Common Council

**City of Lawrence**

**December 19, 2018**

**Regular Meeting**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Council Members Lisa Chavis, Tom Shevlot, William Tyrrell Giles, Bob Jones, Becky Parker, Matt Hall and Rick Wells were present

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk Kathleen Walton and Attorney Christina Bruno (Bose McKinney & Evans LLP)

STAFF PRESENT: Corporation Counsel Johnson, Police Chief Hofmann and Deputy Fire Chief Hardie were present.

Council President Lisa Chavis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and announced a quorum was present.

COMMENTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS: Councilor Wells expressed appreciation to the first responders who arrived on the scene of the Benjamin Court fire on Monday, December 17, 2018. They battled the fire for several hours. He noted the outcome could have been much worse if not for the performance of the first responders. He said, “we have the best and they shined.” Councilor Jones echoed the sentiments of Councilor Wells comments about the performance of the public safety professionals. He went on to remind everyone that the Lawrence Township Trustees Office is working with those senior citizens who were affected by the fire. He called for prayers for all affected.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS: Councilor Jones moved to approve Payroll Claims for $876,392.08 [November 30, 2018 payroll] and Invoices [for vendors] as presented today [for $959,476.42]. The motion was seconded by Councilor Parker. Following discussion, by a show of hands, the motion to approve the vouchers carried by a unanimous vote of the Council.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned, at 6:34 p.m., by the unanimous vote of the Council.

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Lisa Chavis. President Kathleen A. Walton, Clerk