

**COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
SEPTEMBER 19, 2011
7:00 P.M.**

The Common Council of the City of Warsaw met in a Regular Session on Monday, September 19, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Ernest B. Wiggins presided and the following persons were noted as present or absent:

PRESENT: Councilmember's Charles Smith, Jeff Grose, George Clemens, Joe Thallemer, Diane Quance, and Kyle Babcock. Also present, Mayor Ernest Wiggins, Clerk-Treasurer Lynne Christiansen, Fire Territory Chief Mike Rice, H/R Director Jennifer Whitaker, Park Superintendent Jon Garber, Brad Bishop and David Floyd from Orthoworx, Suzi Light from Kosciusko County Foundation, Mary Ellen Rudisel-Jordan, Jeffrey & Billijo Brown, and Times-Union Reporter Jennifer Peryam.

ABSENT: Councilman Jerry Patterson, and City Attorney Michael Valentine.

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

MINUTES –

The minutes from the September 6, 2011 meeting were presented for approval. Motion made by Councilman Smith to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilman Clemens and carried by unanimous vote.

REPORTS/ORAL & WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS –

- (1) August Financial Report.
(Documentation attached to minutes).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

ORTHOWORX 2012 FUNDING REQUEST-

Mayor Wiggins had previously introduced a letter from Orthoworx to the Council requesting funding for 2012. Orthoworx asked the City to name a representative to their Board of Advisors plus membership support of \$10,000 for 2012. David Floyd from Orthoworx advised the Council that Orthoworx is a Tax-Exempt 501 (c) (6) organization. He gave an overview of Orthoworx and answered any questions the Council had. Councilmember Babcock made a motion to approve the funding, seconded by Councilmember Clemens, carried by unanimous vote. (Documentation attached to minutes).

2012 SALARY ORDINANCE –

Ordinance #2011-09-01, an Ordinance establishing maximum compensation levels for the year 2012 for department heads, appointive positions and certain salaried and non-salaried employees of the City of Warsaw was presented for approval. Motion made by Councilman Smith to approve the Ordinance on this second and final reading, seconded by Councilmember Quance, carried by unanimous vote. (Documentation attached to minutes).

2012 FIRE TERRITORY SALARY ORDINANCE –

Ordinance #2011-09-02, an Ordinance establishing maximum compensation levels for the year 2012 for employees of the Warsaw/ Wayne Township Fire Territory was presented for approval. Motion made by Councilmember Quance to approve the Ordinance on second and final reading, seconded by Councilmember Thallemer, carried by unanimous vote. (Documentation attached to minutes).

2012 ELECTED OFFICIAL SALARY ORDINANCE –

Ordinance #2011-09-03, an Ordinance establishing compensation for the year 2012 for Elected Officials was presented for approval. Motion made by Councilmember Grose to approve the Ordinance on second and final reading, seconded by Councilmember Smith, with Councilmembers Quance, Clemens, and Thallemer voting aye, and Councilmember Babcock voting nay. (Documentation attached to minutes).

ORDINANCE/ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION/RAINY DAY-

This is the second reading for **Ordinance #2011-09-05** requesting an additional appropriation from the Rainy Day Fund of \$50,000.00 for the funding of payment of property taxes given as a credit at the time of the real estate closing to relocate City Hall. Councilmember Grose made a motion to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Councilmember Clemens, with Councilmember's Quance, Smith, and Thallemer voting aye, and Councilmember Babcock voting nay. (Documentation attached to minutes).

NEW BUSINESS –

2012 BUDGET AND TAX RATE APPROVAL –

This is the advertised "Public Hearing" for the 2012 budgets. No citizens came forward with any comment for, or opposed to, the 2012 proposed City Budget. The first reading of the Ordinance will take place during the October 3, 2011 Council Meeting. The Adoption Hearing will be held on October 17, 2011.

OTHER MATTERS-

CCAC/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION-

The Council had asked for additional information from the CCAC in regards to their request for funding for 2012. Information was provided, however, the Council has asked for more information such as profit/loss thru September 2011; a balance sheet; and a forecast of their budget through the end of 2011. The Council also requested that Karl Swihart from the CCAC to be present at the next Council meeting.

COUNTY RESOLUTION-

Resolution #11-09-08-001, Budget Review from Kosciusko County, was shared with the Council regarding Kosciusko County's Council non-binding review of the City's proposed 2012 budget.

WINONA AVENUE RE-SURFICING-

Mayor Wiggins advised the Council that milling started today on Winona Avenue in preparation to resurface the milled areas.

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