



## ***Common Council Meeting – Minutes for March 29th, 2021***

**Council Members in Attendance:** Todd Nunemaker (IP), Anna Huff (OL), Amy Rosa (IP), David Kauffman (IP), Denny Miller (IP).

**Also Present: City Attorney:** Brian L. Hoffer (OL), **Clerk Treasurer:** Jeff Knight (IP) plus 8 guests (OL), 1 guests (IP) and 1 member of the press (OL)

- Call to Order: Mayor Jenkins called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm and opened with the pledge of allegiance and prayer.
- Roll Call: Council members listed above were in attendance either in person or online via ZOOM videoconference.
- Approval of Minutes from March 15th, 2021: Councilman Miller motioned to approve the minutes. Councilwoman Rosa seconded. There were no questions or comments. The minutes were approved unanimously via roll voice vote.
- Petitions or Comments by Citizens: There were none.
- Reports of Committees, Boards, and Commissions: There were none.
- Unfinished Business:
  - Second Reading of Ordinance 1585 – Amending Ordinance 1233 Golf Course Non-Reverting Fund: Mayor Jenkins re-introduced the proposed Ordinance to the members of the Council. Since this was fully presented and discussed at the last meeting, there were no further questions. Councilwoman Rosa motioned to approve Ordinance 1585 on second reading. Councilman Kauffman seconded. The Ordinance was approved unanimously on 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading by roll call vote.

Mayor Jenkins noted that if the Council was comfortable with Ordinance 1585 and wished to complete the approval process for it, that the rules could be suspended in this instance and the Council could move to third and final reading this evening. Councilwoman Rosa motioned to suspend the rules and move to third reading. Councilman Miller seconded. The motion to suspend the rules and move to third reading was approved unanimously by voice vote.



- Third Reading of Ordinance 1585 – Amending Ordinance 1233 Golf Course Non-Reverting Fund: There were no further questions or comments regarding the Ordinance. Councilwoman Rosa motioned to approve Ordinance 1585 on third reading. Councilman Nunemaker seconded. The Ordinance was approved unanimously on third reading by roll call vote.
- New Business: There was none.
- Approval of Accounts Payable Vouchers: 2021 APVs Totaling \$462,444.88: Councilman Nunemaker motioned to approve the APVs. Councilwoman Rosa seconded. There were no questions or comments. The APV's were approved unanimously by roll call vote.
- Reports from City Officers (reports are generally submitted for the second Council meeting of the month):
  - Street Department: Superintendent Warren informed the Council that they will begin picking up brush tomorrow. After that, the brush pickup schedule will return to regularly scheduled day of Monday.
  - Senior Center Director: While neither director was in attendance, Mayor Jenkins told the Council that they are working to try and get transportation services up and running by May 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Water/WWTP: Superintendent Gerber updated the Council on the progress of the water project.
  - Mayor – Mayor Jenkins yielded the floor to Councilwoman Huff who briefly talked about her resignation that is effective April 15<sup>th</sup>. When she ran for office, she never anticipated that they would end up living in Florida. Now that she spends so much time down there, she did not think it was fair to the citizens of Nappanee. Mayor Jenkins thanked her for her service on behalf of the City.

Mayor Jenkins also informed the Council that at the next Council meeting they should expect to see all the tax abatement documents.
- At this point, the business of the meeting was complete and the Council transitioned into a Special Session. The Special Session was a time to provide the Council members a packet of materials reflecting the financial condition of the City, how each of the funds may be utilized, and what



potential funding options will be at the City's disposal for future projects. Assisting Mayor Jenkins and CT Knight were Jeff Rowe and Ross Hagan with Baker Tilly. This was the first of two informative sessions. The second session, to be held at a later date, will focus on the projects the City has and what the priorities should be. This session was conversational in manner and good questions and dialogue were had from all in attendance (Councilman Nunemaker, Councilwoman Huff, Councilwoman Rosa, Councilman Kauffman, Councilman Miller, CT Knight, Mayor Jenkins, Mr. Rowe, and Mr. Hagan).

The session lasted about an hour with discussion focused on the status of each major Fund, what they can be used for, what a safe cash reserve for each of the Funds might be, the current economic impact on investments, potential future funding sources (i.e. general obligation bonds, etc.), and a recognition that the City has operated within or under budget and has sufficient reserves.

Adjournment: With no further business to be discussed, Councilman Nunemaker motioned to adjourn the meeting and Councilman Miller seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 pm by unanimous voice vote. The next Council meeting will take place on Monday, April 19th at 7:00 pm.

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Phil Jenkins, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jeff Knight, Clerk of the Council