

Minutes
Seymour Common Council
June 12, 2023

The June 12th, 2023, City Council was called to order by Mayor Matt Nicholson at 7:00pm. Invocation was given by Pastor Ken Davidson and the Pledge of Allegiance to the nation's flag was recited. A virtual option was available.

Members Present: Mayor Matt Nicholson, Clerk/Treasurer Darrin Boas, Matt Wheeler, Jerry Hackney, Dave Earley, Brett Cunningham, City Attorney Chris Engleking, Drew Storey, Police Chief O'Brien, Media January Rutherford, Tribune Zack Spicer, Les Linz, DPW Director Chad Dixon, and soon to be Assistant Fire Chief Eric Roll.

On a motion by Mr. Hackney, seconded by Mr. Wheeler, the minutes from the May 22th council meeting were approved.

Reports from Committees, Boards, and Commissions

- Councilman Davidson requested the following Compliance with Statement of Benefits be brought off the table, seconded by Councilman Earley, approved 6-0-1. On a motion by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Earley, the Statement was read.
 1. SBE Property Group LLC, 806 F Ave, 1 Real Estate, Glen Sawyer. There were errors on the form presented at the last council meeting, and they have now been corrected. On a motion by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Earley, the compliance was accepted 6-0-1.

Public Hearing

- None to report.

Old Business

- None to report.

New Business

- Councilman Storey introduced Ordinance No. 13, Council Bill No 26, seconded by Councilman Wheeler, and ordinance to amend Chapter 74, Schedule III, Table F, of the Seymour City Code. This is to add 5 stop signs on the Burkart Bypass through Freeman Field. On a motion by Mr. Storey, seconded by Mr. Cunningham, the Ordinance passed first reading 6-0-1.

At this time, a motion was made by Mr. Storey to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Cunningham, and approved 6-0-1 (Mr. Hubbard was absent). On a motion by Mr. Storey, seconded by Mr. Cunningham, the request for the seconded reading of Ordinance No. 13, Council Bill No. 26, was approved 6-0-1. There was no new discussion, so on a motion by Mr. Storey, seconded by Mr. Cunningham, the Ordinance was approved on second reading 6-0-1.

Miscellaneous Business

- Councilman Davidson discussed an issue from resident Gary Colglazier regarding the lack of speed limit signs on Westgate Road and the excessive speed he notices. A radar has been placed on the one speed limit sign heading west past Manor Drive, and based on 4 days of data, the average speed clocked is below the limit, but there are several exceeding the limit. This led to discussion of W 9th Street and 950E, other areas citizens had voiced concern. After reviewing radar results in these areas, Police Chief O'Brien said his team has been directed to spend some extra time on these streets to slow down speeders. Greg has been asked to report back at the next Council meeting. It was also requested by Mr. Storey for the City Attorney to draft an ordinance for possibly raising the speed limit on 950 E (prior County Road now in City limits), with final confirmation to come.
- Les Linz shared the Gathering and drive through Prayer program went well. Les also offered an idea of breathalyzers to be placed in the local bars/taverns and are any Grants available for something like this, and he would be happy to help. Les felt this would help public safety and reduce insurance liability to business owners.
- The Mayor recognized the soon to be Assistant Fire Chief Eric Roll. He will assume this position July 2nd. Congratulations!

Adjournment

- On a motion by Mr. Hackney, seconded by Mr. Cunningham, the meeting was properly adjourned.

Mayor Matt Nicholson

Attest: Darrin Boas, Clerk/Treasurer