

# Minutes

## Seymour Common Council

December 11, 2023

The December 11, 2023 City Council was called to order by Mayor Matt Nicholson at 7:00pm. The invocation was given by Rev. Josh Haugen 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, Seth Davidson, Dave Earley, Chad Hubbard, Brett Cunningham, City Attorney Chris Engleking Police Chief Greg O'Brien, Fire Chief Eric Roll, Tribune Aubry Woods, Brad Lucas, Les Linz, Clint Blish, Parks Admin Tracy Cole, Ally Wheeler, 2<sup>nd</sup> Deputy Melissa Herndon, Tyler Hinkle, Georgiann Coons and family, Fireman Caleb McKinney, and Chad Keithley via Zoom.

On a motion made by Mr. Hackney, seconded by Mr. Wheeler, the minutes for the November 27, 2023, Council meeting were approved.

### Reports from Committees, Boards, and Commissions

- None to Report

### Public Hearing

- The Mayor opened a public hearing authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds for the purpose of providing funds to pay for certain Capital Improvements and incidental expenses in connection therewith and on account of the issuance of the bonds. There were no comments or discussion from the audience or council. The Mayor properly closed the public hearing.

### Old Business

- Councilman Cunningham introduced Ordinance No. 31, Council Bill No. 54 (2023), seconded by Councilman Wheeler, an Ordinance to rezone (R1 to I2) property located at 1060 E. 16<sup>th</sup> St., Seymour, IN. This is a 40 ft wide track next to Hampton Towing which they bought. This was given a favorable recommendation by the Planning Commission. On a motion by Mr. Cunningham, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, the Ordinance passed the second reading 6-0-1.
- Councilman Hackney introduced Ordinance No. 29, Council Bill No. 50 (2023), seconded by Councilman Wheeler, an Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Seymour, Indiana, for final reading. This ordinance Authorizes the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds for the Purpose of Providing Funds to Pay for Certain Capital Improvements and Incidental Expenses in Connection Therewith and on Account of the Issuance of the Bonds. This bond will replace the 2020 Capital bond that will be paid off this year. Primary uses for the bond are

for Police vehicles and a replacement firetruck. On a motion by Mr. Hackney, seconded by Mr. Wheeler, the Ordinance passed final reading 6-0-1.

### **New Business**

- Councilman Hackney introduced Resolution No. 24, Council Bill No. 56 (2023), seconded by Councilman Wheeler, a Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Seymour, IN, approving the Transfer of Funds for Health Care Insurance. This is for \$300,000 from 4 various funds. On a motion by Mr. Hackney, seconded by Mr. Earley, the resolution passed 6-0-1.

### **Miscellaneous business**

- Les Linz presented Certificates of Appreciation to Council President Dave Earley and Councilman Bret Cunningham for their service to the City as this is their last council meetings. The Mayor followed this up with service awards to the 2 members, a Thank you, and a round of applause. Thank you for your service!
- Resident Georgiann Pfaffenberger Coons spoke requesting a road (CR 975 E) on the boundaries of the recently annexed area (Ashwood) a be renamed Joan Road after her Mother. The roads in this area have been named after various members of her family, as the Pfaffenberger family developed this addition. The request will be forwarded to the Thorofare and Drainage committee for review and will provide a recommendation to Council. The Mayor put a hold on the planned name change (signage) until this request is evaluated.
- As of now, there appears to be nothing on the horizon for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Council meeting this month. On a motion by Councilman Earley, seconded by Councilman Hubbard, the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting for the month is cancelled pending nothing pressing come up the next 2 weeks. The motion passed 6-0-1.

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

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Mayor Matt Nicholson

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Attest: Darrin Boas, Clerk/Treasurer