

REGULAR MEETING COMMON COUNCIL – August 27, 2024

The Common Council of the City of Huntington met on the 27th day of August 2024, at 7:00 p.m., for its regular meeting in accordance with all applicable requirements and notice.

INVOCATION: Pastor Adam Jones, St Peter First Community 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: Dwight Brautigam (remote), 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 Landfill GO Bond Debt Service payment. With no one wishing to speak, Mayor Strick closed the public hearing.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Council Member Johnson moved to approve Council's August 13, 2024, regular meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Council Member Chapman. Motion passed 7-0. Minutes signed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS, OR COMMISSIONS: No reports were given.

New Members of That Viking Thing were sworn in. There are 13 HNHS juniors who are the new members of the That Viking Thing Committee. The new members introduced themselves to Council.

OLD BUSINESS:

Council Member Johnson made a motion to approve on second and final 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 Chapman. Motion passed 7-0. Ordinance signed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council Member Rensberger made a motion to approve on **first reading Ordinance 13-C-24: "Additional Appropriation" - Landfill GO Bond Debt Service payment**, seconded by Council Member Felton. Clerk-Treasurer McElhaney explained that the City needed to get the payments from the amortization schedule caught up to the budget from last year's changes. Motion passed 7-0.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Discussion of DRAFT Ordinance 9-C-24: "An Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Huntington, Indiana, Establishing a Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA)". Mayor Strick explained that the ATC has reviewed the Ordinance the City presented and has approved the language used to describe the dates that the DORA is in effect. Council Member Johnson explained that the Subcommittee, consisting of himself, Council Member Chapman, and Eli

Gearhart of Wise Guys, had all establishments involved in the plan attend the meetings so they could give their input. Mayor Strick asked Council Members to look the Ordinance over and it will be brought to the next meeting on September 10, 2024, for first reading.

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:

<u>Richard Strick</u>	<u>As Mayor</u>	<u>Dwight Brautigam</u>	<u>As Member</u>
<u>Charles Chapman</u>	<u>As Council President</u>	<u>Dave Funk</u>	<u>As Member</u>
<u>PJ Felton</u>	<u>As Member</u>	<u>Todd Johnson</u>	<u>As Member</u>
<u>Andrew Rensberger</u>	<u>As Member</u>	<u>Paul Pike</u>	<u>As Member</u>

Attest:

Christi A. McElhaney
As Clerk-Treasurer