

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MISHAWAKA COMMON COUNCIL

JANUARY 06, 2020

Be it remembered that the Common Council of the City of Mishawaka, Indiana met in the Council Chambers of the Mishawaka City Hall on Monday, January 6, 2020 at 7:00PM. The meeting was called to order by City Clerk Deborah S. Block all were asked to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and remain standing for a Moment of Silence for the passing of former Mayor Robert Beutter.

Clerk Block introduced newly elected council members Anthony Hazen, 3rd District and Maggie DeMaegd, Councilman At Large.

Dale “Woody” Emmons 1st District
Mike Bellovich 2nd District
Anthony “Tony” Hazen 3rd District
Kate Voelker 4th District
Michael Compton 5th District
Ron Banicki 6th District
Gregg A. Hixenbaugh At Large
Matt Mammolenti At Large
Maggie DeMaegd At Large

Chief Deputy Clerk Mary Ellen Hazen’s roll call showed all members present.

Others present; Mike Trippel Council Attorney, clerk staff Michael Hixenbaugh.

Clerk Block opened the floor for nominations for President of the Council for 2020. Mr. Compton nominated Mr. Hixenbaugh with a second by Mr. Banicki the motion carried. Chief Deputy Clerk Hazen polled the council on the motion to elect Mr. Hixenbaugh President. Motion carried by a unanimous vote 9 to 0.

Mr. Hixenbaugh opened the floor for Vice President of the Council for 2020. Mr. Banicki nominated Mr. Mammolenti with a second by Mr. Emmons the motion carried. Clerk Block polled the council on the motion to elect Mr. Mammolenti to Vice President motion carried by a unanimous roll call 9 to 0.

Minutes for the Regular meeting of December 16, 2019 were approved as received from the Clerk’s Office,

Clerk Block read the following petitions by title;

Petition No. 2019-18 Annex and Zone C-1 54655 Fir Rd for future expansion and additional parking for its adjacent office development The Plaza at Day Rd & Fir Rd.

Petition NO. 2019-19 PUD Amendment Gateway Plaza NW corner of Bremen Highway and US20 Bypass S-2 PUD Various Uses.

Petition No. 2019-20 Rezone from R-1 to R-2 Multi-family 115 E. 9th St.

Clerk Block read the following proposed ordinance and opened it for public hearing.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2019-39

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 137 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF MISHAWAKA, INDIANA, AS FROM TIME TO TIME AMENDED, COMMONLY KNOWN AS “THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF 1966” OF THE CITY OF MISHAWAKA, INDIANA.

Mr. Banicki reported the Committee on Land Use Planning recommended this proposed ordinance should be adopted. This is signed by the entire committee upon a second by Mr. Mammolenti motion carried.

John Piraccini, 633 Windy Cove Ct. stated this has been a long process with the City and the developers. He said the extension of Meijer Drive caused this piece of property to have no further use and it should be vacated.

Question was called for at 7:10PM for **PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO 2019-39**, with the vote being 9 to 0 thus it becomes **ORDINANCE NO 5681**.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Reconsideration of ORDINANCE NO 5680 for technical amendment.

Clerk Block stated this is for a technical amendment it was received from our Controller to amend it December 5th it was not put on the agenda to amended. It was passed and signed correctly. It is only needed to make a motion to add as amended to the Ordinance No 5680 AA.

Mrs. Voelker made a motion to amend **ORDINANCE NO 5680 FOR TECHNICAL CHANGES** with a second by Mr. Mammolenti motion carried.

Mr. Banicki made a motion to approve **ORDINANCE NO 5680 As Amended**. Seconded by Mr. Mammolenti.

Question was called for at 7:13PM for **ORDINANCE NO 5680AA** with the vote being 9 to 0.

Clerk Block read the following Council Committees;

A motion was made by Kate Voelker to accept the committee appointments seconded by Ron Banicki motion carried by a voice vote.

BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Woody Emmons, Chairman

Ron Banicki

Kate Voelker

LAND USE PLANNING

Ron Banicki, Chairman

Woody Emmons

Mike Bellovich

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY/LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Mike Compton, Chairman

Matt Mammolenti

Tony Hazen

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE

Matt Mammolenti, Chairman

Woody Emmons

Kate Voelker

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mike Compton, Chairman

Ron Banicki

Mike Bellovich

SUB-STANDARD HOUSING COMMITTEE

Matt Mammolenti, Chairman

Mike Compton

Maggie DeMaegd

A motion was made by was made by Matt Mammolenti to nominate Mike Trippel as Council Attorney seconded by Ron Banicki motion carried by a voice vote.

COUNCIL ATTORNEY - Mike Trippel

PLAN COMMISSION - Woody Emmons 12/31/2020

TRAFFIC COMMISSION - Ron Banicki expires 12/31/2023

MBA – Gregg Hixenbaugh, No expiration

SOLID WASTE – Woody Emmons

MACOG – Mike Bellovich

INSURANCE COMMITTEE – Mike Compton and Mike Bellovich

REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION – Kris Ermeti and Janet Whitfield-Hyduk 12/31/2020

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS – Joel Dendiu 12/31/2023

ANIMAL CONTROL COMMISSION – Mariah Covey 12/31/2022

HISTORIC PRESERVATION – Kate Voelker 12/31/2020

MISHAWAKA SCHOOL LIAISON – Woody Emmons

A motion was made by Matt Mammolenti to accept Various Boards and Commissions seconded by Ron Banicki motion carried by a voice vote.

Clerk Block said there was the matter of acceptance of the Conflict of Interest forms filed by; Dale “Woody” Emmons, Anthony “Tony” Hazen, Gregg Hixenbaugh, Matt Mammolenti

Mr. Banicki made a motion to accept the Conflict of Interest forms seconded by Matt Mammolenti motion carried.

Clerk Block stated that these forms would be sent to the St. Joseph County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Indiana State Board of Accounts as required by Indiana State Statutes.

Mr. Emmons announced the 1st District Neighborhood meeting would be January 16, 2020 at 7:00pm at St. Bavo’s School. The speaker will be announced at a later date.

Mr. Mammolenti welcomed the new council members and stated the Twin Branch Neighborhood meeting would be January 15, 2020 at 7:00pm at Twin Branch School and it will be hosted by Mr. Hazen and Mr. Mammolenti. The speaker will be the K9 Unit.

Mr. Hixenbaugh acknowledged the passing of former Mayor Robert Beutter and the tragic loss of 2 children on New Years Eve. He said our thoughts and prayers go out to the families.

Mr. Hixenbaugh welcomed and congratulated the new council members and wished them well.

ADJOURNMENT 7:21PM

Deborah S. Block /s/

Deborah S. Block, IAMC, MMC, City Clerk

Gregg A. Hixenbaugh /s/

Gregg A. Hixenbaugh, President