

**COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
March 18, 2013
7:00 P.M.**

The Common Council of the City of Warsaw met in Regular Session on Monday March 18, 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: Councilmembers Elaine Call, Cindy Dobbins, Jeff Grose, Charles Smith, Jerry Frush, and Diane Quance. Also present Mayor Thallemer, Clerk-Treasurer Lynne Christiansen, City Attorney Mike Valentine, Attorney Steve Snyder, Attorney Rick Helm, City Planner Jeremy Skinner, Monica Boyer, Mike Ragan, Jon Fussle, Ann Bonewitz, Jack Wilhite, Ron Shoemaker, various other attendees as noted on the attached attendance sheet, On-Line News Reporter Stacey Page, and Times Union reporter Jennifer Peryam.

ABSENT: Councilmember Mike Klondaris

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

MINUTES-

The minutes from the March 4th, 2013 regular session was presented for approval. Motion made by Councilor Frush to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilor Grose and carried by unanimous vote.

REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS-

The following reports and communications were presented:

- (1) Chamber Downtown VIP Night – May 17
- (2) IACT Newsletter/ Healthcare Reform Workshop Information
- (3) 2013 Boards & Commissions
- (4) January and February 2013 financial reports

Documentation attached to minutes.

NEW BUSINESS-

ORDINANCE/PETITION FOR VACATION OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY-

Attorney Stephen R. Snyder presented Ordinance #2013-03-03 to the Council to vacate a strip of land east of Lots 215 and 216 in Lakeside Park Addition and better described in the ordinance. His client is the Sharon E. Cess Declaration of Trust and the property is an unimproved public way in the Plat of Lakeside Park Addition. This is the Public Hearing for the petition for the vacation of a public way and the floor was opened for comments. Attorney Rick Helm stated he supported the vacation, no one spoke against the vacation, and the public hearing was closed. Motion made by Councilor Quance to approve the ordinance, seconded by Councilor Smith, carried by unanimous vote. (Copy attached).

DECLARATORY RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AN ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA/FLEXAUST-

Attorney Rick Helm presented Resolution #2013-03-01 for consideration. The resolution designates an Economic Revitalization Area (ERA) at 1605 W. Center Street and more specifically set forth within the resolution. Mr. Helm representing Flexaust Company, Inc., desires to petition the City for a three year real property tax abatement at 1605 W. Center Street, and a ten year personal property tax abatement for equipment at 1510 Armstrong Road and 1605 W. Center Street. Mayor Thallemer opened up the meeting for any public comment and none was made for or against the resolution. He then closed the comment period. Councilor Smith made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-03-01, seconded by Councilor Dobbins, carried by unanimous vote. (Documentation attached to minutes).

OTHER MATTERS-

*Councilor Quance requested that the Council districts be posted on the City's website.

*Mayor Thallemer advised that he had talked with Norfolk and Southern Railroad about installing crossing gates at several locations along the north/south line. He will also be talking with Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) about the situation.

*Local citizen Monica Boyer asked about organizing a community clean-up day this spring.

ADJOURNMENT-

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