

GOSHEN COMMON COUNCIL

Minutes for the Regular Meeting of February 7, 2017

The Common Council of the City of Goshen, Indiana met in a regular meeting on February 7, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. in the City Court Room/Council Chambers at the Goshen Police & Court Building, 111 East Jefferson Street, Goshen, IN. Presiding Officer was Mayor Stutsman, with members of the Council present or absent as follows:

PRESENT: Councilman Ahlersmeyer, McKee, Orgill, Scharf, Weddell
Councilwoman Gautsche, King

ABSENT: Youth Advisor Biller

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Mayor Stutsman asked for any changes to the Agenda or a motion to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion made by Councilman Ahlersmeyer to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Councilman Weddell.

By a 7-0 unanimous vote the Agenda passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Stutsman called for a motion regarding the Minutes from November 1, November 15, and December 6, 2016. Motion made by Councilman Weddell to table the Minutes from November 1, November 15, and December 6, 2016. Motion seconded by Scharf.

By a 7-0 unanimous vote the Minutes from November 1, November 15, and December 6, 2016 were tabled.

PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Ardean Friesen of the Board of Zoning Appeals and Ms. Becky Bateman from the Shade Tree Board were recognized by the Council for their service to the City. Mr. Friesen served from January 2011 until November 2016. Ms. Bateman served from February 2008 until August 2016. Their recognition by the Council begins at 3 minutes and 19 seconds of the audio recording.

ORDINANCE #4894

Council President McKee introduced Ordinance #4894 entitled "AN ORDINANCE FOR A PUD MAJOR CHANGE TO AMEND THE ELKHART ROAD PUD ORDINANCE #3574."

Council President McKee asked the Clerk-Treasurer to read the Ordinance by title only for its first reading and moved for its passage. Motion seconded by Councilman Weddell.

City Planner Rhonda Yoder outlined the scope of the Ordinance at 6 minutes and 38 seconds of the audio recording.

Attorney Jim Woodsmall of Warrick & Boyn, LLP spoke in favor of the Ordinance on behalf of property owner HSRE at 8 minutes and 58 seconds of the audio recording.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE #4894

Mayor Stutsman opened Public comments. Public offered no additional comments on this discussion.

COUNCIL COMMENTS ON ORDINANCE #4894

Mayor Stutsman opened Council comments. Council comments can be found at 9 minutes and 59 seconds of the audio recording.

Mayor Stutsman called for a vote to pass Ordinance #4894 on a first reading.

By a 7-0 unanimous vote the Ordinance passed on first reading.

Mayor Stutsman called for Ordinance #4894 to be heard on a second reading.

Council President McKee asked the Clerk-Treasurer to read the Ordinance by title only for a second and final reading and moved for its passage. Motion seconded by Councilman Weddell.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE #4894

Mayor Stutsman opened Public comments. Public offered no additional comments on this discussion.

COUNCIL COMMENTS ON ORDINANCE #4894

Mayor Stutsman opened Council comments. Council offered no additional comments on this Ordinance.

Mayor Stutsman asked the Clerk-Treasurer to call the roll. Roll Call was as follows:

AYES: Ahlersmeyer, Gautsche, King, McKee, Orgill, Scharf, Weddell

NAYES:

By a 7-0 unanimous vote the Ordinance passed.

(ORDINANCE #4894 DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS DAY OF FEBRUARY 7, 2017)

ORDINANCE #4895

Council President McKee introduced Ordinance #4895 entitled "TREE REMOVAL ON PRIVATE PROPERTY."

Council President McKee asked the Clerk-Treasurer to read the Ordinance by title only for its first reading and moved for its passage. Motion seconded by Councilman Scharf.

COUNCIL COMMENTS ON ORDINANCE #4895

Mayor Stutsman opened Council Comments. Council comments begin at 12 minutes and 29 seconds and end at 26 minutes and 45 seconds of the audio recording. Council comments resume at 35 minutes and 24 seconds of the audio recording.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE #4895

Mayor Stutsman opened Public comments. Public comments begin at 27 minutes and 13 seconds of the audio recording.

Mayor Stutsman called for a motion to pass on first reading or a motion to table in order to flesh out the Ordinance. Councilman Scharf moved to table the Ordinance. Motion seconded by Councilman Orgill.

By a 7-0 unanimous vote the motion passed.

RESOLUTION #2017-03

Council President McKee introduced Resolution #2017-03 entitled "AMENDMENT TO THE COOPERATIVE LOAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR THE USEPA BROWNFIELD REVOLVING LOAN FUND."

Council President McKee asked the Clerk-Treasurer to read the Resolution by title only and moved for its passage. Motion seconded by Councilman Weddell.

Brownfield Coordinator Mark Brinson spoke to the loan agreement between the City and Brownfield at 48 minutes and 17 seconds of the audio recording.

COUNCIL COMMENTS ON ORDINANCE #

Mayor Stutsman opened Council comments. Council comments begin at 47 minutes and 21 seconds and end at 53 minutes and 35 seconds of the audio recording. Council comments resume at 53 minutes and 42 seconds of the audio recording.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE #

Mayor Stutsman opened Public discussion. Public offered no comments on this Resolution.

Mayor Stutsman called for a vote to pass Resolution #2017-03.

By a 7-0 unanimous vote the Resolution passed.

RESOLUTION #2017-04

Council President McKee introduced Resolution #2017-04 entitled "APPROVING THE SERVICE DELIVERY AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF ELKHART AND GOSHEN POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR 2017 ELKHART COUNTY DRUG-FREE COMMUNITY FUNDS."

