



MADISON *Indiana*

Common Council Minutes

MEETING DATE: March 7, 2023

MEETING PLACE: Madison City Hall – Council Chambers

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

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

Present: Thevenow, L. Dattilo, J. Bartlett, D. Dattilo, J. Schafer, and Krebs. Chatham was absent and excused. (6-1).

Minutes: Bartlett moved to approve February 21, 2023, minutes, seconded by Thevenow. All in favor, motion carried (6-0).

Presentation of petitions, memorials, remonstrances, introduction of motion & guests:

MPD Swearing in of 2 Officers – Brad Demaree and Ryen Ware: John Wallace, the City of Madison's Chief of Police, addressed the council to swear in 2 new hires for the Madison Police Department and to address an incident that had happened at Madison Consolidated Junior High that morning. Wallace explained that at about 8:00 am today dispatch received a call about a potentially serious threat that had been made to the school. Officers responded quickly, secured the facility, and investigated. The MPD was able to take two juveniles into custody as a result of the investigation and they are being charged with intimidation of the school. Wallace then called Ryen Ware and Bradley Demaree up to introduce them to the council and swear them in as new MPD officers. Both are tier 1 officers, meaning they have both already been through academy training and graduation and can start as officers as soon as possible. Mayor Bob Courtney swore both officers in.

Public Hearing Regarding the Alley Vacation for 117 Ferry Street: The City of Madison Attorney, Joe Jenner, introduced this topic as a platted alley that is somewhere between what used to be the Shrimp House and their parking lot. It is virtually all one piece of property and has been maintained that way for some time. In the deed, dating back to at least 60 years, there is a reference to this portion and this alley as being part of this entire property. However, through a title search, they could not find any action ever recorded or taken by the city council. Through some clean-up, there may be some potential prospects for the sale of this property. BPW took official action recommending the vacation of the set alley.

Resolutions or bills:

RESOLUTION 3C-2023: ACCEPT SUNRISE CROSSING BLVD AS STREET

An agreement signed by the Developer, Madison Plaza Group, LLC, and the City of Madison, Indiana on March 1, 2022, sets that the Developer shall designate, grant, and transfer to the City of Madison a developed portion of the recent commercial development known as the "Shoppes at Sunrise Crossing" to be dedicated and utilized as a City street. The street shall be dedicated and utilized for public use and

shall hereafter be considered property of the City of Madison. The street shall be named "Sunrise Crossing Boulevard." The street will be added to the street and road inventory.

Schafer moved to approve Ordinance 3C-2023, seconded by Bartlett. All in favor, motion carried (6-0).

Roll Call Vote: Bartlett – Y, Krebs – Y, Schafer – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, Thevenow – Y, D. Dattilo – Y (6-0). Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 3-2023: VACATING ALLEY AT 117 FERRY ST.

Following their meeting on February 21, 2023, BPW recommends the Common Council adopts an ordinance regarding the vacation of the ally at 117 Ferry Street.

ORDINANCE 4-2023: ESTABLISHING THE AVIATION ROTARY FUND

The City of Madison previously adopted an ordinance creating a Board of Aviation Commissioners for oversight and governance of the City of Madison Municipal Airport. The airport currently provides and sells aviation-related fuel and lubricants. The airport now desires to create an Aviation Rotary Fund under IC 8-22-2-7(c). All funds received from the sale of fuels and lubricants purchased with funds from the Aviation Rotary Fund will be turned over at least once a month to the Clerk-Treasurer to remain in the Fund and to be checked by the Board of Aviation Commissioners for the sole purpose of purchasing fuels and lubricants for sale to the public in the operation of the airport. The whole purpose is to track fuel sales and to determine what the profits are.

Reports, recommendations, and other business from standing/select committees of City Council:
None.

Report of city officials: Katie Rampy, the City of Madison's Clerk-Treasurer, gave the council a Treasurer's report. Katie provided the council with a finalization from Reedy Financial. The general fund has been fully reconciled, and the city continues to work with Reedy on the reconciliation of the remaining funds, which is very close to completion. Katie mentioned that there is no statutory deadline for closing the year, but there is a statutory requirement to publish it and that is why it was published in the paper. The end-of-the-year balance for the general fund was \$426,217.00, and the city's year-end bank balances exceeded \$18,000,000.00. The annual financial report was required to be submitted to Gateway by March 1, 2023, and the deadline was met. Any changes can be requested and fulfilled. It is the city's goal and intention to have a fund and appropriation report to the council by the next city council meeting on March 20, 2023. In the month of April, Reedy is planning on scheduling a meeting with all of the council members to review their year-end 2020 data and possibly their Q1 2023 data. A policy presented as an ordinance regarding internal controls will be presented to the council by April 18, 2023.

Bills on third reading: None.

Bills on second reading: None.

Public comment: Charles Cady(?), with the Unified Senior Citizens of Jefferson County, is providing services in Jefferson County and also looking for a building on the hilltop. They have a lot of plans for Jefferson County, including bringing back Meals on Wheels and ride shares for senior citizens.

Mayor's comments: Mayor Courtney is hosting a State of the City Address on Thursday, March 9, 2023, at the Fairfield Inn in Madison, Indiana. The address will focus on the past year and what has been accomplished, as well as what is to come for the future of Madison. Courtney also wanted to send his condolences to the BPW board member Dave Carlow's family and Councilman Josh Schafer's family for the passing of one of their family members. The city has been working on some openings on its

committee roster. There were recently two county appointments to the Plan Commission, Rick Ferris and Zack Laughlin. Yesterday, at the BPW meeting, the board acted on something that they had been working on for over a year which was the execution of three grant agreements that will allow the city to move forward with its partnerships with the Ohio Theater Façade restoration, the Hanover-Madison Connector Trail, and Bicentennial parking lot improvements. The Redevelopment Commission took the first steps toward creating a new Tiff allocation area, which will be known as the riverfront allocation area. Mayor Courtney will be attending a dinner meeting with the state legislators because they are now halfway through the 2023 legislative session and there are a lot of bills that they have been closely monitoring and advocating for or against on behalf of the City of Madison.

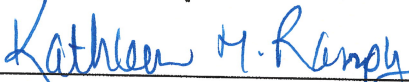
The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 21, 2023, @ 5:30 pm in City Hall.

Adjourn: Krebs moved to adjourn, seconded by Schafer. All in favor (6-0).

Attested:



President Pro Tempore



Kathleen M. Rampy, Clerk-Treasurer