



MADISON *Indiana*

Common Council Minutes

MEETING DATE: May 16, 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, Krebs, L. Dattilo, J. Schafer, and Chatham (7-0).

Minutes: Thevenow moved to approve May 3, 2023, minutes, seconded by Krebs. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

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

Proclamation for National Police Week – Mayor Courtney recognized Chief Shane Caldwell, Hanover Police, Chief John Wallace, Madison Police, Sheriff Ben Flint, Jefferson County Sheriff's Dept. and Sgt. Adam Bullock with ISP and read a proclamation declaring the week in which May 15th falls, as National Police Week.

Resolutions or bills:

Resolution 2023-4C: Adopting the Jefferson County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan: The Common Jefferson County EMA has prepared a multi-hazard mitigation plan, known as the "Jefferson County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan" following federal laws, including the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, and the National Dam Safety Program Act. The Plan identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in the City of Madison from the impacts of future hazards or disasters.

Bartlett moved to approve the Resolution as submitted, seconded by Krebs. **Roll Call Vote:** L. Dattilo – Y, Schafer – Y, Chatham – Y, Bartlett – Y, D. Dattilo – Y, Krebs – Y, Thevenow – Y. All in favor, motion passes (7-0).

Ordinance 2023-10: Repealing and Replacing Ord. 2013-2 regarding Garbage Collection (Krebs):

The Common Council enacted Ordinance No. 2013-2 on April 2, 2013, regarding garbage collection. It has been recommended that the amendments outlined in Exhibit A of Ordinance 2013-2 be made to certain sections of Chapter 50. Mayor Courtney presented an outline of a trash study describing the deficit trends and proposed solutions.

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

Council: Councilman Patrick Thevenow: The Council Traffic Committee met at City Hall and put together a list of recommendations for stop sign placement and speed limit changes they would like to see made around town. They will be getting those to everyone soon.

Report of city officials: Clerk-Treasurer, Katie Rampy: 2022 is reconciled and closed. The year ended and closed well with \$460,000.00 in the general fund and \$19,000,000.00 in the bank. SBOA is here currently auditing 2022. The current staff in the Clerk's office are doing a fantastic job of learning their roles and they are focused on correct processes and accuracy. The Clerk's office does continue to work with Reedy Financial. All staff are attending training as it becomes available through AIM. The office has hired a part-time previous Clerk-Treasurer, and her expertise is in grants and grant management. She is working with department heads to ensure that grant tracking becomes centrally managed by the Clerk's office. Budget forms have been dispersed to department heads, and we hope to have budgets completed long before the deadline.

Scott Klein, Director of Parks, and Recreation: The open position for Athletic Program Manager is now filled. Whitney Burdzilauskas was hired to fill that position. Brandon Lee resigned as superintendent of Sunrise Golf Course on April 28, 2023, and greenskeeper, Chris Taylor retired effective May 3, 2023. The Parks Department is in the process of negotiating with two individuals to fill those spots. T-ball and rookie leagues have started. About one hundred kids participate at Rucker Sports Complex four nights a week. The men's softball league also started on May 8, 2023, and they are playing on Mondays and Wednesdays. The church league will start in June. The swim program starts on June 5, 2023, at the Madison Consolidated High School. There are a total of 288 swim lesson slots available, and as of the date of this meeting, half of those slots have been filled. Water aerobics will also take place at the school four mornings a week, starting at 9 a.m. for eight weeks. There are no available slots as all twenty-four of them have been filled. Additionally, there are six individuals on the waiting list. There are seventeen different programs on RecDesk right now. Some of them have various levels of participation, so different age groups for youth baseball or football, for example. Sunrise Golf Course business is picking up as the weather is getting better. Currently, they are showing about \$287,000.00 in annual revenue against \$106,000.00 in expenses as of May 11, 2023. Madison Campground is also doing very well with a revenue of \$92,000.00 against the current year's expenses of \$5,200.00. The Oak Hill project is moving along very well. The playground apparatus is installed and complete, the pavilion is done, and the basketball court has been extended. The project is still waiting for benches, drinking fountains, fencing, and waste receptacles to be added. Gaines Park is about twenty percent complete. The basketball court has been repaved, the sidewalk from the back of the park to the front of the park is complete, and some of the fence posts are in. Crystal Beach Groundbreaking will be on June 13, 2023, at noon.

John Wallace, Chief of Police: The four new hires are all in week three of the Law Enforcement Academy and all reports indicate that they are doing well. The two new hires before them were already tier-one officers and have been assigned to their shifts. They are currently in the process of restructuring the ERT, Emergency Response Team, under the leadership of MPD officer Cameron Blankenship. Currently, fourteen officers have qualified for the ERT squad, and soon all will be attending a 40-hour basic SWAT course in Jeffersonville through the Norse Program. Officer Trent Smith, one of the K9 handlers, is in a K9 training school for the next several weeks, and once he returns, he will be a K9 trainer himself. In April, there were forty-six arrests, 121 citations, 152 warnings, 132 case reports, and 317 traffic stops for a total of 1,026 calls for the month of April.

Bills on third reading:

Ordinance 2023-8: Zoning Map Amendment 3910 Michigan Rd (Thevenow):

Roll Call Vote: Thevenow – Y, Krebs – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, Chatham – Y, Schafer – Y, Bartlett – Y, D. Dattilo – Y. All in favor, ordinance passes (7-0).

Bills on second reading:

Ordinance 2023-9: Repeal and Replace Chapter 98 Streets Sidewalks Ordinance: Schafer made a motion that 98.06 B(2)(d) of Ordinance 2023-9 be amended to add the word "or sidewalk" after the word "street," seconded by Krebs. All in favor, motion carries (7-0).

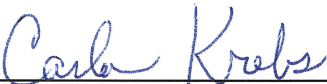
Public comment: None.

Mayor's comments: There was interesting legislation wrapped up recently as the General Assembly ended. There were quite a few bills this year that affect economic development and particularly the City of Madison's tax increment finance district, so special attention needs to be paid to those and work through Redevelopment Commission on making sure that revenues are being maximized. One thing that will affect the 2023 budget is that the General Assembly provided some property tax relief in the form of capping tax levy growth for municipalities at four percent for the next two years. There is a residential TIF out there that the City of Madison is evaluating so we can promote housing development in the community. The tourism industry has been lobbying for Senate Bill 20, which is enabling legislation at the state level for the city to adopt an ordinance that creates something called a DORA, a designated outside refreshment area. The Clerk-Treasurer is interested in a bill that allows municipalities to prepay for purchases. This was previously a restriction that inhibited some city contracts because it was not an option to pay for things upfront. Senate Bill 4 was passed by the General Assembly and signed into law by the governor. That will create about \$250,000,000.00 of new revenue for our ninety-four local health departments across the state to bring more public health and more core health services to each of the counties. There is also one other bill that is going to require all municipalities to have live streaming and archiving of all public meetings. That bill does not go into effect until 2025. Fortunately, the City of Madison already live streams and archives most public meetings, but this statute requires the live streaming and archiving of all public meetings. The city has all the state permits now for the work that is being done at Sunrise Crossing. A joint maintenance agreement with INDOT was signed that permits the city to remove the fence line and the overgrowth. The city is doing wayfinding on the hilltop as well as more gateway development. All the permits were received for the work involving Culver's development, and the groundbreaking for that will be in June.

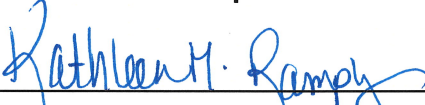
The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, June 6, 2023.

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

Attested:



President Pro Tempore



Kathleen M. Rampy, Clerk-Treasurer