

REGULAR MEETING COMMON COUNCIL – October 10, 2023

The Common Council of the City of Huntington met on the 10th day of October 2023, at 7:00 p.m., in accordance with all applicable requirements and notice.

INVOCATION: Tyler Gates, Pastor of Worship & Discipleship Huntington First Church of the Nazarene, gave the invocation.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Strick called the regular meeting of the Common Council to order.

ROLL CALL: Common Council Members present: Joe Blomeke, Charles Chapman, Dave Funk, Todd Johnson, Seth Marshall, and Paul Pike. Absent: PJ Felton

PUBLIC HEARING: Mayor Strick opened the public hearing on 2024 City of Huntington, Indiana Budget. With no one from the public wishing to speak, Mayor Strick closed the public hearing.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Council Member Marshall moved to approve Council's September 26, 2023, regular meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Council Member Johnson. Motion passed 6-0. Minutes signed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS, OR COMMISSIONS: Council Member Chapman reported on Combined Dispatch Board, they are meeting their goals and response times are great. Council Member Johnson reported on Solid Waste Board, they are looking into monitoring the cameras more often to try to minimize the contaminated recycling, which has to go to the landfill rather than be recycled. Council Member Marshall reported on the HCUED Board meeting, the Riverfork West project with Teijin has been completed and they have received their Certificate of Occupancy. Five other projects of economic development have also been completed this year. No other reports were given.

PETITIONS OR COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Council Member Marshall moved to approve on second and final reading **Ordinance 17-C-23: "An Ordinance Fixing Salaries of Elected Officials From and After December 30, 2023 Through the Pay Period Ending December 28, 2024,"** seconded by Council Member Chapman. After clarification that Council Members are not receiving additional compensation for 2024, motion passed 5-1. Ayes: Blomeke, Chapman, Funk, Johnson, and Marshall. Nays: Pike.

Council Member Marshall moved to approve on second and final reading **Ordinance 18-C-23: "An Ordinance Fixing Salaries of Appointed Officers for the City of Huntington, Indiana, From and After December 31, 2023 Through the Pay Period Ending December 28, 2024; and Hourly Employees of the City of Huntington, Indiana, From and After December 24, 2023, Through the Pay Period Ending December 21, 2024,"** seconded by Council Member Chapman. Motion passed 4-2. Ayes: Blomeke, Chapman, Funk, and Marshall. Nays: Johnson and Pike.

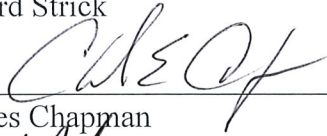
Council Member Chapman moved to approve on second and final reading **Ordinance 20-C-23: “An Ordinance to Establish the 2024 Budget Appropriations,”** seconded by Council Member Blomeke. Motion passed 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT: Council Member Pike moved to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Chapman. Motion passed 6-0.

APPROVED:



Richard Strick As Mayor



Charles Chapman As Council
President




PJ Felton As Member




Seth Marshall As Member



Joseph E. Blomeke As Member



Dave Funk As Member



Todd Johnson As Member



Paul Pike As Member

Attest: 

Christi A. McElhaney As Clerk-Treasurer