

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
CITY OF ATTICA**

**7-13-2020**

The Common Council for the City of Attica met on July 13th, 2020, at 6:00 P.M.

Those present at the meeting were: Council Members; Mr. Larry Grant, Mrs. Kaylie Carnahan, Mrs. Valarie Maus, Mrs. Patricia Hargan and Mr. Scott Voorhees. Also, present were: Attorney Jud Barce, Mayor Duane Roderick, and Clerk-Treasurer Joanne Broadwater.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Grant made a motion to approve the minutes for the June 8th, 2020 Council Meeting Maus seconded, all were in favor and the motion passed.

**Public Hearing for the Cities Water Planning Grant:**

Kristy Jerrell Grant Administrator, and Eric Smith of HWC Engineering firm presented their plan findings for the OCRA funded Water Planning Grant.

See separate minutes for this presentation provided by Kristy Jerrell.

Kristy Jerrell read the local resolution. So this is the city of Attica IN local resolution approving the water planning study resolution #2020 - 0713 where is the city of Attica had identified adequate reason to analyze water issues within the city of Attica in a water planning study, planning grant. The City of Attica has hired HWC engineering to define and describe issues, advise us of our options and make recommendations to address water issues soon. Whereas the City of Attica has received federal Community Development block grant dollars from OCRA to fund the study and has contributed \$5000 as a local match for this project and the city of Attica has reviewed the process and completed study thoroughly and is satisfied with the services performed, information contained therein, and methodology applied. Whereas the city of Attica will be receiving 10 copies of this document for their records and will keep them on file in the city offices for future reference. Be it resolved that the water planning study planning grid document was reviewed and then approved by OCRA on April 28, 2020 and now the final document is hereby being presented for approval by the city of Attica. Adopted by City Council this 13<sup>th</sup> day of July 2020.

Hargan made a motion to approve, Maus seconded, Roderick called for a vote, all were in favor by a show of hands, motion passed.

**CITIZENS PETITIONS:**

Teal Briles approached the council about annexing their subdivision road. Teal stated the city uses this road to access the city parks and there is a lot of foot traffic to access the trails. The road is within city limits. Teal would like the city to take over maintenance of the road.

Council member grant stated the subdivision was not established correctly in the beginning; the developer did not build the proper infrastructure.

There was further discussion about this issue. Atty Barce stated more research needs to be done to determine the steps necessary for the city to take over maintenance of this road.

This was tabled until the next council meeting.

Brian Duncan asked the city to consider changing the signs at the corner of McDonald and Monroe Streets from a yield on Monroe to a stop. The intersection does not have a good line of sight for traffic on McDonald street and is accident prone.

Ryan Kilgore also spoke up confirming the dangerous intersection. Mr. Kilgore also asked that semi-trucks be stopped from using Monroe St. he fears for his children's safety.

Police Chief Durnil stated he agreed that Monroe St, should be changed to a stop vs a yield sign, however, Monroe St. is used by semi-trucks coming for the city sewer plant which is located on Monroe St. as well as the lumber yard, Monroe St is a straight shot to the highway for them.

Maus made a motion to change the yield sign to a stop sign at the corner of McDonald and Monroe Streets. Voorhees seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion passed.

Roderick asked if Eric Swank could look at the traffic flow of semi-trucks on Monroe St. and report back.

Adam Bonebrake David Dr. asked about building permits, he has a neighbor at 110 David Dr. who has working on a building for 9 months and the project is not complete, he feels the project is taking too long. Roderick stated fines are to be assessed if a project takes longer then 180 days. Roderick stated the issue would be addressed.

Sandy Shonkwiler spoke up regarding properties that she has spoke up about in the past that have not been cleaned up yet. Roderick stated we are working on it and the city will make sure they are cleaned up.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**NONE**

## **DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

### **Eric Swank:**

Eric asked Atty Barce if any additional notice needs to be given after the first notice of yard clean up. Barce stated an additional "continuing violation notice" must be issued unless the language regarding a continuation violation notice is contained in the first notice.

Swank brought up that our city insurance company not will to insure our summer help if they have not held a drivers license for 3 years. Barce stated he would check with an insurance agent he knows regarding this for guidance.

### **Chief Durnil:**

Durnil stated he sent out 10 letters regarding junk on properties and the 10 days are almost up.

Updated the council on the officers that are currently attending the police academy and the timeline for future attendance.

Chief updated the council on the vehicle lease program and delivery of the vehicles. Chief stated a motor went out on another police vehicle and he is waiting on the estimate to repair.

Starting in August officer Askren will return as the SRO.

### **Chief Little:**

Was not present.

### **Mr. Pycke:**

Reported that he spoke to the property owner at 902 E. Main St., who gave him a timeline of 10 months to complete the requested repairs to his unsafe building. An unsafe building order has never been issued, Barce stated the UBO needs to be issued to start the process.

### **Rod Bannon:**

Reported that there is a lot of economic development interest but noting concrete. Bannon asked if the city has readdressed the definition of a "zone" in the cities zoning code? Bannon thinks these codes need to be reevaluated to make sure that the city code meets the needs for today's use. Bannon stated the zoning code is not clear in a lot of instances.

Barce stated zoning code review is a planning commission function. Barce explained the process necessary for this to happen. Roderick stated both the council and the planning commission need to look at the city's codes.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Roderick brought up the discussion regarding utilities, Ingrid Barce stated she emailed the ordinance regarding utility changes to all council members for review, the council felt it should be tabled until the August meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None

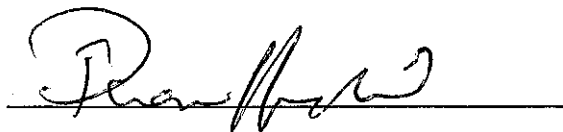
**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

None

**ADJORNMENT:**

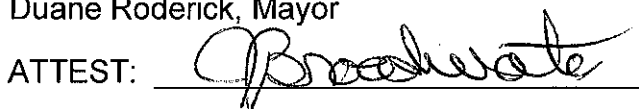
Roderick stated he had no further business and requested a motion to adjourn. The next Council meeting will be held Monday, August 10th, 2020 at 6:00pm.

Hargan made the motion to adjourn, Grant 2nded, all were in favor motion passed. Meeting Adjourned.



Duane Roderick, Mayor

ATTEST:



Joanne Broadwater, Clerk-Treasurer