

CITY OF WHITING – JULY 10, 2012

MINUTES OF A RESCHEDULED REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHITING, INDIANA

The Common Council of the City of Whiting met in rescheduled regular session on Tuesday, July 10, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Stahura presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by the invocation from Councilman Stolman. A moment of silence was observed in memory of former City Councilman Andy Hanis, who passed away recently.

I. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Jennings, Michko, Sarvanidis, Spebar, Stolman, and Zubeck were present. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Adam, City Attorney Sejna and interested citizens.

Councilwoman Greer was unable to attend the meeting.

Mayor Stahura read aloud in its entirety Notice of today's rescheduled meeting, which was faxed to the Post Tribune and The Times on July 2, 2012, by Clerk-Treasurer Adam. The meeting was changed due to schedule conflicts with Fourth of July events.

II. MINUTES

Mayor Stahura asked for consideration of the minutes of the June 5, 2012, regular Common Council meeting.

Councilman Spebar made the following correction to said minutes:

- Page 4, *Ordinances and Resolutions*, last paragraph: change the phrase 'Downtown Districts Special Zone' to 'Downtown Business Special Zone' in both instances.

Councilman Spebar moved to approve said minutes, as amended. Councilman Jennings seconded the motion. Roll Call: (All) Councilmembers Jennings, Michko, Sarvanidis, Spebar, and Zubeck voted aye. Councilman Stolman abstained from voting, due to his absence at said meeting. Vote: 5 ayes, no nays, 1 abstention. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Stahura asked for consideration of the minutes of the June 19, 2012, special Common Council meeting.

Councilwoman Michko moved to approve said minutes, as submitted. Councilman Zubeck seconded the motion. Roll Call: (Voice) All Councilmembers voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

III. COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, MEMORIALS OR REMONSTRANCES

Mayor Stahura stated that Councilman Hanis, who passed away a few weeks ago, loved the City and certainly always placed Whiting and its citizens first.

IV. REPORT OF THE MAYOR

Mayor Stahura informed the Council that he will be out of town on July 24th.

V. STANDING COMMITTEES

Councilman Sarvanidis stated that Resolution No. CC-2012-10, which approves an Interlocal Agreement for purposes of managing City solid waste disposal, will be presented for Council consideration.

Councilman Spebar stated that Ordinance No. CC-2012-1879, which amends the beach No Parking areas, will be presented for possible all three readings.

VI. REPORT OF THE CLERK-TREASURER

Clerk-Treasurer Adam presented Civil City Accounts Payable Vouchers Checks #14920 - #15006 inclusive and electronic checks #5-#7E, and Payrolls #32-34 for approval.

Councilman Stolman moved to approve said Checks and Payrolls for payment; seconded by Councilman Zubeck. Roll Call: (Voice) All Councilmembers voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

VII. REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

No report was given.

VIII. SPECIAL COMMITTEES

No report was given.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

X. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Councilman Sarvanidis presented Resolution No. CC-2012-10, which authorizes Mayor Stahura to enter into an agreement with the Lake County Solid Waste Management District with the purpose of managing disposal of solid waste in a more cost-effective manner. The Agreement will last for not less than 20 years, and the City will possibly receive reimbursement monies based on their level of participation in the program.

Hearing no questions, Councilman Sarvanidis read Resolution No. CC-2012-10 by title only.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ENTRY INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROPERLY AND RESPONSIBLY MANAGING SOLID WASTE AMONG THE MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA

Councilman Sarvanidis moved to adopt Resolution No. CC-2012-10; seconded by Councilman Jennings. Roll Call: (All) Councilmembers Jennings, Michko, Sarvanidis, Spebar, Stolman and Zubeck voted aye. Vote: 6 ayes, no nays, no abstentions. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Stahura noted that this Agreement is not being viewed positively in the local press, not because of the procedure or intent, but because of the contractors/vendors developing the project. If the Agreement goes through, Whiting has a chance to reduce its solid waste removal costs by 50%.

Councilman Sarvanidis added that this Agreement is non-binding. Councilman Jennings voiced his support of this program, and gave examples of how it can help smaller communities.

Councilman Spebar stated that Ordinance No. CC-2012-1879 amends the No Beach Parking areas to include the following:

- 1700 block of Central Avenue
- 1800 block of Sheridan Avenue

In order to implement this Ordinance as soon as possible, the emergency clause is attached.

Hearing no questions or comments, Councilman Spebar read Ordinance No. CC-2012-1879 by title only for first reading.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WHITING, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA TO AMEND THE WHITING MUNICIPAL CODE PROVISIONS REGARDING BEACH PARKING AND THE RESIDENT ONLY PARKING SCHEDULE AND ANY ORDINANCES APPLICABLE THERETO AND TO DECLARE AN EXTRAORDINARY EMERGENCY

Councilman Spebar moved to pass Ordinance No. CC-2012-1879 to second reading. Councilman Stolman seconded the motion. Roll Call: (Voice) All Councilmembers voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Spebar read Ordinance No. CC-2012-1879 by title only for second reading.

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Councilman Spebar moved for suspension of rules for possible third reading on Ordinance No. CC-2012-1879. Councilman Zubeck seconded the motion. Roll Call: (All) Councilmembers Jennings, Michko, Sarvanidis, Spebar, Stolman and Zubeck voted aye. Vote: 6 ayes, no nays, no abstentions. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Spebar moved to pass Ordinance No. CC-2012-1879 to third and final reading. Councilwoman Michko seconded the motion. Roll Call: (All) Councilmembers Jennings, Michko, Sarvanidis, Spebar, Stolman and Zubeck voted aye. Vote: 6 ayes, no nays, no abstentions. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Spebar read Ordinance No. CC-2012-1879 by title only for third and final reading.

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XI. NEW BUSINESS

After discussion, Councilman Sarvanidis moved to hold a special meeting of the Common Council on Tuesday, July 24, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. to approve claims and other business. Councilman Spebar seconded the motion. Roll Call: (Voice) All Councilmembers voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

XII. PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Bryan Ciers of 1831 LaPorte Avenue asked if there will be resident parking stickers in the No Beach Parking areas. There will not be stickers; the officer writing the parking ticket will identify the beachgoers.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further matters to come before the Common Council, Councilman Sarvanidis moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. Councilwoman Michko seconded the motion. Roll Call: (Voice) All Councilmembers voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

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MARK S. ADAM, Clerk-Treasurer