

COMMON COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION  
APRIL 19, 2010  
7:00 P.M.

The Common Council of the City of Warsaw met in Regular Session on Monday April 19, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Ernest Wiggins presided and the following persons were noted as present or absent:

**PRESENT:** Councilmen Jerry Patterson, Joe Thallemer, Jeff Grose and Daniel Hampton. Also present Mayor Wiggins, Clerk-Treasurer Lynne Christiansen, City Attorney Mike Valentine, Parks Superintendent Jon Garber, Waste Water Collections Office Manager Mary Lou Plummer, Assistant City Planner Tim Dombrosky, WCDC President Mary Ellen Rudisel-Jordan, James Grimm, Jacob Grimm from Boy Scout Troop 819, and Jennifer Peryam, reporter with the Warsaw Times Union

**ABSENT:** Kyle Babcock, George Clemens, and Charles Smith

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

**MINUTES –**

The minutes from the March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010 meeting were presented for approval. Motion made by Councilman Patterson to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilman Hampton and carried by unanimous vote.

**REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS**

The following reports and communications were presented:

- (1) Jacob Grimm from Boy Scout Troop 819 introduced himself and advised the council he was working on his citizenship badge.
- (2) WCDC-Newsletter featuring upcoming events in the downtown area.
- (3) Wastewater Billing Office-memo stating that \$280,857.19 has been collected since 2007 from past due accounts that had liens placed on the property.
- (4) Fire Territory-March 2010 Activity Report.
- (5) Umbaugh & Associates-Financial Management Report for the Municipal Sewage Works for the year ending in 2009
- (6) Clerk-Treasurer Christiansen presented the March 2010 financial reports.

Documentation attached to minutes.

**NEW BUSINESS –**

**MINER ANNEXATION PUBLIC HEARING /COUNCIL –**

Assistant City Planner Tim Dombrosky presented the paper work for the public hearing for the voluntary annexation of the James R. and Nancy Miner property located in a part of the Northwest Quarter of Section 29, Township 33 North, Range 6 East. No public comments were presented and after discussion on the legal description/survey and zoning, the matter was tabled.

**TAX ABATEMENT COMPLIANCE FORMS –**

Assistant City Planner Tim Dombrosky presented for approval the following list of companies who submitted their form CF-1 “compliance for continuation of tax abatement”.

- (1) Caleb France/Carol and Clifford Wieland/Echelon Group @ 100/121 W. Market St.
- (2) R&B Investors Partnership @ 800 S. Buffalo St.

Mr. Dombrosky recommended approval of continuation of tax abatement, finding all companies to be in compliance. After discussion, Councilman Hampton mentioned that the council had previously asked for representation from individuals/organizations seeking tax abatements to be present at the time of their request for abatement, with Councilman Thallemer being in agreement. Motion made by Councilman Thallemer to table the discussion, seconded by Councilman Hampton, carried by unanimous vote.

**WCDC/FACADE PROGRAM-**

WCDC President Mary Ellen Rudisel-Jordan advised the council that the WCDC has had several requests for money from the FAÇADE program for improvement to façades that do not face a street or sidewalk but rather an alley or parking lot. Ms. Rudisel-Jordan advised the council that requests would be on a point system and applications would be considered in September of each year after requests for the sidewalk/street side had already been fulfilled. Council was in agreement allowing the WCDC to work this program into their protocol.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT –**

The following “Conflict of Interest Statement” was filed before the Council.

1. Becky Moreno.

The conflict of interest statement was duly noted as being filed. (Copy attached to minutes).

**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