## Municipal Services, Parks & Recreation Meeting

January 7, 2019

Members present: Mr. Schaber, Mr. Landon, Mr. Norris

With a quorum present, Mr. Schaber called the meeting to order at 7:52 PM.

#### **New Business:**

# Item 1: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF THE DELAWARE-KNOX-MARION-MORROW JOINT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT'S AMENDED DRAFT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Full plan is available online and committee provided summary. Mayor Schertzer explained that they were able to negotiate \$250,000 (over 5-year period) in grant monies to the political subdivisions within the solid waste district plan. The city is preparing an application to the EPA by 02/01/2019, hoping to use DKMM monies as a match. Even waiting until the 01/22 committee meeting, this ordinance is on schedule for three readings and pass on 02/26/2019 to meet DKMM timeline of 03/11.

Committee agreed to review plan online and address topic at 01/15/2019 committee meeting. They want to confirm that grant language was added to plan pursuant to previous discussions.

With no other business to be heard, the meeting was adjourned at 7:57 PM.

	Chairman Schaber
Clerk of Council	

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Members present: Mr. Schaber, chairperson, Mr. Norris.

Members absent: Mr. Landon

With a quorum present, Mr. Schaber called the meeting to order at 7PM.

Mr. Norris made a motion to approve the minutes from 04/02/2018; Mr. Schaber 2nd; Roll call: Ayes – Mr. Schaber, Mr. Norris; Nays – none. (2-0)

#### **New Business:**

Item 1: ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO CONDUCT A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) PROCESS FOR THE PROCESSING OF CURBSIDE RECYCLABLES IN THE CITY OF MARION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (MAYOR SCHERTZER)

Engineer Bischoff explained that the local business that accepts city recycling has notified the city that they would cease accepting material at the end of the year. They are looking for the city to pay for processing. As an option, they would like to put out an RFP to get a better/no cost option to take recycling. At this point, the city would still do collections and they are looking for someone to take the product.

Mayor Schertzer explained that they are exploring the market. The city RFP is similar to the current RFP put out by the City of Delaware. DKMM would like to know our intentions by mid-October.

Mr. Daniels stated that there are annual expenditures in excess of \$300,000 for processing recyclables (including these expected new fees). He asked if the city was willing to pay these kinds of costs to divert less than 6% of our waste from landfill. There are not enough people participating in this program to make it financially viable or worthwhile. The city should consider whether there are other solid waste, environmental programs that could be offered for that cost. Maybe the way the city has recycled has run its course. The city needs to look outside the box. It is not the city's responsibility to provide recycling to anyone. Anyone who wants to recycle can still recycle at the expense of DKMM, which is dually tasked by the EPA to do that.

Mr. Schaber clarified that an RFP does not cost anything to explore options.

Mr. Norris made a motion to recommend to council; Mr. Schaber 2<sup>nd</sup>; Roll call: Ayes – Mr. Schaber, Mr. Norris; Nays – none.

Legislation recommended to council (2-0)

### **Other Business:**

#### Item 1: UPDATE ON CDBG GRANT

Mayor Schertzer updated the committee on the CDBG Critical Infrastructure grant application for the fire house. The city did not get approved in the first rounds, however it was noted that they missed providing certain information. In discussing with Regional Planning, it was found that the information was actually provided. The city disagrees with the decision. There is another opportunity to apply for the same grant by 11/16/2018. Regional Planning will seek to submit

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application and to assure that any problems in submitting documents are resolved. January 2019 is the expected decision date for that grant.

Currently, there is a patch pending and they are working with Smithberger Engineering to come up with a fix for the existing structural problem.

With no other business to be heard, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

	Chairman Schaber
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