

**CITY OF MADISON
COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES**

August 2, 2022

The Common Council of the City of Madison, Indiana, met at 5:30 P.M. at City Hall, 101 W Main Street.

Mayor Courtney opened the meeting with the Lord's Prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present: Thevenow, Krebs, L. Dattilo, Schafer, D. Dattilo, and Chatham (6-0). Approved absences: Bartlett

MINUTES:

D. Dattilo made a motion to approve the July 19th, 2022, minutes, seconded by Krebs. All in favor, motion carried (6-0).

NEW BUSINESS:

**PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, MEMORIALS, REMONSTRANCE'S,
INTRODUCTION OF MOTION & GUESTS:**

Director of Community Relations: Hannah Fagen honored all summer interns for the City of Madison for their hard work.

Mayor Courtney proclaimed August 2022, Safe Passage Month. Safe Passage is an organization that provides support to sexual assault and domestic violence victims.

RESOLUTIONS OR BILLS:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2022-15
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA AMENDING CERTAIN PORTIONS
OF ORDINANCE 2008-16 DISASTER MITIGATION FUND**

**REPORTS, RECOMMENDATIONS, AND OTHER BUSINESS FROM
STANDING/SELECT COMMITTEES OF CITY COUNCIL: None**

REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS:

Associate Director of Economic Development: Alyssa Foltz presented a riverfront liquor license request from the Red Bicycle Hall. They have met the requirements for the guidelines. This venue attracts tourist through their live performances and enhance the quality of life in Madison. They plan to be a first-class music hall for the region and the venue is used for live music, weddings, and other events. Mayor Courtney described the Red Bicycle Hall as regional destination as it attracts people from all surrounding areas.

Thevenow made a motion to approve the riverfront liquor license for the Ohio Theatre, seconded by Schafer. All in favor, motion carried (6-0).

Director of Planning: Nicole Schell stated Landon Ralston has been hired as the new building inspector. Clifty Drive is undergoing right-of-way purchasing and engineering to make way for the new sidewalks that will be installed. Construction has begun on the second floor of city hall as part of the National Trust Grant which will complete flooring, walls, and windows. The city was recently awarded a grant from the National Parks Service. These funds will be used to complement the City's PACE program. Nicole Schell also presented an update on READI. 2.5 million dollars has recently been allocated to the City's Destination Development Project and our region, which includes five counties, received the maximum award of 50 million dollars from the state. There are six total projects, but only three are going to be receiving READI funds. The first project that will receive funding is the US 421 Gateway Park Project. This project will include green spaces, additional parking, spaces for golf carts, bike racks, drinking fountains, and local pieces of art. This project will be put up for bid and the estimated completion date is May 2023. The second project is the Mulberry Street Arts Corridor Project. There will be charging spaces available for electric vehicles. The city is still deciding on the issue of contracting to charge people to use these stations. In addition to the Mulberry Street lot, the city will be improving the Main Street Comfort Station Lot. The plan is to stripe it, add greenery, and add security lights. This project will be put up for bid and the estimated completion date is May 2023. The third project that will receive funding is the amphitheater, however the city is unsure of how much this project will receive.

Deputy Mayor: Mindy McGee presented an update on Oak Hill. The project is now in phase two. All Star Paving is expected to have concrete work completed in August and the planning for a neighborhood park has begun. Tony Steinhardt stated there will be new sidewalks, basketball courts, and some additional parking. A shelter house will also be placed in the center of the park. A playground will be included, and the city has requested the Community Foundation contribution to the Oak Hill Park. In addition, a dog park has been requested and a local employer is willing to contribute to this project. An additional grant application has been submitted through Gametime, a national organization for playground equipment. Lastly, a draft of the budget books was presented to Council in preparation for the budget workshop.

