

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOBART  
LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA  
September 2, 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. 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. Kopil, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 19, 2020 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

**Correspondence:** Mr. Snedecor noted there is a public meeting and public hearing scheduled regarding the County Line Road project on Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at the PCC Building, Main Gym, 705 E. 4<sup>th</sup> Street. The doors open at 5:00pm and the public hearing will begin at 6:00pm.

Mrs. Longer stated the Standard & Poor's Bond rating call has been scheduled for Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> and Notice to Issue Bonds will be advertised soon.

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

**Department Reports:** City Engineer Phil Gralik stated the bridge contractor has substantially completed their work and the finishing of the streetscape aspects of the project is in progress. Weather dependent, the hope is to open the bridge to traffic at the end of next week.

Mr. Gralik also explained the need to begin the infrastructure work at the triangle of Main/Front/Center Streets to get the project completed and the pavement done by mid-November. He noted the 8<sup>th</sup> Street Safe Routes to Schools project is basically complete with some concern about the sod taking hold due to lack of rain but the contractor is watching it and watering as needed.

Mayor Snedecor stated that paving has begun with Colorado Street from 73<sup>rd</sup> St. to the southern City limits paved and ready for striping and various other Community Crossing Grant pavement projects on the schedule for this fall.

Asst. Director of Development Beth Jacobson stated an updated Request for Proposals for development of the City's 60-acre site at 61<sup>st</sup> Ave. and Arizona Street is being finalized for consideration by the Redevelopment Commission and the Board of Works later this month.

**Approval of Agenda:** Mrs. Longer noted the Council had a request in their packets for an Amendment to Ord. 2020-14 before final approval that moves the Director of Development Salary from the General Fund to the CEDIT Fund but this Amendment was not listed on the agenda. Motion by Mr. Claussen, seconded by Mr. Huddlestun to approve the agenda. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

**Unfinished Business:**

**Ordinance 2020-14 (2<sup>nd</sup> reading): 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 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the Ordinance was held. Motion by Mr. Maggio, seconded by Mr. Kopil, to table Ordinance 2020-14. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

Ordinance 2020-15 (2<sup>nd</sup> reading): 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 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the Ordinance was held. Motion by Mr. Maggio, seconded by Mr. Kopil, to table Ordinance 2020-15. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

Ordinance 2020-16 (2<sup>nd</sup> reading): 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 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the Ordinance was held. Motion by Mr. Maggio, seconded by Mr. Kopil, to table Ordinance 2020-16. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

Ordinance 2020-17 (2<sup>nd</sup> reading): 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 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the Ordinance was held. Motion by Mr. Maggio, seconded by Mr. Kopil, to table Ordinance 2020-17. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

Ordinance 2020-18 (2<sup>nd</sup> reading): 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 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the Ordinance was held. Motion by Mr. Maggio, seconded by Mr. Kopil, to table Ordinance 2020-18. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

Ordinance 2020-19 (2<sup>nd</sup> reading): 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 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the Ordinance was held. Mr. Snedecor noted the Plan Commission issued a favorable recommendation contingent upon installation of a turnaround at the end of Lake Street between Lots 14 & 15 and to work with staff to encroach into the 14<sup>th</sup> Street right-of-way. Motion by Mr. Maggio, seconded by Mr. Waldrop, to adopt Ordinance 2020-19 as presented. Roll Call Vote taken. All aye, motion carried. (6-0)

Tabled: Ordinance 2020-13 (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading): An Ordinance to Amend the City of Hobart Municipal Code concerning Trailers: No action taken. This item remains on the table.

#### **New Business:**

Ordinance 2020-20 (1<sup>st</sup> reading): Ordinance for Appropriations and Tax Rates: Budget 2021: The Ordinance was read. Motion by Mr. Claussen, seconded by Mr. Waldrop, to approve Ordinance 2020-20 on first reading. Roll Call Vote taken. All aye, motion carried. (6-0) Mrs. Longer stated that Notice will be published and set for Public hearing at the September 16, 2020 Council meeting at 6:00 p.m.

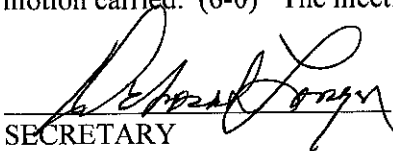
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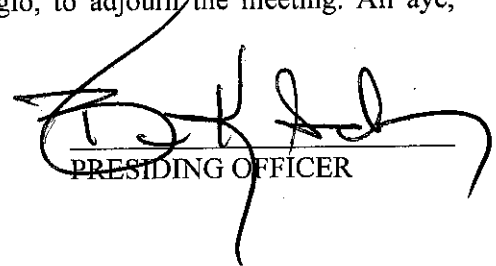
Mr. Kopil noted that a fellow-teamster, an employee of Walsh & Kelly was killed on a construction project last week at Rt. 41 and 217<sup>th</sup> and reminded the public to slow down and be more aware in construction zones. Mr. Snedecor noted there was an accident with a fatality on I-65 at 39<sup>th</sup> Ave. this past week, also in a construction area.

Mr. Maggio requested the Council consider holding a Budget Workshop to discuss the proposed budget for 2021. By Council consensus, the Budget Workshop will be held on Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Council Chambers. Notices will be sent and the meeting will be open to the public.

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. Maggio, to adjourn the meeting. All aye, motion carried. (6-0) The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

  
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PRESIDING OFFICER