

REGULAR MEETING COMMON COUNCIL – October 31, 2023

The Common Council of the City of Huntington met on the 31st day of October 2023, at 7:00 p.m., in accordance with all applicable requirements and notice.

INVOCATION: Pastor Chris Lantz, Evangelical United Methodist Church, 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, PJ Felton, Dave Funk, Todd Johnson, Seth Marshall, and Paul Pike.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Council Member Marshall moved to approve Council's October 10, 2023, regular meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Council Member Chapman. Motion passed 7-0. Minutes signed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS, OR COMMISSIONS: Council Members had no reports to give. Lily Poling, Mayor's Youth Council Representative, gave an update that the Youth Council will hold a Teen Town Hall meeting at Huntington North High School on Thursday, November 2, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. It is open to the public, but they are going ask for student input regarding what they enjoy about Huntington and what things they would like changed or added.

PETITIONS OR COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS: Huntington County Health Officer, Dr. Matt Pflieger gave an update on the distributions of the Opioid Settlement funds for 2023. The Community Foundation is facilitating the distribution of the funds and they have given monies to several different organizations in Huntington County for rehabilitation groups and transition house help. They gave money to Boys and Girls Club for drug and tobacco prevention education and to Grant County rehabilitation group that is helping Huntington County residents. Council Members thanked Dr. Pflieger and the Community Foundation for the great use of the funds put in their care for this program.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

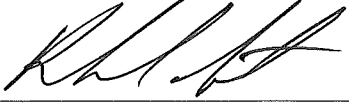
NEW BUSINESS:

Clerk-Treasurer McElhaney **presented the Budget Form 4 to be considered, approved, and signed by Council for the 2024 Budget.** Council Member Chapman made a motion to approve the Budget Form 4, seconded by Council Member Felton. Motion passed 7-0. Form 4 signed.

MISCELLANEOUS: Clerk-Treasurer McElhaney requested Council set a public hearing for November 14, 2023 to consider the designation of Economic Revitalization Areas for 2024 and 2025. Council Member Felton made a motion to set the public hearing, seconded by Council Member Chapman. Motion passed 7-0.

ADJOURNMENT: Council Member Pike moved to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Felton. Motion passed 7-0.

APPROVED:




Richard Strick As Mayor



Charles Chapman As Council
President



PJ Felton As Member



Seth Marshall As Member

Absent

Joseph E. Blomeke As Member



Dave Funk As Member

remote

Todd Johnson As Member



Paul Pike As Member

Attest:


Christi A. McElhaney Clerk-Treasurer