

**COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
NOVEMBER 15, 2021
7:00 P.M.**

The Common Council of the City of Warsaw met in a Regular Session on Monday, November 15, 2021 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: Council members Cindy Dobbins, Jack Wilhite, Jeff Grose, Josh Finch, Mike Klondaris, Jerry Frush, and Diane Quance. Also present Mayor Thallemer, Clerk-Treasurer Lynne Christiansen, City Attorney Scott Reust, Community Development Director Jeremy Skinner, Jeff Rowe from Baker Tilly, local citizen Eric Hoffhien, and Times-Union reporter David Slone. Fire Territory Chief Mike Wilson joined virtually through GoToMeetings and 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 Mayor Thallemer followed by the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES-

The minutes from the November 1, 2021 Regular Session were presented for approval. Motion made by Councilor Quance to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilor Grose with Councilors Dobbins, Wilhite, Klondaris, and Frush voting aye while Councilor Finch abstained.

REPORTS/ORAL & WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS-

1. Comcast third quarter 2021 Franchise Fee report, \$13,489.14
2. October 2021 Fund Report
3. Review of Comprehensive Financial Plan by Jeff Rowe of Baker Tilly.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS-

None noted.

NEW BUSINESS-

CUSTER/SUPERIOR DEVELOPING, LLC/ANNEXATION PETITION-

Community Development Director Jeremy Skinner presented a signed petition from property owner Dale Custer/Superior Developing, LLC asking for voluntary annexation. The property is located along Old Road 30 East and is part of the East half of the Northeast quarter of Section 14, Township 32 North, Range 6 East, containing 71.39 acres of land, more or less. Mr. Skinner introduced the annexation to the Council and the Council acknowledged receiving the petition.

TRANSFER RESOLUTION/FIRE TERRITORY-

Fire Territory Chief Mike Wilson presented Resolution #2021-11-05. The Resolution transfers a total of \$15,000.00 within the Fire Territory Operating budget. Motion made by Councilor Grose to approve Resolution #2021-11-05, seconded by Councilor Frush, carried by unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION REDUCING 2021 BUDGETS-

Resolution #2021-11-04, setting forth reductions from the 2021 Fire Territory Operating, General Fund, Aviation, Cemetery, and Parks & Recreation budgets in the total amount of \$1,463,280.00 and more specifically set out in the Resolution, was presented for approval. Motion was made by Councilor Quance to approve Resolution #2021-11-04, seconded by Councilor Dobbins, and carried by unanimous vote.

TRANSFER RESOLUTION-

Resolution #2021-11-06 was presented for approval. The Resolution transfers a total of \$25,000.00 within the Council budget. Motion made by Councilor Grose to approve Resolution #2021-11-06, seconded by Councilor Frush, and carried by unanimous vote.

ORDINANCE #2021-11-02/FIREWORKS-

Ordinance #2021-11-02 was presented for consideration. The Ordinance adds Chapter 54, Section 67: Fireworks, to the City Code for the establishment of rules, enforcement, and penalties related to the use and sale of consumer fireworks within the City Limits. City Attorney Scott Reust went over the

Ordinance with the Council as well as Council members who helped draft the Ordinance. Local citizen Eric Hoffhien, who has come before the council several times about fireworks, felt the Ordinance was a good compromise and a good starting point to address the issue of the use of fireworks. After further discussion, Councilor Wilhite made a motion to approve Ordinance #2021-11-02 on first reading, seconded by Councilor Quance, with Councilors Dobbins, Grose, and Frush voting aye while Councilor Finch voted nay and Councilor Klondaris abstained. Second reading will be held during the December 6, 2021 session.

OTHER MATTERS-

-A special meeting of the Council will be held on Thursday November 18th at 5:00 to discuss receipt of the 1782 Notice.

-A meeting will be held Tuesday November 16, 2021 at the Performing Arts Center at Warsaw High School to give an update to the public on the US 30 project.

ADJOURNED-

There being no further business to come before the Council by a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lynne Christiansen, Clerk-Treasurer