

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOBART  
LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA  
August 19, 2020**

**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, keeping the families of Deanna Paras and Chuck Sullivan in their thoughts as both recently passed away. Deanna Paras is the daughter of Leni & Dave Vinzant and Chuck Sullivan was a former 5<sup>th</sup> District Councilman for 16 years from 1980-1995. 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: Mr. Kopil, Mr. Huddlestun, Mr. Maggio, Mr. Wells, Mr. Claussen and Mr. Waldrop. Absent: Mr. Vinzant. Also present: Mr. Snedecor, City Attorney McCarthy and Clerk-Treasurer Longer.

**Reading of the Minutes:** Motion by Mr. Claussen, seconded by Mr. Waldrop, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 5, 2020 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

**Correspondence:** Mr. Snedecor updated the Council on the 3<sup>rd</sup> St. bridge, stating that the concrete work is done and paving should begin next week with the hopes of opening in September.

Mr. Huddlestun noted he has requested City Attorney McCarthy look into finding a solution for maintenance of the various retention ponds in subdivisions as there seems to be an ongoing problem with HOA's maintaining these and leaving them to go to tax sale.

Mr. Wells stated he has discussed barrier walls along I-65 with the City Attorney and has requested the state do a survey of the noise levels as a first step to possible walls being installed.

Mr. Snedecor announced that the Safe Haven Veteran's Housing project will have a "ground-breaking" on Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am at the site behind Best Buy on the US 30 corridor.

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

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Mr. Maggio, seconded by Mr. Kopil to approve the agenda as presented. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

**Unfinished Business:**

**Ordinance 2020-10 (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading):** An Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Hobart, Indiana Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds for the purpose of providing funds to be applied to reimbursing the City for certain Capital Expenditures previously incurred, to Refinance certain Lease and Installment Purchase Obligations of the City, and to Pay all Incidental Expenses in Connection therewith and on account of the Issuance of the Bonds: The second reading of the Ordinance was held. Bond Counsel Attorney Randy Rompola, Barnes & Thornburg, LLP, and Financial Advisor Todd Samuelson, Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors, LLC, explained there are two series in this bond issue: Taxable General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020A in a principal amount not to exceed \$3,500,000 and General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2020B in the principal amount not to exceed \$3,400,000. Motion by Mr. Claussen, seconded by Mr. Huddlestun, to adopt Ordinance 2020-10 as presented. Roll Call Vote taken. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

**Public Hearing: Ordinance 2020-11 (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading):** An Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Hobart, Indiana, Appropriating the Proceeds derived from the Sale of General Obligation Bonds of the

City and all matters related thereto: The second reading of the Ordinance was held. Notice of the public hearing had been published as required. Mr. Snedecor opened the public hearing and called three times for anyone to offer comments either in person or telephonically regarding the proposed ordinance. There were no comments offered and Mr. Snedecor closed the public hearing. Motion by Mr. Claussen, seconded by Mr. Waldrop, to adopt Ordinance 2020-11 as presented. Roll Call Vote taken. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

Bond Counsel Attorney Rompola stated the process will continue with the selling of the bonds tentatively scheduled for late September and anticipated closing date in early October.

Ordinance 2020-13 (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading): An Ordinance to Amend the City of Hobart Municipal Code concerning Trailers: Motion by Mr. Waldrop, seconded by Mr. Maggio, to table this item. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

#### **New Business:**

Compliance with Statement of Benefits: Real America LLC/Lake Park Sr. Apartments, 51 W. 10<sup>th</sup> Street: Real Property: Paul Jones, representing the owners and a representative of the construction company for Real America LLC were present. They stated the property is fully rented with a waiting list of future tenants. Motion by Mr. Claussen, seconded by Mr. Waldrop, to approve the Compliance with Statement of Benefits as presented. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

Request for Use Variance: to Allow a Cheerleading/Tumbling Facility at 5112A East US 30 located approx. 0.10-mile E from the NE Corner of US 30 & Clay St. Sec. 154.213, zoned M-1, 3.433 acres: Amanda Carroll: Mr. Snedecor stated the BZA unanimously recommended approval of this Use Variance on the condition that the parking lot is to be paved and striped. Motion by Mr. Waldrop, seconded by Mr. Maggio, to approve the Use Variance with the conditions as presented. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

