

**COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
August 17, 2009
7:00 P.M.**

The Common Council of the City of Warsaw met in a Regular Session on Monday, August 17, 2009 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: Councilmen Charles Smith, Jeff Grose, George Clemens, Jerry Patterson, Joe Thallemer, Daniel Hampton and Kyle Babcock. Also present Mayor Ernest Wiggins, Park Superintendent Jon Garber, Fire Chief Mike Rice, City Planner Jeremy Skinner, Cemetery Sexton Hal Heagy, Police Chief Perry Hunter, H/R Director Jennifer Whitaker, Airport Manager David Beall, WWTP Utility Manager Brian Davison, President of the WCDC Mary Ellen Rudisel-Jordan, local resident Gary Parker and Warsaw Times Union Reporter Jennifer Peryam.

ABSENT: None.

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

MINUTES –

The minutes from the August 03, 2009 meeting were presented for approval. Motion made by Councilman Clemens to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilman Babcock and carried by unanimous vote.

REPORTS/ORAL & WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS –

1. Letter to Town of Winona Lake RE: Warsaw Wayne Township Fire Protection Territory decision on modifications to fire protection coverage for their town, more specifically set forth within the letter.
 2. Fire Department July Activity Report.
 3. Around Indiana article – Indiana Business News.
 4. July Investment and Financial Reports
- (Documentation attached to minutes).

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2009 SALARY ORDINANCE –

H/R Director Jennifer Whitaker presented for approval Ordinance #2009-08-04, an ordinance amending the 2009 Salary Ordinance redefining the pay set forth under Fueling and setting new hourly rate of \$21.46 for System Coordinator at the Wastewater Department. Motion made by Councilman Hampton to approve the amendment as presented, seconded by Councilman Patterson, carried by unanimous vote.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION/CUMULATIVE FIRE BUDGET –

Ordinance #2009-08-03, an additional appropriation of \$160,000 from the Cumulative Fire Fund was presented for approval.

The \$160,000 is for the following:

- (1) \$100,000 is necessary for the construction of a Fire Simulator Training Facility.
- (2) \$60,000 is for the early pay-off of a lease through Sun Trust on the purchase of a 2005 Ladder Truck.

Motion made by Councilman Babcock to approve the additional appropriation on 1st reading, seconded by Councilman Thallemer, carried by unanimous vote. Motion made by Councilman Grose to suspend the rules and pass on second and final reading, seconded by Councilman Smith, carried by unanimous vote.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENTS –

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

- (1) Kyle Babcock.

Motion made by Councilman Patterson acknowledging the filing of the Conflict of Interest Statement, seconded by Councilman Clemens, carried by unanimous vote. (Copy attached to minutes).

TAX ABATEMENT COMPLIANCE FORMS –

City Planner Jeremy Skinner presented for approval the following SB-1/PP form (Statement of Benefits/Personal Property) from Little Crow Milling Co. Discussion followed. Motion made by Councilman Grose to approve the 6 year tax abatement for Little Crow Milling Company as recommended, seconded by Councilman Smith, carried by unanimous vote. (Copies of form attached to minutes).

2009 BUDGET CUTS –

Clerk-Treasurer Call presented for approval Resolution # 2009-08-01, a resolution cutting 2009 Budgets, more specifically set forth within the Exhibit A attached to the resolution. Motion made by Councilman Hampton approving the \$690,000 budget cuts as set forth in Resolution #2009-08-01, seconded by Councilman Thallemer, carried by unanimous vote. (Copy attached to minutes).

TRAFFIC SIGNALS ON CENTER STREET-PARKER/ARGONNE RD PROJECT –

City Planner Jeremy Skinner requested permission for the reconnection of the existing traffic signal located at Center Street and for new service for a traffic signal to be located at the Argonne/Jefferson Street Intersection, more specifically set forth within the letter. Motion made by Councilman Grose approving the request, seconded by Councilman Smith, carried by unanimous vote.

PRESENTATION OF DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS –

The following department heads presented their proposed budgets for 2010

City Planner Jeremy Skinner presented the following budgets:

Redevelopment General, Redevelopment Allocation, and Redevelopment Northern Budgets.
Building & Plan Budget.

Cemetery Sexton Hal Heagy presented the following budgets:

Cemetery Budget.
Cemetery Permanent Budget.

Police Chief Perry Hunter presented the following budgets:

Police Pension budget.
Police Budget.
Law Continuing Education Budget.

Fire Chief Mike Rice presented the following budgets:

Fire Territory Budget
Fire Equipment Budget
Fire Pension Budget

Park Superintendent Jon Garber presented the following budgets:

Park Operating Non Reverting Budget.
Park Department Budget.

Airport Manager David Beall presented the following budgets:

Aviation Depreciation Budget.
Aviation Budget.

COUNCILMAN PATTERSON ACCUSED HIMSELF FROM THE MEETING -

Human Resource Director Jennifer Whitaker presented her budget.

Clerk Treasurer Call presented the Clerk's Office budget.

Mayor Wiggins presented the following budgets:

Mayors Office Budget.
Council Budget.
Edit Budget.
Riverboat Budget.
Rainy Day Budget.
General Bond Budget.

Mayor Wiggins reported that Superintendent of Public Works Lacy Francis was at a meeting out of town and will be presenting his budgets at the next Council meeting.

ADJOURNED -

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

ATTEST:

Elaine Call, Clerk-treasurer

