

The Common Council of the City of Knox met in regular session Tuesday, April 8, 2025, in the Knox 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, Donald Kring, Jamie Gruszczynski, and City Attorney Justin Schramm.

There were no amendments to the agenda.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING 3/25/25

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 Don Kring and passed by a vote of Five (5) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: RECOMMENDATION FROM PLAN COMMISSION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE #2025-OR3 –
DISCLAIMING AND PROHIBITING RELIANCE PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF PERMIT

Mayor Estok presented Ordinance #2025-OR3 to the Council for the 1st reading. Jeff Berg made a motion approving the 1st reading of Ordinance #2025-OR3. The motion was seconded by Bill Gustafson and passed by a vote of Five (5) ayes and No (0) nays.

Sherry Cowen made a motion to suspend the rules and have a 2nd and adoption vote on Ordinance #2025-OR3. The motion was seconded by Jeff Berg and passed by a vote of Five (5) ayes and No (0) nays.

Jeff Berg made a motion to approve Ordinance#2025-OR3 on the 2nd reading and adoption. The motion was seconded by Jaime Gruszczynski and passed by a vote of Five (5) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: JW HICKS – PETITION TO VACATE PART OF INDIAN RIDGE DRIVE

Mayor Estok presented the petition to the Council for their review, and a public hearing must be held. Bill Gustafson made a motion approving a Public Hearing to be held. The motion was seconded by Jeff Berg and passed by a vote of Five (5) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: MAYOR'S REPORT

1. A copy of the 2024 TIF Report was presented to each Council person.
2. Dumpster Days will be April 26th and 27th at the Sewer Plant. Saturday 8AM -5PM and Sunday 11AM-5PM.

RE: CITIZENS COMMENTS

Bryce Burns and Bradly LaRowe came before the Council to ask the Council and Mayor to re-visit an older Ordinance not allowing chickens in the City limits. They presented a petition to the Council with almost 400 signatures, along discussion was held.

Mayor Estok suggested a survey to be conducted for the opinions of the City residents. Don Kring made a motion to do the survey as the 1st step. The motion was seconded by Sherry Cowen and passed with a vote of Five (5) ayes and No (0) nays.

Jim Brown came before the Mayor and Council with questions concerning the new subdivision Sunnyside Estates. Mr. Brown's concerns included covenants, ordinances, new home values, ETA of builds and a committee to help with the writing of new covenants.

RE: VOUCHERS AND ALLOWANCES

The following properly filed vouchers (See Voucher Docket, APV #37719 - #37770) 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