Council President McKee asked the Clerk-Treasurer to read the Resolution by title only and moved for its passage. Motion seconded by Councilman Weddell.

COUNCIL COMMENTS ON RESOLUTION #2017-04

Mayor Stutsman opened Council comments. Council comments begin at 54 minutes and 52 seconds of the audio recording.

PUBLIC HEARING ON RESOLUTION #2017-04

Mayor Stutsman opened Public discussion. Public offered no comments on this Resolution.

Mayor Stutsman called for a vote to pass Resolution #2017-04.

By a 7-0 unanimous vote the Resolution passed.

RESOLUTION #2017-05

Council President McKee introduced Resolution #2017-05 entitled "APPROVING THE GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN INDIANA CRIMINAL JUSTICE INSTITUTE, CITY OF GOSHEN, AND GOSHEN POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS."

Council President McKee asked the Clerk-Treasurer to read the Resolution by title only and moved for its passage. Motion seconded by Councilman Weddell.

Assistant Police Chief Jose Miller outlined the current need for upgraded radios for the Goshen Police Department at 58 minutes and 45 seconds of the audio recording.

PUBLIC HEARING ON RESOLUTION #2017-05

Mayor Stutsman opened Public comments. Public offered no comments on this Resolution.

COUNCIL COMMENTS ON ORDINANCE #

Mayor Stutsman opened Council comments. Council offered no comments on this Resolution.

Mayor Stutsman called for a vote to pass Resolution #2017-05.

By a 7-0 unanimous vote the Resolution passed.

BOARD AND COMMISSION (RE)APPOINTMENTS OF CITIZEN MEMBERS

Council discussion of Board and Commission appointments begin at 1 hour, 1 minute, and 35 seconds of the audio recording.

Board of Building Appeals—appointment tabled until next Council Meeting.

Board of Zoning Appeals—Candidates nominated for this Board are Doug Nisley and Brad Hunsberger. Roll call was as follows:

Councilman Ahlersmeyer—Mr. Nisley

Councilwoman Gautsche—Mr. Hunsberger

Councilwoman King—Mr. Hunsberger

Council President McKee—Mr. Nisley

Councilman Orgill—Mr. Nisley

Councilman Scharf—Mr. Hunsberger

Councilman Weddell—Mr. Nisley

By a 4-3 vote Doug Nisley was appointed to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Board of Zoning Appeals Alternate—Candidates nominated for this Board are Bob Gilkey and Brad Hunsberger. Roll call was as follows:

Councilman Ahlersmeyer—Mr. Gilkey

Councilwoman Gautsche—Mr. Hunsberger

Councilwoman King—Mr. Hunsberger

Council President McKee—Mr. Gilkey

Councilman Orgill—Mr. Hunsberger

Councilman Scharf—Mr. Hunsberger

Councilman Weddell—Mr. Gilkey

By a 4-3 vote Brad Hunsberger was appointed to the Board of Zoning Appeals as an alternate.

Redevelopment Commission—Candidates nominated for this Commission are Laura Corn and Brett Weddell.

By a 7-0 unanimous joint vote Laura Corn and Brett Weddell were appointed to the Redevelopment Commission.

Shade Tree Board—Candidate nominated for this board was Jonathan Corbin.

By a 7-0 unanimous vote Jonathan Corbin was appointed to the Shade Tree Board.

BOARD AND COMMISSION (RE)APPOINTMENTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Community Relations Commission—Candidates nominated for this Commission were Councilman Ahlersmeyer and Councilwoman King. Roll call was as follows:

Councilman Ahlersmeyer—Councilman Ahlersmeyer

Councilwoman Gautsche—Councilwoman King

Councilwoman King—Councilwoman King

Council President McKee—Councilman Ahlersmeyer

Councilman Orgill—Councilman Ahlersmeyer

Councilman Scharf—Councilwoman King

Councilman Weddell—Councilman Ahlersmeyer

By a 4-3 vote Councilman Ahlersmeyer was appointed to the Community Relations Commission.

Economic Development Commission—Candidate nominated for this Commission was Darrell Riegsecker.

By a 7-0 unanimous vote Darrell Riegsecker was appointed to the Economic Development Commission.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR JOINT MEETING WITH SCHOOL BOARD

Mayor Stutsman suggested Blackport Drive and the Plymouth Avenue Crossing at 1 hour, 29 minutes, and 15 seconds of the audio recording.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Matt Whitford (Goshen County) spoke about the Fire Ops 101 program at 1 hour, 32 minutes, and 39 seconds of the audio recording.

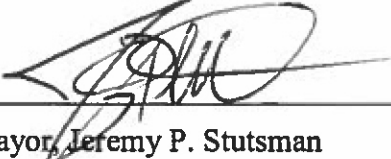
Glenn Null (Goshen) spoke about Boards and Commissions nominations at 1 hour, 37 minutes, and 26 seconds of the audio recording.

Mayor Stutsman spoke about the Youth Council Budget Line 1 hour, 39 minutes, and 59 seconds of the audio recording.

Councilman Scharf spoke about Board of Works and Public Safety at 1 hour, 42 minutes, and 59 seconds of the audio recording.

Councilwoman King moved to adjourn. Motion seconded by Councilman Scharf and the meeting adjourned at 8:47 P.M.

APPROVED: _____


Mayor, Jeremy P. Stutsman
Goshen, Indiana

ATTEST: _____


Angie McKee
City Clerk-Treasurer