

**COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
September 08, 2020
7:00 P.M.**

The Common Council of the City of Warsaw met in a Regular Session on Tuesday, September 08, 2020 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: By roll call, the following Council members were noted as being present: Cindy Dobbins, Jack Wilhite, Jeff Grose, Josh Finch, Mike Klondaris, Jerry Frush and virtually via call-in, Diane Quance. Also present, Mayor Joseph M. Thallemer, Clerk-Treasurer Lynne Christiansen, City Attorney Scott Reust, City Planner Jeremy Skinner, Park Superintendent Larry Plummer, and InkFree News reporter Dan Spaulding. The meeting was also presented live over the City's web-site at <https://www.warsaw.in.gov> and through GoTo Meetings.

ABSENT: None noted.

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

MINUTES-

The minutes from the August 17, 2020 meeting were presented for approval. Motion made by Councilor Wilhite to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilor Frush, and by roll call carried by unanimous vote.

REPORTS/ORAL & WRITTEN COMMUNICATION-

- Introduction of Thaddeus Kosciuszko Portrait.
- August 2020 Fund Report.
- Mayor Thallemer received the increase for health insurance premiums for 2021 through the AIM Medical Trust which will be 4.7%.
- The Indiana State Department of Health will be offering free COVID-19 testing again at Central Park from September 9th until September 12th.

NEW BUSINESS-

TRANSFER RESOLUTION/PARKS-

Parks Superintendent Larry Plummer presented Resolution **#2020-09-01**. The Resolution transfers \$75,000.00 within the Parks Department Budget to support improvements at Hire Park. Motion made by Councilor Quance to approve Resolution #2020-09-01, seconded by Councilor Dobbins, and by roll call carried by unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION/DEER NUISANCE AREAS-

Councilman Jeff Grose provided the Council with Resolution **#2020-09-02**, determining deer nuisance zones within the City limits. Maps of the designated areas were attached to the Resolution. Councilor Grose made a motion to pass Resolution #2020-09-02, seconded by Councilor Klondaris, and by roll call carried by unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION REDUCING 2020 BUDGETS-

Resolution **#2020-09-03** setting forth Line 2 cuts from the 2020 Budget was presented for approval. Reductions represent a cut in the General Budget of \$1,001,000; Aviation Budget of \$42,500.00; Cemetery Budget of \$82,000.00; Parks & Recreation Budget of \$213,000.00; and Warsaw-Wayne Fire Territory Operating Budget of \$315,000.00, for a grand total of \$1,653,000.00, and more specifically set out in the Resolution. Motion was made by Councilor Frush to approve Resolution #2020-09-03, seconded by Councilor Finch, and by roll call carried by unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY OF WARSAW AN ERA-

City Planner Jeremy Skinner presented Resolution **#2020-09-05** designating property located along Enterprise Drive an Economic Revitalization Area (ERA), which will allow BTC Investments, LLC to apply for tax abatements on real and personal property, the property is better described within the Resolution. This is the advertised public hearing for the matter and Mayor Thallemer opened the meeting for public comment and no one came forward to speak for or against the matter. Mayor Thallemer closed the

public hearing. Councilor Quance made a motion to approve Resolution #2020-09-05, Councilor Dobbins seconded, and by roll call the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

TAX ABATEMENT APPLICATION/BTC INVESTMENTS, LLC-

Mr. Skinner presented Form SB-1 Real Property Tax Abatement for BTC Investments, LLC. asking the Council to approve a ten (10)-year abatement for property located at 133 Enterprise Drive. Motion made by Councilor Wilhite to approve the form, seconded by Councilor Quance, and by roll call carried by unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A REVOLVING FUND-

Resolution #2020-09-04 was presented for approval. The Resolution establishes a revolving fund for economic development purposes. Funding will come from local income tax revenues specifically through Economic Development Income Tax (EDIT) distributive shares. The new fund is named EDIT Revolving Fund. Included with the Resolution was Exhibit A, Form of Loan Agreement. After discussion Councilor Klondaris made a motion to approve Resolution #2020-09-04, seconded by Councilor Finch, and by roll call carried by unanimous vote.

ORDINANCE FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION-

Ordinance #2020-09-02 was presented for first reading. The Ordinance appropriates \$150,000.00 from the EDIT fund to be placed into the EDIT Revolving Fund. The public hearing for the additional appropriation is scheduled for the September 21, 2020 meeting pending proper advertisement. Councilor Grose made a motion to approve Ordinance #2020-09-02 on first reading, seconded by Councilor Frush, and by roll call carried by unanimous vote.

ADJOURNED-

There being no further business to come before the Council by a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm.

ATTEST:

Lynne Christiansen, Clerk-Treasurer