Regular council meeting was adjourned to open public hearing:

Public Hearing regarding Additional Appropriation for Aviation Grant Matching Fund 367 Opened:

Airport Manager Brent Spry explained that this is additional monies from the fence project, which began in 2020. Due to the pandemic, the project is still in the process of being closed out. Clerk Treasurer Rampy explained that the City's match was \$2,490.61, while the FAA's contribution was 44,830.98. The states match was the same as the City's match. This match is part of the close out of the project. The total amount for the project was 1.3 million dollars and 11 thousand feet of fence was added.

Public Hearing Adjourned and regular city council meeting resumed.

Airport Manager: Brent Spry discussed the airport hosted Aviation Indiana. There were several speakers that discussed business development and how the airport is a gateway to the community. A project has begun where the asphalt will be replaced with concrete, the medical helicopter is staying busy, and fuel sales are going well. The airport is preparing for the Air Show in September and a Berlin airlift will be present. That will be available as a flying museum. The water project has just been completed and will be beneficial to development of the airport.

BILLS ON SECOND READING:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2022-11
ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2022-12
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA ESTABLISHING THE NUISANCE ABATEMENT
NONREVERTING FUND**

Nicole Schell explained that funds collected from the property owners to pay for the any City abatement falls into the unsafe building fund and it does not go back into paying the contractors. The reason for this NRO fund is because these funds must be appropriated out of City funds, instead of using the funds collected to cover the fees.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2022-13
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA ESTABLISHING THE PLANNING, PRESERVATION,
& DESIGN NONREVERTING FUND**

Nicole Schell explained that all funds and fees for the department fall into the General Fund. This NRO fund would allow the planning department to cover the cost of professional services. This would still be appropriated through the Council process. This fund would be established like other department's NRO funds.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2022-14
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA AMENDING 96.99 OF THE CITY OF MADISON
NUISANCES, HEALTH, AND SAFETY; 98.06 OF THE CITY OF MADISON STREETS
AND SIDEWALKS; 150.24 OF THE CITY OF MADISON BUILDING REGULATIONS;
153 OF THE CITY OF MADISON SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS; AND 155 SECTION
11.60 OF THE CITY OF MADISON ZONING ORDINANCE**

Nicole Schell explained that this ordinance is for modifications to fee structures. Primarily the request for these fees is to cover City costs. The fees do not currently cover the cost of staff time and she is requesting that some application fees be increased to help cover additional costs. Other costs include appeals fee and one of the largest changes in the fee structure is for building permits. A reinspection fee will be added, and the cost of printing was another large change. A new scanner was purchased, and the planning department covers fees on paper and printing. Other departments will be charged for the use of the scanner and printer.

Schafer motioned to amend Ordinance 2022-14 to add 155 to the body, seconded by Thevenow. All in favor, motion carried (6-0).

MISCELLANEOUS: None


MAYOR'S COMMENTS: Mayor Courtney mentioned that the second installment for the ARPA plan by the end of August and an amendment is being worked on to incorporate recommendations on appropriation of monies. Priorities for the balance of the year will be discussed at the next Council meeting and Mayor Courtney invited Council to contact him with any additional priorities that they would like to incorporate for 2022 and 2023. The restoration plan for Crystal Beach will be brought to Council, along with the Parks Board. The pool house is almost complete, delays have occurred due to supply chain issues. The City has been working with engineers and consultants on issues with the pool and is hoping to open for the 2023 swim season.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Lisa Ferguson discussed how things worked within the public school system and mentioned that while budget is being discussed, to think about lights and security cameras.

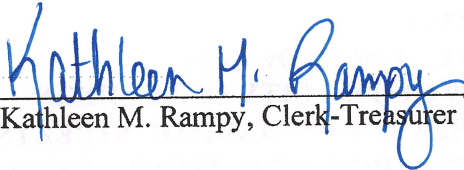
Next meeting will be held on Tuesday August 16th, 2022, at 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURN: D. Dattilo motioned to adjourn, seconded by Krebs All in favor (6-0).

APPROVED:



President Pro Tempore,



Kathleen M. Rampy, Clerk-Treasurer

