**Minutes**
**Committee of the Whole City Council Meeting**
**November 22, 2021**

**CALL TO ORDER—ROLL CALL**

The City Council Committee of the Whole of the City of Villa Grove met in regular session on **Monday, November 22, 2021,** in Council Chambers.  Mayor Eversole-Gunter called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.  Roll call found the following members present: Aldermen Johnson, Pangburn, Cheely, Hooker.  Aldermen Blaney and Garrett were absent.  City Administrator Athey, Clerk Osborne, Public Works Director Lake were also present. Council followed all COVID 19 protocols for social distancing.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE -** The Mayor stood and led all attendees in The Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS -** no comments were made.

**BUSINESS**

1. **Hiring of new administrative assistant position -** City Administrator Athey introduced discussion of hiring an administrative assistant to the City Administrator.  There is a person who is qualified and interested.  This person would be back up to City Administrator for finances and HR.  It would be a contract position.  Consensus was given to proceed with the hiring.
2. **Tentative 2021 Tax Levy amount -** The proposed tax levy amount is $326, 539.77.
3. **Community Center status -** Discussion ensued about the proposed changes to the community center presented by the architect that shows a savings of close to $500k.  Council gave a consensus to proceed.
4. **Other items brought before the Council:**  Discussion was given as to what is needed to be completed at McCoy before winter to ensure all piping is covered and won't freeze, as well as any other issues for Cross to complete.  Volunteer of the Year determination will be discussed in December meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**-With no further business, Alderman Hooker motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Alderman Cheely seconded the motion.  Roll Call: Johnson, yea, Cheely, yea, Pangburn, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

*Michelle L. Osborne*

Michelle L. Osborne, City Clerk

XC: Mayor and City Council; Building Inspector; Department Heads; File