

## **Common Council Minutes**

MEETING DATE: October 7, 2024

MEETING PLACE: City Hall, 101 W. Main Street, Madison, IN 47250

The Common Council of the City of Madison, Indiana met in regular session at 5:30 P.M. at City Hall, 101 W. Main Street, Madison, IN 47250.

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

Present: Wilber, Bartlett, Schafer, Krebs, Thevenow, Storm, and Dattilo were present (7-0).

**Minutes:** Bartlett moved to approve the September 17, 2024, seconded by Wilber. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Presentation of petitions, memorials, remonstrances, introduction of motion & guests: Proclamation for National Code Compliance Month: The American Association of Code Enforcement wants to recognize and honor Code Enforcement Officers and Professionals across the United States and bring awareness of the importance of Code Enforcement to the communities of the United States. Code Enforcement Officers provide for the safety and welfare of the citizens throughout the United States through the enforcement of local codes and ordinances on various issues of zoning, environmental, health, and life safety. Mayor Bob Courtney proclaimed October 2024 as National Code Compliance Month in the City of Madison, Indiana, and presented the proclamation to Duey O'Neal, the City of Madison Code Enforcement Officer, and Nicole Schell, the City of Madison Director of Planning.

Resolutions or bills: Resolution 2024-8C: Sports Court Name to Honor Mary Kay McCubbin: Honors Mary Kay McCubbin for her efforts in developing the sports court. **Motion:** Krebs moved to pass Resolution 2024-8C, seconded by Thevenow. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

**Ordinance 2024-13: Amending Section 93.22 of the Housing Discrimination Ordinance:** Defines the role of HRC for community outreach and alignment with Indiana Civil Rights Commission responsibility.

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

Report of city officials: None.

Bills on third reading: Ordinance 2024-6: Amending Common Council Rules (Sp. Schafer/Wilber): Roll Call Vote: Thevenow – N, Krebs – Y, Dattilo – Y, Schafer – Y, Storm – Y, Bartlett – Y, Wilber – Y. Majority rules, ordinance passes (6-1).

Open Public Hearing regarding 2025 Budget - Discussion

**Close Public Hearing** 

**Reconvene Regular Council Meeting** 

**Bills on second reading: Ordinance 2024-10: Budget Notice of Appropriations and Tax Rates for 2025:** Mayor Courtney gave an overview for the council and the public with regard to the 2025 budget. The ordinance moves on to third reading.

**Ordinance 2024-11: Fixing Salaries of Appointed Officers and Employees for 2025:** The ordinance moves on to third reading.

**Ordinance 2024-12: Salaries of Elected Officials for 2025:** Councilman Wilber presented an amendment regarding pay for elected officials. Wilber moved to change the salary of the mayor to \$88,650.00, the Clerk-Treasurer to \$78,081.21, the Common Council to \$8,865, and the Common Council Pro Tempore stipend to \$1,200.00, seconded by Krebs. Majority rules, the amendment passes (6-1). The ordinance moves on to third reading.

Miscellaneous: None.

**Public comment:** Kevin Hord, residing at 4693 West Deputy Pike, proposed implementing a one-year moratorium on solar farm developments within city limits until zoning regulations are finalized and enforced. Randy Bellamy, 409 E Third St., voiced concerns regarding a golf cart event that took place throughout the downtown area. He expressed there were multiple safety concerns. Jed Skillman of 1505 Michigan Rd. commented that the event was peaceful, and no rules were broken to his knowledge.

**Mayor's comments:** Thanks to all the volunteers, Madison Police Department, Street Department, and the Utilities Department the past few weekends for dedicating their time to the events around town, including the Tri Kappa Home tours and Chautauqua. The TSO modernization plan is finishing the rollout of trash containers. The Ohio River Legacy Park Ribbon Cutting will be held on November 1, 2024.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, October 22, 2024, @ 5:30 pm.

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

Attested:

Mayor

**President Pro Tempore** 

Shirley Rynearson, Clerk-Treasurer

