

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOBART
LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA
June 19, 2019**

Call to Order: Mayor Snedecor called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Roll Call: The following members were present: Mr. Herzog, Mr. Huddlestun, Mr. Vinzant, Mr. Brezik, and Mr. Claussen. Also present: Mayor Snedecor and Clerk-Treasurer Longer. Absent: Mr. Maggio and Mr. Waldrop

Reading of the Minutes: Motion by Mr. Brezik, seconded by Mr. Herzog, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 5, 2019 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (5-0)

Correspondence: Mr. Vinzant mentioned 2 significant residential neighborhoods have passed through the Plan Commission and onto the Board of Works. Eagle Creek at Arizona and 61st Ave. and Cressmoor at Wisconsin St. and 37th Ave. will bring about 300 new homes to our community, which is very exciting. Mr. Brezik said that the EDC met on Monday and gave a positive recommendation to the Cressmoor subdivision.

Committee Reports: There were no committee reports.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Mr. Vinzant, seconded by Mr. Brezik, to approve the agenda as presented. All aye, motion carried. (5-0)

Mr. Waldrop arrives.

Unfinished Business: There was no Unfinished Business.

New Business:

Request for Use Variance: to allow to continue the operation of a not for profit philanthropic animal sanctuary at 5200 Liverpool Rd. located approx. ½ mile southwest from the Liverpool Rd. & 49th Ave. intersection, sec. 154.044 (G), zoned R-2, +/- 30 acres Erin Yanz, owner; Marilyn Reidy, Board **Chairman:** The owner was not present. This item received a favorable recommendation from the BZA and must include the business plan and the entity is to continue as a non-profit organization. The Business Plan was reviewed by the BZA. Motion by Mr. Vinzant, seconded by Mr. Brezik, to approve the request for use variance as presented with business plan in place. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

Request for Use Variance: to permit a cabinetry shop at 813 W. Old Ridge Rd., located approx. 100 feet south west from the Ridge Rd. & Wisconsin St. intersection, Sec. 154.172, zoned B-3, 0.486 acres Bill McCann and Christina Whiteside: The owner was not present. This item received a favorable recommendation from the BZA with no conditions. Motion by Mr. Claussen, seconded by Mr. Herzog, to approve the request for use variance as presented. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

Resolution 2019-14: A Resolution Authorizing Temporary Transfers Between Funds for Cash Flow Purposes: The Resolution was read. Motion by Mr. Brezik, seconded by Mr. Herzog and Mr. Vinzant, to approve Resolution 2019-14 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

Resolution 2019-15: Petition to Appeal for an Increase above the Maximum Levy: The Resolution was read. Motion by Mr. Brezik, seconded by Mr. Waldrop, to approve Resolution 2019-15 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

Ordinance 2019-07: An Ordinance Transferring Appropriation Within the 2019 Budget of the General Fund: Police, Fire and Clerk-Treasurer's Departments in the City of Hobart, Lake County, Indiana: The Ordinance was read. Motion by Mr. Vinzant, seconded by Mr. Herzog, to approve Ordinance 2019-07 at first reading as presented. Roll call vote taken. All aye, motion carried (6-0)

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

Ordinance 2019-07: An Ordinance Transferring Appropriation Within the 2019 Budget of the General Fund: Police, Fire and Clerk-Treasurer's Department in the City of Hobart, Lake County, Indiana: The second reading of the Ordinance was held. Motion by Mr. Vinzant, seconded by Mr. Brezik, to adopt Ordinance 2019-07 as presented. Roll call vote taken. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

Ordinance 2019-08: An Ordinance to Amend the City of Hobart Municipal Code Concerning Prevention of Contractor Tax Fraud and the Issuance and Retention of Building Permits: The Ordinance was read. Mayor Snedecor introduced Mr. Palmateer, Business Manager NWI Trades Council who thanked the Council and the City of Hobart for this Ordinance. Mayor Snedecor thanked all who helped put this together. Mr. Huddleston noted the Council may consider stronger language in the future. Motion by Mr. Vinzant, seconded by Mr. Herzog, to approve Ordinance 2019-08 at first reading as presented. Roll call vote taken. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

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

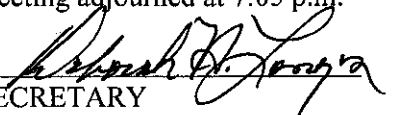
Ordinance 2019-08: An Ordinance to Amend the City of Hobart Municipal Code Concerning Prevention of Contractor Tax Fraud and the Issuance and Retention of Building Permits: The second reading of the Ordinance was held. Motion by Mr. Vinzant, seconded by Mr. Herzog, to adopt Ordinance 2019-08 as presented. Roll call vote taken. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

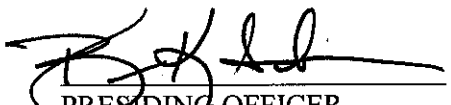
Announcements: Mr. Brezik mentioned that when the HSD met a couple of weeks ago there were concerns about the Sump Pump Discharge Ordinance which will need to be discussed at the next Ordinance Committee meeting.

Kathryn Hart, 2491 S. Hanson Blvd. and John Motley, 2511 S. Hanson Blvd. addressed the Council about drainage problems in the Hillman Heights neighborhood. They are new to the area and noticed flooding after the heavy rains last month. There is a drainage and utility easement behind their houses that is up for tax sale and is not being maintained. She asked if the City would be interested in purchasing it so it can be properly maintained. Mr. Fulton said that when it goes to the Commissioners Tax Sale the City will consider obtaining it then. Ms. Hart also mentioned a NIPSCO box that can go under water in that area and she has safety concerns about that. Mr. Brezik said that this subdivision is included in the West Side Drainage Plan but that is further in the future. City Engineer, Phil Gralik, has called NIPSCO about the box and will provide the homeowners with an update. Discussion continued about short term things that could be done to help the homeowners before the drainage plan goes into effect.

Mr. Snedecor asked if there were any announcements and there was no further response.

Adjournment: Motion by Mr. Claussen, to adjourn the meeting. All aye, motion carried. (6-0) The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.


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PRESIDING OFFICER