

GOSHEN COMMON COUNCIL

Minutes for the Regular Meeting of December 19, 2017

The Common Council of the City of Goshen, Indiana met in a regular meeting on December 19, 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
Youth Advisor Barahona

ABSENT: None

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Mayor Stutsman called for any changes to the Agenda or a motion to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion to accept the Agenda as presented made by Councilwoman Gautsche. Motion seconded by Councilman Weddell.

By a 7-0 unanimous vote the Agenda was passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Stutsman called for a motion regarding the Minutes from November 21, 2017 and December 5, 2017. Motion to approve the Minutes as presented made by Councilwoman King. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Gautsche.

By a 7-0 unanimous vote the Minutes were approved.

PRESENTATIONS

Director of Public Works Dustin Sailor presented on the Water and Wastewater Needs Ten-Year Improvement Plan at 5 minutes and 43 seconds of the audio recording. Council questions occur during the presentation.

ORDINANCE #4934

Council President McKee introduced Ordinance #4934 entitled "AMEND ORDINANCE 4929, 2018 ANNUAL COMPENSATION FOR MEMBERS OF THE GOSHEN POLICE DEPARTMENT."

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.

COUNCIL COMMENTS ON ORDINANCE #4934

Mayor Stutsman opened Council comments. Council comments begin at 56 minutes and 31 seconds of the audio recording.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ORDINANCE #4934

Mayor Stutsman opened public comments. There were no comments made by the public.

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

Mayor Stutsman called for a unanimous Council consent to consider the Ordinance for passage during one meeting. As there were no objections, Mayor Stutsman declared that the Ordinance would be heard on a second reading.

ORDINANCE #4934

Council President McKee introduced Ordinance #4934 entitled "AMEND ORDINANCE 4929, 2018 ANNUAL COMPENSATION FOR MEMBERS OF THE GOSHEN POLICE DEPARTMENT."

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

COUNCIL COMMENTS ON ORDINANCE #4934

Mayor Stutsman opened Council comments. There were no additional comments made by the Council.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ORDINANCE #4934

Mayor Stutsman opened public comments. There were no additional comments made by the public.

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

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

NAYS:

By a 7-0 unanimous vote the Ordinance passed.

(ORDINANCE #4934 DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS DAY OF DECEMBER 19, 2017)

ORDINANCE #4935

Council President McKee introduced Ordinance #4935 entitled "LIPPERT/D-ACT-Z ANNEXATION."

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.

Councilman Ahlersmeyer recused himself from the discussion and voting.

City Attorney Larry Barkes explained the Ordinance at 1 hour, 00 minutes, and 10 seconds of the audio recording.

COUNCIL COMMENTS ON ORDINANCE #4935

Mayor Stutsman opened Council comments. Council comments begin at 1 hour, 02 minutes, and 31 seconds of the audio recording.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ORDINANCE #4935

Mayor Stutsman opened public comments. Public comments begin at 1 hour, 03 minutes, and 05 seconds of the audio recording.

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

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

NAYS:

By a 6-0 unanimous vote the Ordinance passed on first reading.

RESOLUTION 2017-30

Council President McKee introduced Resolution 2017-30 entitled "DOCUMENTING THE FILING OF A PETITION FOR ANNEXATION INTO THE CITY OF GOSHEN BY ELKHART COUNTY 4-H & AGRICULTURAL EXPOSITION INC."

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTION 2017-30

Mayor Stutsman opened public comments. Public comments begin at 1 hour, 12 minutes, and 55 seconds of the audio recording.

COUNCIL COMMENTS ON RESOLUTION 2017-30

Mayor Stutsman opened Council comments. Council comments begin at 1 hour, 16 minutes, and 30 seconds of the audio recording.

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

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

NAYS:

By a 7-0 unanimous vote the Resolution passed.

(RESOLUTION 2017-30 DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS DAY OF DECEMBER 19, 2017)

RESOLUTION 2017-31

Council President McKee introduced Resolution 2017-31 entitled "AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF 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 2017-31

The Council agreed to not schedule the April 3, 2018 meeting due to it occurring on Spring Break.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTION 2017-31

Mayor Stutsman opened public comments. There were no comments made by the public.

By a 7-0 unanimous vote the Resolution passed.

(RESOLUTION 2017-31 DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS DAY OF DECEMBER 19, 2017)

DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF 2018 COUNCIL CALENDAR

Motion to remove the November 6, 2017 Council meeting made by Councilman Weddell. Motion seconded by Councilman Ahlersmeyer.

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

AYES: Ahlersmeyer, McKee, Orgill, Scharf, Weddell

NAYS: Gautsche, King

By a 5-2 vote the November 6, 2017 Council meeting was removed from the Council Calendar.

Motion to remove the April 3, 2017 meeting, move the first Budget hearing to the September 18, 2017 meeting, remove the October 2, 2017 meeting, adding the second Budget hearing on October 9, 2017, moving the additional Budget hearing to October 16, 2017 if needed, and add a second Council meeting on October 30, 2017 made by Councilman Weddell. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Gautsche.

By a 7-0 unanimous vote the Council Calendar was approved as amended.

YEAR END CATEGORY TRANSFERS

Motion to change the time of the last Council meeting of the year on Wednesday, December 27, 2017 to 5:45 made by Councilman Weddell. Motion seconded by Councilman Orgill.

By a 7-0 unanimous vote the meeting time was changed to 5:45 on Wednesday, December 27, 2017.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Richard Geary spoke about the proposed ICE detention facility at 1 hour, 34 minutes, and 17 seconds of the audio recording.

In response to an objection raised by Councilman Ahlersmeyer, the Council agreed to allow the public to speak about the proposed ICE detention facility.

Sreekala Rajagopalan spoke about the proposed ICE detention facility at 1 hour, 41 minutes, and 45 seconds of the audio recording.

Jeremy Friesen spoke about the proposed ICE detention facility at 1 hour, 52 minutes, and 24 seconds of the audio recording.

Josh Yoder spoke about the proposed ICE detention facility at 1 hour, 59 minutes, and 58 seconds of the audio recording.

Glenn Null wished the Council a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year at 2 hours, 03 minutes, and 04 seconds of the audio recording.

Doug Nisley defended the Goshen Police Department at 2 hours, 04 minutes, and 26 seconds of the audio recording.

Councilman Scharf spoke about the East Goshen water improvement and the proposed fire and police training facilities at 2 hours, 07 minutes, and 40 seconds of the audio recording.

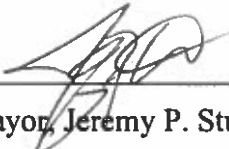
Council President McKee wished everyone a happy holiday at 2 hours, 10 minutes, and 48 seconds of the audio recording.

Councilwoman King spoke about her lack of support for CoreCivic at 2 hours, 10 minutes, and 52 seconds of the audio recording.

Councilwoman Gautsche thanked the public for speaking at 2 hours, 11 minutes, and 32 seconds of the audio recording.

Councilman Scharf moved to adjourn. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Gautsche and the meeting adjourned at 9:08 P.M.

APPROVED: _____


Mayor, Jeremy P. Stutsman
Goshen, Indiana

ATTEST: _____


Angie McKee
City Clerk-Treasurer