

**COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
October 21, 2013
7:00 P.M.**

The Common Council of the City of Warsaw met in a Regular Session on Monday, October 21, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Joseph M. Thallemer presided and the following persons were noted as present or absent:

PRESENT: Council members Charles Smith, Jeff Grose, Elaine Call, Diane Quance, Jerry Frush, Cindy Dobbins and Mike Klondaris. Also present, Mayor Joseph M. Thallemer, Clerk-Treasurer Lynne Christiansen, Attorney Adam Turner, City Planner Jeremy Skinner, Deputy Police Chief Bryan Sherwin, Police Lieutenant Kip Shuter, Street Superintendent Lacy Francis, Park Superintendent Larry Plummer, H/R Director Jennifer Whitaker, Cemetery Sexton Hal Heagy, Warsaw-Wayne Fire Territory Chief Mike Brubaker, Airport Manager Nick King, Kevin Planck from Cardinal Services/KABS, Mark Dobson of WCDC, others as noted on the attached attendance sheet, Stacey Page from Stacey Page On-Line, and Times-Union reporter Jennifer Peryam.

ABSENT: None noted.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Thallemer followed by the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES-

The minutes from the October 8, 2013 meeting were presented for approval. Motion made by Councilor Smith to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilor Klondaris and carried by unanimous vote.

REPORTS/ORAL & WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS-

-Mayor Thallemer advised the Council that the City will no longer be able to place garland/lights across the downtown intersections because of the strain placed on the poles. Discussion and planning is taking place to put perimeter lighting on downtown buildings. Mayor Thallemer will keep the Council advised of the progress.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS-

PROPOSED ALLEYWAY FAÇADE PROGRAM-

Mark Dobson from the WCDC presented information to the Council on a proposed alleyway façade improvement program. The program is being proposed to stimulate efforts to improve off-street exterior appearance. After discussion a motion was made by Councilor Grose to approve the program, seconded by Councilor Smith, carried by unanimous vote. (Information attached).

FIRST FRIDAY PARTICIPATION PROPOSED CHANGES-

Mr. Dobson presented more information to the Council involving proposed changes for participation in the First Friday program. Several areas were addressed in the proposed changes. After discussion a motion was made by Councilor Dobbins to approve the changes, seconded by Councilor Call, carried by unanimous vote.

2014 CONTRACTS WITH NOT-FOR-PROFITS-

The following non-profit requests and amounts for 2014 were finalized:

- (1) AWL - Kosciusko Animal Welfare League - \$17,500.
- (2) CCAC - City County Athletic Complex - \$31,000.
- (3) KABS - Kosciusko Area Bus Service - \$18,500 (With an additional \$10,000 request for matching federal funds for capital improvement coming from Riverboat Fund).
- (4) WCDC - Warsaw Community Development Corporation - \$12,600.
- (5) WHA - Warsaw Housing Authority - \$30,000.
- (6) HOW-Housing Opportunities of Warsaw - \$17,300.
- (7) Façade Grant - \$35,000

It was the consensus of the Council agreeing to the above amounts.

2014 GENERAL SALARY ORDINANCE-

Ordinance #2013-10-01, an ordinance establishing maximum compensation levels for the year 2014 for Department Heads, Appointive Positions and certain Salaried and Non-Salaried employees of the City of Warsaw was presented for approval. Motion made by Councilor Quance to approve the ordinance on second and final reading, seconded by Councilor Smith, carried by unanimous vote. (Copy attached).

2014 FIRE TERRITORY SALARY ORDINANCE-

Ordinance #2013-10-02, establishing maximum compensation levels for the year 2014 for employees of the Warsaw-Wayne Township Fire Territory was presented for approval. Motion made by Councilor Grose to approve the ordinance on second and final reading, seconded by Councilor Call, carried by unanimous vote. (Copy attached).

2014 ELECTED OFFICIALS SALARY ORDINANCE-

Ordinance #2013-10-03, an ordinance establishing compensation for the year 2014 for Elected Officials was presented for approval. Discussion followed and a motion was made by Councilor Call to approve the ordinance on second and final reading, seconded by Councilor Frush, with Councilors Dobbins, Frush, Smith, and Quance voting aye and Councilor Grose voting nay. (Copy attached).

2014 BUDGET AND TAX RATE ADOPTION-

This is the advertised "Adoption Hearing" for the 2014 budget. **Ordinance #2013-09-03**, an ordinance approving the 2014 budget, appropriations, and tax rates was presented for final approval. A motion was made by Councilor Quance to pass **Ordinance #2013-09-03** on second and final reading, seconded by Councilor Smith, carried by unanimous vote. (Copy attached to minutes).

NEW BUSINESS-

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 74 OF THE WARSAW CITY CODE/PARKING-

Ordinance #2013-10-04 was brought forward for approval. The ordinance amends Chapter 74 of the City Code, Section 74-211, modifying item 179 to be Reserved and adding Item 185 eliminating parking on the east side of Lincoln Street from Center Street to Sheridan Street. Mayor Thallemer opened the floor for any comments by citizens and no one commented for or against the action. Motion made by Councilor Grose to approve **Ordinance #2013-10-04** on first reading, seconded by Councilor Frush, carried by unanimous vote. Motion made by Councilor Grose to suspend the rules and pass the ordinance on second and final reading, seconded by Councilor Quance, carried by unanimous vote. (Copy attached to minutes).

OTHER MATTERS/ITEMS CARRIED FORWARD-

-Airport Manager Nick King advised the Council that he recently attended the Airport Association of Indiana (AAI) annual conference and during the conference former Airport Manager David Beall was honored as Person of the Year.

-Councilor Grose advised the Council that thirty-two (32) deer have been taken in the deer reduction effort and he thanked the police department for their help in administering the program.

-Milling and paving has started this week on several stretches of City streets. Weather permitting, the projects should be done by the end of the week. Councilor Frush alerted Street Superintendent Lacy Francis that the alleyway in the 200 block of West Main Street, between Main and Center Street, needs attention. Occupants from Retired Tigers walk in the alley on a regular basis and the pavement has deteriorated.

ADJOURNED-

There being no further business to come before the Council by a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

Lynne Christiansen, Clerk Treasurer

