Roger sounds better and better each time they perform. The band Blammo was great, it took three years to get them here but well worth it!

RE: COUNCIL ITEMS

Bill Gustafson asked where the band Blammo is from? Mayor Estok informed the Council that they are from the South Bend/ Mishawaka area.

RE: VOUCHERS AND ALLOWANCES

The following properly filed vouchers (See Voucher Docket, APV #36717 - #36784) 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