

COMMON COUNCIL
August 14, 2023

The Common Council met in a regular meeting on August 14, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers, 301 East Clinton Street, Frankfort, Indiana.

Mayor Judy Sheets called the meeting to order and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, the following members were present: Mayor Judy Sheets, Mike Brite, Brandt Fuller, Joe Palmer, Megan Sheets, Clarence Warthan, and Eric Woods. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Carol Bartley and City Attorney Alicia Albertson. Councilmember Steve Beardsley attended the meeting remotely.

MINUTES: The minutes for the July 10, 2023, regular meeting were presented. Councilmember Woods noted that there was an error in attendance notes of the meeting. Councilmember Woods made a motion to pass the minutes from the July 10, 2023 meeting as amended, seconded by Councilmember Fuller. Upon a roll call vote, seven ayes were recorded. Motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

ORDINANCE 23-11: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND RESCINDING ORDINANCE 15-02, WHICH ESTABLISHED THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FRANKFORT, INDIANA

Councilmember Palmer made a motion to read ordinance 23-11 by title only, seconded by Councilmember Beardsley. Upon a roll call vote, seven ayes were recorded. Motion carried 7-0. Clerk-Treasurer Carol Bartley read the title of the ordinance.

The council had a discussion regarding the need for the commission and discussed who would be a watchdog for the historic areas in the city. The main concern was that the building inspector would not have time to monitor all the areas in the city.

Councilmember Palmer made a motion to pass ordinance 23-11 on first reading, seconded by Councilmember Brite. Upon a roll call vote, six ayes were recorded. Councilmember Warthan voted nay. Motion carried 6-1.

RESOLUTION 23-11: A RESOLUTION DIRECTING TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATED FUNDS.

Clerk-Treasurer Carol Bartley informed the council that the resolution is for the building services department to transfer funds from the building inspector salary and the property clerk salary so that they have funds available to contract with someone to assist with ADA compliance.

Councilmember Woods made a motion to pass resolution 23-11, seconded by Councilmember Palmer. Upon a roll call vote, seven ayes were recorded. Motion carried 7-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Clerk-Treasurer Carol Bartley informed the council that the aquatic center had a total of \$121,907.77 so far this year.

Eric Spencer spoke to the council and requested funds for the Crossings annual fundraising banquet and asked the city to be a co-sponsor for the event by donating \$3000.00. Councilmember Sheets made a motion to approve the city to co-sponsor the event on September 19, 2023, seconded by Councilmember Fuller. Upon a roll call vote, seven ayes were recorded. Motion carried 7-0.

Mayor Sheets informed the council of a request from the Paul Phillipe Resource Center for a donation. The council had a discussion about the availability of funds for not for profits, no action taken at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Palmer moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Fuller. Mayor Sheets adjourned the meeting at 7:54 P.M.