

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOBART  
LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA  
April 19, 2023**

**Call to Order:** Mayor Snedecor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance, and moment of silence. The meeting was held with the building open to the public and a call-in number for remote public participation.

**Roll Call:** The following members were present in person: Mr. Kopil, Mr. Huddlestun, Mr. Brooks, Mr. Wells, Mr. Claussen and Mr. Waldrop. Absent: Mr. Vinzant. Also present: Clerk-Treasurer Longer and City Attorney McCarthy.

**Reading of the Minutes:** Motion by Mr. Claussen, seconded by Mr. Wells and Mr. Kopil, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 5, 2023 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

**Correspondence:** Mr. Huddlestun requested the Hobart Sanitary Board amend their policy of accepting pool fill adjustments to include April of each year as there are years where the weather would allow pool filling before May 1st. Mr. Fulton, HSD President, stated he would request this change at the next HSD Board meeting.

Mr. Kopil thanked Public Works for spending some time on Saturday cleaning up the area across from Sam's Club and along 49<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**Committee Reports:** There were no Committee Reports.

**Approval of Agenda:** Mr. Snedecor stated there has been a request to add Ordinance 2023-07 regarding amending the salary ordinance to add a new position in the Wastewater and Stormwater Departments. Motion by Mr. Kopil, seconded by Mr. Wells, to approve the agenda with the addition. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

**Unfinished Business:**

**Ordinance 2023-06: (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)** An Ordinance Providing that the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Hobart be Amended by Amending the Preliminary Plan for Certain Parcels of Real Estate in an established PUD Zoning Classification: St. Mary Medical Center Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility, 320 W. 61<sup>st</sup> Ave., 3.50 acres: The second reading of the Ordinance was held. Motion by Mr. Wells, seconded by Mr. Brooks, to adopt Ordinance 2023-06 as presented. Roll Call Vote taken. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

**New Business:**

**Ordinance 2023-07:** An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2022-23, adding a position to the Wastewater and Stormwater Departments: The Ordinance was read. Motion to approve Ordinance 2023-07 on first reading by Mr. Huddlestun, seconded by Mr. Brooks. Roll Call Vote taken. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

Motion by Mr. Kopil, seconded by Mr. Claussen, to suspend the rules, declare an emergency and proceed with the second reading of the Ordinance this evening. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

**Ordinance 2023-07: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2022-23, adding a position to the Wastewater and Stormwater Departments:** The second reading of the Ordinance was held. Motion by Mr. Claussen, seconded by Mr. Huddleston, to adopt Ordinance 2023-07 as presented. Roll Call Vote taken. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

**Announcements:** Mr. Snedecor noted that the Public Comment Session for the 2040 Comprehensive Plan is tomorrow night, April 20<sup>th</sup>, from 5-7PM in the Council Chambers. The public is invited and encouraged to attend to discuss the City's future plans.

Mr. Snedecor stated that the bill the City had been working on for some relief with the tax assessment issues has passed the Senate and is now being considered by the House. The legislative session will conclude at the end of April so we will have a final decision soon.

City Attorney McCarthy stated the Council will be holding an Executive Session on Wednesday, May 3, 2023 at 5:30PM in the Mayor's office to discuss pending litigation.

Bob Fulton, Assistant to the Mayor, stated Lake County has been included in the disaster declaration from the storms that came through a week ago and asked that anyone who sustained any damage please contact their insurance company and provide information to Indiana211 to be included in consideration for disaster relief.

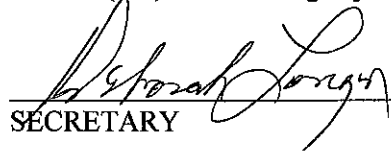
Mr. Snedecor stated that City Clean-up is scheduled for Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9-11AM. Volunteers should report to Festival Park and they will be given assigned areas throughout the City. He also noted that various Department Heads will do a clean-up on Friday morning from 8:30-11:30AM and the Council members are welcome to join in by meeting at City Hall at 8:30AM.

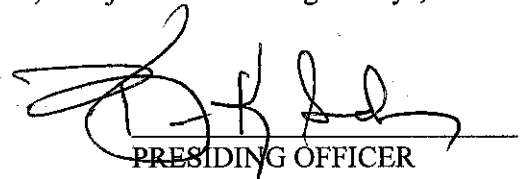
Mr. Kopil announced the Postal Carriers will be holding their annual Food Drive on Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> and encouraged the residents to participate by leaving food in bags by their mailboxes.

Mr. Snedecor stated there is a Ribbon-Cutting scheduled for Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 10AM at Chipotle's new location on the N side of US 30.

Mr. Snedecor asked if anyone would like to address the Council and there was no additional response.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Mr. Claussen, seconded by Mr. Wells, to adjourn the meeting. All aye, motion carried. (6-0) The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

  
SECRETARY

  
PRESIDING OFFICER