

**COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
July 6, 2020
7:00 P.M.**

The Common Council of the City of Warsaw met in a Regular Session on Monday July 6, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Council President Jack Wilhite presided and the following persons were noted as present or absent:

PRESENT: Council members Jack Wilhite, Cindy Dobbins, Josh Finch, and Jerry Frush. Also present Clerk-Treasurer Lynne Christiansen, City Attorney Scott Reust and local citizens Jack Brunetto and Cory and Eric Hoffhein. By a roll-call, the following were noted as being present for the meeting by dial-in access through Go To Meeting: Mayor Thallemer, Council members Jeff Grose, Mike Klondaris, and Diane Quance. Also present via dial-in access was City Planner Jeremy Skinner. The meeting was also presented live over the City's web-site at <https://www.warsaw.in.gov>.

ABSENT: None noted.

The meeting was called to order by Councilor Wilhite followed by the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Wilhite advised that he would be abstaining from all votes due to presiding over the meeting. He will vote to break any tie votes if needed.

MINUTES-

The minutes from the June 15, 2020 meeting were presented for approval. Motion made by Councilor Frush to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilor Dobbins, and by a roll call vote the motion was carried by a unanimous vote of 6-0.

REPORTS/ORAL & WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS-

-2nd Quarter of 2020 Investment Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS-

ORDINANCE FOR COMMON COUNCIL/INDEPENDENT LEGAL ADVICE-

Ordinance #2020-03-05 was presented for a second reading. The Ordinance authorizes the Common Council to contract for professional services for independent legal advice. During the June 15th meeting the Ordinance was amended by changing the wording "public hearing" in several areas to "public meeting". After discussion, Councilor Frush made a motion to approve the Ordinance on second and final reading, seconded by Councilor Quance, and by a roll call vote the motion was carried by a unanimous vote of 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS-

TAX ABATEMENT COMPLIANCE FORMS-

City Planner Jeremy Skinner presented for approval the following list of companies who submitted their CF-1 Real (SF 51766 or SF 51767), Personal Property (SF 51764 or SF 51765), Form 322/VBD (SF 53179) and/or CF-1/VBD (SF 55183) "Compliance with Statement of Benefits" forms for Tax Abatement. Mr. Skinner recommended approval of continuation of the requested Tax Abatements, finding all companies to be in compliance

- (1) Whimet Inc., one (1) personal property located at 2100 N. Detroit, no representative present.
- (2) Depuy Synthes Products, 700 Orthopedic Drive, one (1) Personal Property, no representative present.

Motion made by Councilor Klondaris approving the above abatements, seconded by Councilor Finch, and by a roll call vote, carried by a unanimous vote of 6-0.

TRANSFER RESOLUTION-

Resolution #2020-07-01 was presented for approval. The Resolution transfers funds within the Redevelopment Allocation and Redevelopment Northern TIF budgets. Motion made by Councilor Dobbins to approve Resolution #2020-07-01 seconded by Councilor Klondaris, and by a roll call vote, carried by unanimous vote of 6-0.

RESOLUTION/REDUCTION TO ENCUMBRANCES-

Resolution #2020-07-02, setting forth reductions to encumbrances in the General, Fire Operating, Motor Vehicle Highway, Park, Aviation, Cumulative Capital Development, Cumulative Capital Improvement, Cemetery, Local Road and Street, Economic Development, and Fire Equipment Replacement funds carried forward from 2019, and more specifically set forth within the Resolution was presented. Motion

was made by Councilor Quance to approve the Resolution, seconded by Councilor Frush, and by a roll call vote, carried by unanimous vote of 6-0.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INVESTMENT OF PUBLIC FUNDS-

Resolution #2020-07-03 was presented for approval. The Resolution allows for banks outside of the City to submit quotes on Certificates of Deposit for investing of certain funds. Motion made by Councilor Klondaris to approve the Resolution, seconded by Councilor Dobbins, and by a roll call vote, carried by unanimous vote of 6-0.

OTHER MATTERS-

-Councilor Dobbins asked for a progress update on the North Buffalo Street/Plaza Project. Mayor Thallemer provided information on the project.

-Local Citizen Cory Hoffhein of 625 W. Center Street stepped forward to talk about the use of aerial fireworks within the City Limits. She asked the Council to review the ordinance due to safety reasons from sparks igniting on surfaces where they land. She also advised that her husband Eric, who is a military veteran that served in Afghanistan, suffers from post-traumatic stress disorder and the explosions from loud fireworks can set off his symptoms and cause distress. Mayor Thallemer requested that City Attorney Scott Reust look into the matter further.

ADJOURNED-

There being no further business to come before the Council by a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lynne Christiansen, Clerk-Treasurer