

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOBART
LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA
July 3, 2019**

Call to Order: Mayor Snedecor called the meeting to order at 6:00 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. Maggio, Mr. Vinzant, Mr. Brezik, Mr. Claussen and Mr. Waldrop. Also present: Mayor Snedecor, City Attorney DeBonis and Clerk-Treasurer Longer.

Reading of the Minutes: Motion by Mr. Brezik, seconded by Mr. Herzog, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 19, 2019 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (7-0)

Correspondence: Mr. Vinzant thanked State Rep. Lisa Beck for providing him with contact information regarding a customer service representative with Frontier. He will be reaching out to them in the near future.

Committee Reports: Mr. Huddlestun announced there will be an Ordinance Committee meeting on Wednesday, July 17th at 5:00 p.m. just prior to the next Council meeting.

The Fire Committee has been meeting with the Fire Department representatives regarding a contract. Discussion followed as to whether an Executive Session could be held regarding contract negotiations. Attorney DeBonis did some quick research and noted that discussions regarding collective bargaining are a permitted topic for an Executive Session. The Council will set an Executive Session for August 7, 2019 to begin after the regular Council meeting concludes. Notices will be sent as required.

Department Reports: The Department Heads will be present at the July 17th Council meeting.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Mr. Vinzant, seconded by Mr. Herzog, to accept the agenda as presented. All aye, motion carried. (7-0)

Unfinished Business: There was no unfinished business.

New Business:

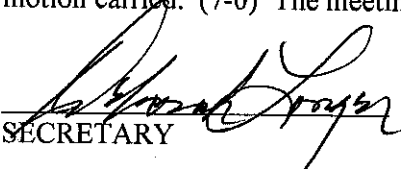
Resolution 2019-16: A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Hobart, Indiana, Designating a Certain Area within the City as an Economic Revitalization Area for Purposes of Real Property Tax Abatement: Cressmoor Estates PUD (single family homes only), 601 Wisconsin St.: Developer Randy Hall, Cressmoor Development LLC, was present. The Resolution was read. Mr. Vinzant reconfirmed the reasoning behind offering incentives such as tax abatement for single family residential properties, stating the tax rates are no longer a major issue but the unique location and character of the property along with the type of product being developed can be encouraged through the use of tax incentives. Mr. Brezik noted that this development will provide a major improvement in the area and this request is for the 184 single family homes being planned throughout the development. Motion by Mr. Vinzant, seconded by Mr. Brezik, to approve Resolution 2019-16 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (7-0) The public hearing will be set for Wednesday, August 7, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

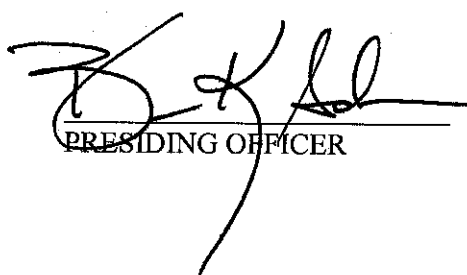
Attorney DeBonis noted the Development Agreement for Cressmoor Estates PUD will also be presented at the August 7th meeting.

Announcements:

Mr. Snedecor asked if anyone wished to address the Council and there was no response.

Adjournment: Motion by Mr. Claussen, seconded by Mr. Vinzant, to adjourn the meeting. All aye, motion carried. (7-0) The meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.


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