

Common Council Minutes

MEETING DATE: April 4, 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, J. Bartlett, D. Dattilo, J. Schafer, Krebs, L. Dattilo and Chatham (7-0).

Minutes: Schafer moved to approve March 21, 2023, minutes, seconded by Bartlett. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Presentation of petitions, memorials, remonstrances, introduction of motion & guests: None.

Resolutions or bills:

Ordinance 2023-5 – Establishing Nonreverting Fund for READI Grants (Krebs)

The City of Madison wishes to establish funds to deposit monies and pay expenses related to the Hanover-Madison Connector Trail READI grant project, the Indiana Music City Amphitheater READI grant project, and the Ohio Theatre READI granny project. With the approval from the council, accounts for each project will be established for the purpose of depositing monies from the granting agency, appropriations from city accounts, or from any lawful source for paying the required obligations for the City of Madison on the accepted grants. The accounts shall be named the Hanover-Madison Connector Trail READI Grant Non-reverting Fund, Indiana Music City Amphitheater READI Grant Non-reverting Fund, and the Ohio Theatre READI Grant Non-reverting Fund. The accounts will exist unless terminated by the council. If the account is terminated, the remaining balance of the terminated account shall revert to the general budget of the council.

Ordinance 2023-6 - Establishing Nonreverting Fund for Public Arts Commission (Bartlett)

The City of Madison wishes to establish a fund in order to deposit grant funds and other funds and pay expenses on marketing, grant matches, public art installations, beautification of public areas, travel, and special projects for the promotion and recruitment of public arts. With the approval from the council, an account is established for the purpose of depositing monies from donations, grants, and appropriations from city accounts or from any lawful source for paying the required obligations for the City of Madison Public Arts Commission. The account shall be named the Public Arts Commission non-reverting fund. All funds in the account shall be expended only for the purpose of paying expenses related to marketing, grant matches, public art installations, beautification of public areas, travel, and special projects for the promotion and recruitment of public arts. The account will exist unless terminated by the council. If the account is terminated, the remaining balance of the terminated account shall revert to the general budget of the council.

Ordinance 2023-7 – Amendment to Ordinance 2022-7 Establishing Economic Development Nonreverting Fund (L. Dattilo)

The City of Madison wishes to amend the fund in order to deposit grant funds and other funds and pay expenses on marketing, marketing strategies, research, grant matches, travel, and special projects for retention and attraction of businesses to the community. With the approval from the council, an account will be established for the purpose of depositing monies from Riverfront District License Fees, donations, grants, and appropriations from city accounts or from any lawful source for paying required obligations to the City of Madison Economic Development. The account shall be named the Economic Development non-reverting fund. All funds contained in the account shall be expended only for the exclusive purpose of paying expenses related to marketing, marketing strategies, research, grant matches, travel, and projects associated with the retention and attraction of business ventures. The account will exist unless terminated by the council. If the account is terminated, the remaining balance shall revert to the general budget of the council.

Reports, recommendations, and other business from standing/select committees of City Council:

Riverfront Liquor License Renewals for Red on Main and Rivertown Grille: Associate Director of Economic Development, Emily McKinney, presented the council with two liquor license renewals for Red on Main and Rivertown Grille. The mayor and the Economic Development department recommended that Red on Main and Rivertown Grille be approved for their Riverfront Liquor License Renewals for a one-year extension.

Thevenow moved to approve the recommendation for a one-year extension on Riverfront Liquor License Renewals for Red on Main and Rivertown Grille, seconded by D. Dattilo. All in favor, motion carried (7-0). Roll Call Vote: Thevenow – Y, Krebs – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, Schafer – Y, Chatham – Y, Bartlett – Y, D. Dattilo – Y. Motion Carried.

Board Appointments (HDBR): The mayor presented the council with two nominations for the Historic District Board of Review. Ken McWilliams would be a returning member of the HDBR and Michael Zinc. These two nominations would fill the two vacancies remaining on the HDBR.

Bartlett moved to approve the recommended appointments for HDBR, seconded by Thevenow. All in favor, motion carried (7-0). Roll Call Vote: Thevenow – Y, Krebs – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, Schafer – Y, Chatham – Y, Bartlett – Y, D. Dattilo – Y. Motion Carried.

Report of city officials:

Clerk-Treasurer Katie Rampy – Treasurer's Report: The Clerk's Office is continuing to work on reconciliation. MVH, LRS, and Aviation were just completed in keyfund, and all accounts are reconciled on Excel sheets, but not in the system. This is due to issues with the server speed. The city's contracted IT providers, The Purple Guys, have been contacted and assessed the office needs and will be ordering a new server soon. The General fund, which is also the largest fund, is balanced on paper through December 2022 and will be balanced in keyfund through October tomorrow. As stated in Reedy's last letter to the council, the Internal Controls Policy will be presented to the council at April 18, 2023, meeting.

Deputy Mayor Mindy McGee – Staffing Update: 2021-2, the Oakhill Project, close-out is almost complete. The final amount returned to INDOT from the project was approximately \$37,000.00 of unused funds. Once INDOT receives the check they will issue a letter confirming the close-out is complete. Mindy has applied for 2023-1. Applications were due January 27, 2023. In order to gualify, the city has to have the

Title VI, ADA Transition Plan, and Road Asset Management Plan up to date, as well as the close-out of all finalized. An announcement is expected in late April/early May. The sidewalk project will continue into spring from the fall sidewalk project. INDOT Slide Correction project taking place on State Road 7, aka, Hanging Rock Hill. This is a similar project to what was done a few years ago. The project includes work on storm structures, pipes, and installation of soil nail walls, milling, paving, and re-striping. The current schedule shows road closure through October 31, 2023, but the anticipated completion date is actually July 25, 2023. Mindy also provided the council with a list of other projects going on around the community. Mindy introduced Scott Klein, the city's new Director of Parks and Recreation, to the council and to the public.

Bills on third reading: None.

Bills on second reading: None.

Public comment: Lisa Ferguson, 718 E Second St, presented the council with a request to line Vaughn Drive with the proper-sized American flags. Melissa Gaith, Mulberry and First St, wanted the council to know someone is going to possibly get hurt from the people dismissing stop signs and the traffic involved with the Central Hotel Bar.

Mayor's comments: Mayor Courtney wished everyone a happy Easter weekend. The mayor has a preliminary call with the Army Corps of Engineers to discuss some preliminary data and findings for the Crooked Creek watershed. The city continues to work on the excavation permitting process. They intend to bring an amendment to the streets and sidewalks ordinance that was approved by the council in 1966. Mayor Courtney extended congratulations to Dattilo Fruit Market for celebrating almost 95 years of continuous business on Main Street.

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, @ 5:30 pm in City Hall.

Adjourn: Thevenow moved to adjourn, seconded by Krebs. All in favor (7-0).

Attested:

President Pro Tempore

Kathleen M. Rampy, Clerk-Treasurer