

RDC – November 9, 2017

The Beech Grove RDC met at City Hall on Thursday, November 9. The meeting got underway at 7:08 pm (1908 hours). Members present included President Donald Webb, Vice President Ron Mote, Secretary Cathy Chappell and Jay Oswalt.

First order of business was the minutes from the October meeting. Cathy Chappell made a motion to accept the minutes and seconded by Ron Mote. The minutes were accepted.

Outstanding bills totaled \$5,375.66. Accounts payable included: the sewer bill, CrossRoads Engineers, Borgmann Enterprises, Peters Consultants and Lewis & Kappes. A motion was made by member Jay Oswalt to approved the payments and seconded by Ron Mote. The motion carried.

Mayor Buckley updated the RDC members on community projects. St. Francis is going well, all buildings that were scheduled to be taken down have been demolished. Three underground tanks have been removed and 3 tests have been performed regarding fuel oil. The results indicate the threshold falls within the guidelines of residential use.

The city council approved the RDC budget for 2018. Today, November 9, work started on North Bend Road regarding a drainage issue. A meeting will soon take place to discuss drainage issues on Mann Drive, Churchman Avenue and Killian Drive.

On November 22, the city will be applying for funds for Phase 2 of the Greenway Project, the Thompson Road sidewalks and the total reconstruction of Elm Street.

Power and Light made a proposal regarding changing street lights to all LED. The total amount will cost \$100,000.00. In time, it will pay for itself. The city will save between \$25,000 and \$30,000 per year in electrical expenses.

INDOT wants to move up the date for the roundabout on Arlington Avenue to January 2019.

A pastry shop will be opening on Main Street and the owner hopes to be up and running sometime in December. The microbrewery will be up and running soon, the owner hopes by the end of the year. Equipment will be delivered soon.

Mayor Buckley recently met with the people running the car lot on Emerson. The mayor told them to abide by the laws, or the police will be contacted. The mayor fought for 4 months to stop the car lot from going in south of Brown's Car Repair. The city of Indianapolis granted the company a curb cut so BG cannot stop the car dealership from going in.

The owners of the building, which formerly was the BG Meat Market, have hired a contractor to submit the proper paperwork for approval of a bar and grill. Had they followed the rules, they would probably be open for business.

Secretary Cathy Chappell asked the mayor about future meetings having to do with the greenway trail. Mayor Buckley said those meetings are required by INDOT. Every three or four months' meetings are required. One will be scheduled soon.

Member Jay Oswalt will be moving to Greenwood and will be giving up his position on the RDC. He will be replaced by someone selected by the city council. Mayor Buckley will be replacing Ed Bell.

Cathy also mentioned she will be meeting with Scott Harris, a former president of the Speedway RDC. This meeting will be about composing a form letter for persons approaching the RDC about grant money.

Cathy Chappell made a motion to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Ron Mote. The motion carried. The meeting was over at 7:37pm (1937 hours).

There will be no RDC meeting in December 2017. The next meeting will be January 11, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Chappell, Secretary