

REGULAR MEETING COMMON COUNCIL – August 13, 2024

The Common Council of the City of Huntington met on the 13th day of August 2024, at 7:00 p.m., for its regular meeting in accordance with all applicable requirements and notice.

INVOCATION: Mayor Strick gave the invocation.

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

ROLL CALL: Common Council Members present: Dwight Brautigam, Charles Chapman, PJ Felton, Dave Funk, Todd Johnson, Paul Pike, and Andrew Rensberger.

PUBLIC HEARING: Mayor Strick opened the public hearing for the additional appropriation for General Fund and PS LIT for the 2024 Rescue Fire Truck. With no one wishing to speak, Mayor Strick closed the public hearing.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Council Member Felton moved to approve Council's July 30, 2024, regular meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Council Member Johnson. Motion passed 7-0. Minutes signed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS, OR COMMISSIONS: Council Member Chapman mentioned that the AIM Summit Conference in October will be held in Fort Wayne. Council Member Felton commented on the Solid Waste Board meeting, the Board accepted a bid to install a ramp from the drive around to the recycling parking lot for easier access and better flow of traffic. He also mentioned that the Solid Waste District is still looking for companies to bid the recycling process located at West Park site. Council Member Johnson reported that HCUED has finalized some projects and has a few new ones in the process for growing the economy in Huntington. No other reports were given.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council Member Rensberger made a motion to approve on **first reading Ordinance 11-C-24: "Additional Appropriation"- General Fund and PS LIT Fund for the new 2024 Rescue Fire Truck**, seconded by Council Member Chapman. Fire Chief Johnson explained the funding for the truck: the City is paying cash for approximately half, including the funds in the additional appropriation, and using the Indiana Bond Bank for the remainder of the balance in a 5-year lease/purchase. Motion passed 7-0. Council Member Pike made a motion to suspend the rules and approve Ordinance 11-C-24 on second reading, seconded by Council Member Johnson. Motion passed 7-0. Council Member Rensberger made a motion to **approve on second and final reading Ordinance 11-C-24: "Additional Appropriation" -General Fund and PS LIT Fund**, seconded by Council Member Brautigam. Motion passed 7-0. Ordinance signed.

Council Member Brautigam made a motion to approve on first reading **Ordinance 12-C-24: "An Ordinance to Ratify the Establishment of a New Fund for the City of Huntington, Indiana"(TIF Riverfork West Fund)**, seconded by Council Member Felton. Motion passed 7-0.

Council Member Pike made a motion to approve on **first and final reading of Resolution 12-R-24: “Reduction of Appropriation for Park Fund”**, seconded by Council Member Johnson. Motion passed 7-0. Resolution signed.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Clerk Treasurer McElhaney reported on the July 2024 financial.

Council Member Johnson requested an update on the Hiers Park playground reopening. Mayor Strick stated there was a manufacturing issue with some of the pieces sent that needed to be replaced and that should be completed in September.

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

APPROVED:

As Mayor
Richard Strick

As Member
Dwight Brautigam

As Council
Charles Chapman
President

As Member
Dave Funk

As Member
PJ Felton

As Member
Todd Johnson

As Member
Andrew Rensberger

As Member
Paul Pike

Attest:

As Clerk-Treasurer
Christi A. McElhaney