

CITY OF WHITING –MARCH 3, 2015

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

The Common Council of the City of Whiting met in regular session on Tuesday, March 3, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Stahura presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by the invocation from Councilman Jennings.

I. ROLL CALL

Mayor Stahura, Councilmembers Jennings, Michko, Sarvanidis, Spebar, Stolman and Zubeck were present, constituting a quorum. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Haynes, City Attorney Sejna and interested citizens.

Councilwoman Greer was unable to attend.

II. MINUTES

Mayor Stahura asked for consideration of minutes February 17, 2015 regular Common Council Meeting.

Councilman Zubeck made a motion to accept the minutes from the February 17, 2015 meeting. Councilman Jennings seconded the motion. Roll Call: (All) Council members Jennings, Michko, Sarvanidis, Stolman, and Zubeck voted aye. Vote: 5 ayes, no nays, Councilman Spebar abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

III. COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, MEMORIALS OR REMONSTRANCES

None.

IV. REPORT OF THE MAYOR

None.

V. STANDING COMMITTEES

None.

VI. REPORT OF THE CLERK-TREASURER

Clerk-Treasurer Haynes presented Civil City Accounts Payable Voucher Check #s 19153- 19196 inclusive for approval.

Councilwoman Michko moved to approve said Accounts Payable Voucher Checks as submitted for payment. Councilman Stolman seconded the motion. Roll Call: (Voice) All Councilmembers voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

VII. REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

Attorney Sejna reminds the council of the memo that was forwarded to them for the salary increase of the executive branch and requests that it be addressed under new business.

VIII. SPECIAL COMMITTEES

None.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

X. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

None.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Spebar introduced a memorandum submitted by Attorney Sejna regarding the executive salary increase for the offices of the Mayor. Under the terms of Ordinance No. CC-2014-1922, an elected official possessing a relevant professional certification from a generally accepted professional association is entitled to receive Level 2 compensation. Attached to this memorandum is as follows:

1. The Gold Level Certification in the Mayors Institute Program issued by the Indiana University School of Public and Environmental Affairs; and
2. Certified Municipal Official in the Municipal Management Institute issued by the Indiana Association of Cities and Towns.

Councilman Spebar asked the Council to acknowledge and approve the Mayor's increase in salary per Ordinance No. CC-2014-1922. Councilman Sarvanidis seconded the motion. Roll Call: (Voice) All Councilmembers voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Spebar makes a motion that the procedure for Community Development Block Grant Funds be addressed at the next Council meeting and for the Clerk-Treasurer to send notice of a Public Hearing on the CDBG Funds. Councilman Zubeck seconded the motion. Roll Call: (Voice) All Councilmembers voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

XII. PUBLIC DISCUSSION

None.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further matters to come before the Common Council, Councilwoman Michko moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. Councilman Stolman seconded the motion. Roll Call: (Voice) All Councilmembers voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

John T. Haynes, Clerk-Treasurer