Ordinance 2020-19: An Ordinance Providing that the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Hobart be amended by re-instating a Previously Approved PUD Zone Classification: Barrington Ridge, Unit 3, Lots 11-15 & Lot 20 Located S of 14<sup>th</sup> St., W of State St., N of Bracken Parkway and E of Lake Park Ave.: Craig Van Prooyen: The Ordinance was read. Mr. Snedecor noted the Plan Commission issued a unanimous favorable recommendation for this petition contingent upon installation of a turnaround at the end of Lake Street between Lots 14 & 15 and to work with staff as to encroachment into the 14<sup>th</sup> Street right of way. Motion by Mr. Waldrop, seconded by Mr. Claussen and Mr. Kopil, to approve Ordinance 2020-19 on first reading with the conditions as presented. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

Ordinance 2020-14: An Ordinance Replacing Ordinance 2019-20, Fixing the Salaries of Officers and Employees of the City of Hobart, Lake County, Indiana for the Fiscal Year Commencing January 1, 2021, and Ending December 31, 2021: The Ordinance was read. Motion by Mr. Claussen, seconded by Mr. Waldrop, to pass Ordinance 2020-14 on first reading. Roll Call Vote taken. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

Ordinance 2020-15: An Ordinance Repealing the Fiscal Year 2021 Items in Ordinance 2018-18 and Fixing the Salaries of Police Department Sworn Personnel of the City of Hobart, Lake County, Indiana for the Fiscal Year Commencing January 1, 2021, and ending December 31, 2021: The Ordinance was read. Motion by Mr. Claussen, seconded by Mr. Waldrop, to pass Ordinance 2020-15 on first reading. Roll Call Vote taken. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

**Ordinance 2020-16: An Ordinance Fixing the Salaries of Firefighter Sworn Personnel of the City of Hobart, Lake County, Indiana for the Fiscal Year Commencing January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021:** The Ordinance was read. Motion by Mr. Claussen, seconded by Mr. Huddlestun, to pass Ordinance 2020-16 on first reading. Roll Call Vote taken. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

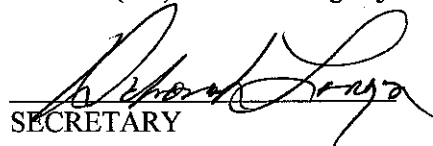
**Ordinance 2020-17: An Ordinance Fixing the Salaries of Elected Officials of the City of Hobart, Lake County, Indiana for the Fiscal Year Commencing January 1, 2021, and ending December 31, 2021:** The Ordinance was read. Motion by Mr. Claussen, seconded by Mr. Waldrop, to pass Ordinance 2020-17 on first reading. Roll Call Vote taken. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

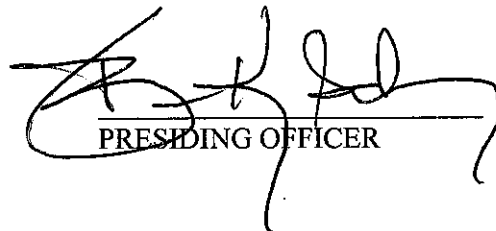
**Ordinance 2020-18: An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance 2019-23 and Establishing the Amount of Additional Compensation of Certain Officers of the Municipal Utilities of the City of Hobart, Lake County, Indiana and Designating the Fund from which said Additional Compensation is to be paid Commencing January 1, 2021, and ending December 31, 2021:** The Ordinance was read. Motion by Mr. Claussen, seconded by Mr. Huddlestun, to pass Ordinance 2020-18 on first reading. Roll Call Vote taken. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

#### **Announcements**

Mr. Snedecor asked if there was anyone on the phone or in person who wished to address the Council and there was no additional response.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Mr. Claussen, seconded by Mr. Kopil, to adjourn the meeting. All aye, motion carried. (6-0) The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

  
SECRETARY

  
PRESIDING OFFICER