

The City of Dyer Board of Mayor and Alderpersons met in regular session, Monday, April 26, 2021, at 7:03 PM. Those present were Mayor Ray Carroll, Alderpersons Tom Mikkelsen, Fred Ivie, Marty Graves, Michael Barron, Jennifer Hughey, and Craig Blackburn. The City Attorney was present.

Motion made by Jennifer Hughey, seconded by Marty Graves to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2021 regular meeting. Motion carried with Mikkelsen, Ivie, Graves, Barron, and Hughey voting aye; Craig Blackburn abstained.

#### **Visitors**

Luke Stafford from Dyer Scout Troop 243 asked the board for permission to erect an information board at the David Robinson Recreation Park. The display will hold information about the City of Dyer and park information. It will be 6 x 4 with a lockable plexiglass cover. The display will be secured by 6 x 6 posts, and will stand approximately 8 feet tall. There will be a roof. Motion made by Marty Graves, seconded by Craig Blackburn to approve placement of the display near the gazebo / pavilion at the David Robinson Recreation Park. Motion carried with all ayes.

Mayor Carroll welcomed Jake Rogers from Congressman David Kustoff's office.

#### **Department Reports**

Dyer Fire Chief Brandon Rudd asked the board to approve the resignations of David Holley, Wheeler Richards, and Carson King from the Dyer Fire Department. Motion made by Craig Blackburn, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to accept the resignations. Motion carried with all ayes.

Mayor Carroll asked the board to approve hiring Frank La Corte as a part-time worker in the water and sewer department to assist with mandatory testing. Motion made by Fred Ivie, seconded by Tom Mikkelsen to hire Frank La Corte as a part-time worker in the water and sewer department at \$13.50 per hour. The board discussed the pay rate, with Alderman Barron asserting that the pay rate was too high. Street supervisor Dale Carroll said some members of his department had been assisting in testing for \$12.50 per hour. Mayor Carroll pointed out that La Corte was being hired without the benefits that full-time employees received. The board discussed the issue at length, and Mr. La Corte provided some clarity on his experience as an engineer including in water testing and compliance. The motion to hire La Corte at \$13.50 per hour carried with Mikkelsen, Hughey, and Ivie voting aye; Barron, Graves and Blackburn voted no; the board being evenly divided, Mayor Carroll voted aye.

#### **Unfinished Business**

Alderman Graves asked about on-street parking in certain neighborhoods; some streets have cars parked on both sides, even overnight. Mayor Carroll suggested that Police Committee Chair Barron speak to Chief Lindsey about anything that can be done.

Alderman Ivie asked if the City is collecting fees for tournaments at the David Robinson Recreation Park. The City Recorder said that fees were being collected, but that no tournaments had been scheduled recently. Street Supervisor Dale Carroll clarified that there had been a group of people practicing at the park on the previous weekend, but there was no tournament.

#### **New Business**

Motion made by Marty Graves, seconded by Craig Blackburn to pass on its first reading Ordinance 2021-266, An Ordinance to Adopt the 2018 Editions of the International Building Code, International Residential Code, International Plumbing, Mechanical, and Fire Code. This ordinance is presented on request of the building inspector in order to remain compliant with the State. Motion carried with all ayes.

Alderman Mikkelsen expressed concern about trailers in town and whether they comply with the building code and zoning ordinances. The City Recorder said that manufactured or modular homes are not considered trailers as referenced in the City of Dyer Zoning Ordinance, and that the appropriate permits had been issued for recent

trailers. The City Attorney said that similar discussion had occurred in a neighboring town and that "double wides", properly installed are considered homes.

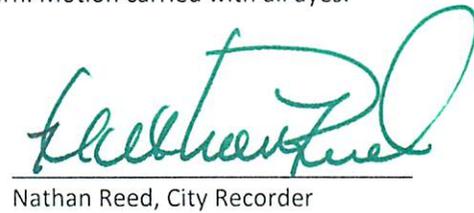
Motion made by Craig Blackburn, seconded by Fred Ivie to approve purchase order A-5249 to Hawkins, Inc. for \$1,578.62 for Water & Wastewater Chemicals. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Craig Blackburn, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to pay the accounts of April 26, 2021. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Jennifer Hughey, seconded by Marty Graves to adjourn. Motion carried with all ayes.



Raymond E. Carroll, Mayor



Nathan Reed, City Recorder