

COMMON COUNCIL – October 8, 2019

The Common Council of the City of Huntington met in Council Chambers, Third Floor, City Building, Huntington, Indiana, on the 8th day of October 2019, at 7:00 p.m., in regular meeting and in accordance with all applicable requirements and notice.

INVOCATION: Pastor Jimi Staton, New Life Fellowship Church, gave the invocation.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Fetters called the regular meeting of the Common Council to order.

ROLL CALL: Common Council Members present: Joe Blomeke, Charles Chapman, Dave Funk, Seth Marshall, Paul Pike, Jack Slusser, and Richard Strick.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Council Member Slusser moved to approve Council's September 24, 2019 regular meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Council Member Chapman. Motion passed 7-0. Minutes signed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS OR COMMISSIONS:

Mayor Fetters publicly thanked Andrew Rensberger for his service to the City of Huntington as the Volunteer Coordinator.

Mayor Fetters presented his **appointment to the Historic Review Board, Karena Hernandez.** Council Member Pike made a motion to approve the Mayoral appointment, seconded by Council Member Marshall. Motion passed 7-0.

Director Keplinger updated the Council on HK Porter. Several outbuildings will be demolished. The City's Board of Public Works and Safety opened bids on Monday. This will help improve the sight until the final manufacturing building can also be demolished.

Director Keplinger reported the City's CRS score for the flood insurance rating has gone from a 9 to an 8 in the last year and will be at a 7 by May 2020. Seven is the best rate you can receive in the State. This will help residents that have flood insurance by lowering their rates.

PETITIONS OR COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:

Brant Ricker from Huntington Alert and the Historic Review Board presented a list of structures with historic value that they would like to see protected. After much discussion and explanation, Council, by consensus, would like Mr. Ricker to move forward with the research on the list of buildings and prepare an Ordinance for future consideration. Brian Zuercher from Historic Review Board agrees with Mr. Ricker and would like to see a list and Ordinance that would allow Historic Review Board to protect these properties.

OLD BUSINESS:

Council Member Slusser made a motion to approve on second and final reading **Ordinance 8-C-19: "An Ordinance Fixing Salaries of Appointed Officers of the City of Huntington, Indiana, from and after December 15, 2019 through the pay period ending December 19, 2020; and Hourly Employees of the City of Huntington, Indiana, from and after December 15, 2019 through the pay period ending December 12, 2020"**, seconded by Council Member Strick. Motion passed 7-0. Ordinance signed.

Council Member Slusser made a motion to approve on second and final reading **Ordinance 9-C-19: “An Ordinance Fixing Salaries of Elected Officials of the City of Huntington, Indiana, from and after December 15, 2019 through the pay period ending December 19, 2020”**, seconded by Council Member Marshall. Motion passed 7-0. Ordinance signed.

Council Member Chapman made a motion to approve on first reading **Ordinance 11-C-19: “An Ordinance for the 2020 Appropriations”**, seconded by Council Member Slusser. Motion passed 7-0. Ordinance signed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council Member Strick made a motion to approve the **DLGF Form 4 approving the 2020 Budget**, seconded by Council Member Slusser. Motion passed 7-0. Form 4 was signed.

Council Member Strick made a motion to approve on **first reading Ordinance 12-C-19 “An Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Huntington: Garfield & S. Jefferson Streets”**, seconded by Council Member Pike. Motion passed 7-0.


MISCELLANEOUS:

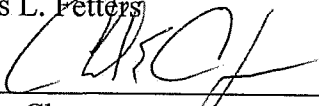
Clerk-Treasurer McElhaney presented the September 2019 financials.

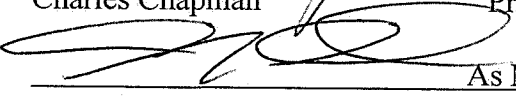
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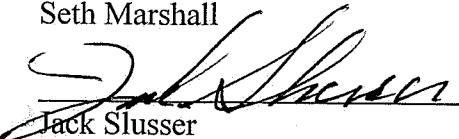
Council Member Slusser made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Marshall. Motion passed 7-0.


APPROVED:



 _____ As Mayor
 Brooks L. Fetters

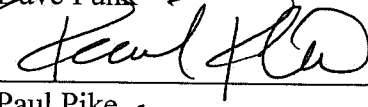

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 Charles Chapman President



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 Seth Marshall


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 Jack Slusser


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 Joseph E. Blomeke


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 Dave Funk


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 Paul Pike


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 Richard Strick

Attest:


 _____ Clerk-Treasurer
 Christi A. McElhaney