

The Common Council of the City of Knox met in regular session Tuesday November 26, 2019 in the Knox City Hall at 7:00 PM CST with the following members present: Mayor, Dennis Estok; Clerk-Treasurer, Jeff Houston; Councilmembers, Ron Parker, Don Kring, Jeff Berg, Bill Gustafson, and City Attorney, Autumn Ferch. Councilmember Bertha Blue was absent.

There were no amendments to the agenda.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the previous meeting were mailed to the Councilmembers prior to the meeting for their review. Don Kring made a motion seconded by Jeff Berg to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed with Four (4) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: 2020 COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Included in the Council's packets was a list of the 2020 Council Meeting Schedule. Jeff Berg made a motion, seconded by Bill Gustafson to approve the 2020 Council meeting schedule as presented. Motion passed with Four (4) ayes and No (0) nays.

2020 City Council Meetings  
Place: Knox City Hall  
Time: 6:45 PM Meeting Begins  
\*Regular meetings held: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month\*

Tuesday, January 14, 28, February 11, 25, March 10, 24, April 14, 28, May 12, 26, June 9, 23,  
July 14, 28, August 11, 25, September 8, 22, October 13, 27, November 10, 24, December 8, 22

RE: RESOLUTION 2019-RE18 TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Clerk-Treasurer, Jeff Houston presented Resolution 2019-RE18 Transfer of Funds to the Council. Jeff Berg made a motion, seconded by Bill Gustafson to approve the Resolution.

RESOLUTION #2019-RE18  
Transfer Funds  
November 26, 2019

WHEREAS; the Clerk-Treasurer has advised the Common Council a Transfer of Funds is now required in the General and Park Capital Improvement Fund.

BE IT RESOLVED; by the Common Council of the City of Knox that the Clerk-Treasurer is hereby allowed and directed to make the following Transfer of Funds:

GENERAL FUND:

City Judge	583.00 from 101004332-Postage, Travel, Phone 400.00 from 101004336-Repairs and Maintenance 364.00 from 101004339-Bonds 103.00 from 101004444-Equipment 1,450.00 to 101004331-Pauper Attorney
Police Department	748.92 from 101005116-Patrolman 7,674.00 from 101005138-IN77PP City Share 1,000.00 from 101005223-K9 Unit 1,000.00 from 101005314-Drug Unit 500.00 from 101005333-Buy Money 888.00 from 101005336-Radio Repair 2,949.17 from 101005337-Repair Equipment 87.00 from 101005338-Training Ammo 258.00 to 101005114-Corporal 4,300.00 to 101005119-Patrolman 6,500.00 to 101005120-Overtime 3,189.09 to 101005222-Gas, Tires, Other Garage 600.00 to 101005332-Postage, Travel, Phone
Fire Department	500.00 to 101006444-Personal Protection Equipment 500.00 to 101006221-Office Supplies
Plan Commission	300.00 from 101008332-Postage, Travel, Phone 300.00 to 101008118-Planning Administrator
City Hall	939.50 from 101013340-Repairs and Maintenance 738.50 to 101013335-Utilities 201.00 to 101013339-Custodian

MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY:

MVH	6,286.00 from 201009233-Bituminous Material 1,974.00 to 201009111-Superintendent 2,893.00 to 201009112-Assistant Superintendent 1,419.00 to 201009113-Laborer #1
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MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY RESTRICTED:

MVHRE	2,244.24 from 203009112-Assistant Superintendent 2,244.24 to 20309228-Signs
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## PARK AND RECREATION:

PR                    1,213.17 from 216010112-Assistant Superintendent  
                          1,000.00 to 216010111-Superintendent  
                          200.00 to 216010113-Laborer #1  
                          13.17 to 216010131-Fica City Share

## GATEWAY DEPOT OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE:

GDOM                400.00 from 238001442-Building Improvement  
                          400.00 to 238001335-Utilities

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 Dennis Estok, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Jeffery J. Houston, Clerk-Treasurer

RE: CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT

Clerk-Treasurer Houston reported that his office has codified 9 new Ordinances. The bond sale was held for the sewer bonds. We received an A- rating which was a good rating. The interest rate came out to 2.65%. The successful bidder has already deposited a good faith amount of \$25,450.00 that was put into sewer bond and interest.

The City received its budget order (1782 Notice) for the year 2020. The budget was approved as submitted. It came in \$289.00 below the maximum levy.

RE: MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Estok reminded the Council that the City rebounded the sewer bonds for \$2,845,000.00 by paying off the old 2009 bonds, it also by helped us save about \$150,000.00. Also, by receiving an A- rating the interest rate came in lower, saving about \$70,000.00 and insuring that no new sewer rate increase is needed.

The grant administrator for the rehab housing project contacted 14 contractors to bid on the work, but no one showed up for the pre-bid meeting. We will re-bid that out again in mid-December. He thinks he has two contractors that will bid next time.

The Mayor said the new message board has been erected on the south end of town. The electric still needs to be run. He again thanked Richard Mast for his donation.

The Peppermint Parade is December 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:30.

We received a release of funds for the Wastewater Treatment Project. A pre-construction meeting will be December 5<sup>th</sup>. After that, work can begin.

The Holiday schedule for 2020 will be voted on at the next Board of Works meeting and then be passed at the next Council meeting.

RE: COUNCIL ITEMS

Councilman Don Kring told the Mayor that the Police Detectives Office is in very bad condition. It needs repaired before winter.

RE: CITIZEN COMMENTS

City Attorney Autumn Ferch noted that Walmart donated 49 shrubs to the City. They have been planted in Wythogan and Serenity Parks.

RE: VOUCHERS AND ALLOWANCES

The following properly filed vouchers (see Voucher Docket, Voucher #28165 - #28229 inclusive) were presented and approved.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time the meeting upon motion was duly adjourned.

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 Dennis Estok, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Jeffery J. Houston, Clerk-Treasurer