

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF ELWOOD, MADISON COUNTY, INDIANA
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING
APRIL 4, 2016 7:00PM**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Todd Jones. Members present: Kim Everson, Chuck Kane, Linda Moore, Tim Roby, Marc Slayton, Jim Watters, and John Wright. City Attorney, Jeff Graham was present for the meeting.

Mayor Jones recognized the Mayors Youth Council.

Mayor Jones requested high school student Hannah Alfrey lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes from the February 10, 2016 special meeting, March 3, 2016 special meeting and the March 7, 2016 regular meeting were presented to the council for approval. Everson made a motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Wright. All in favor

Mayor Jones made a proclamation declaring April 2016 "Month of the Young Child".

Mayor Jones also presented Hannah Alfrey with a proclamation declaring April 2016 "Autism Awareness Month".

Resident, Ian Baugher at 414 South D Street approached the council concerning his drainage ditch issue. County Surveyor, Pat Manship stated this was not a county issue and did not see any standing water at the time he looked at the property. Jones stated there would be no further action on this matter.

Pat Rice, representing The Tin Plate, requested a three way stop be placed at South J and Jenkins Avenue. Jones stated a traffic study could be done. Kane questioned a better policy to add stop signs instead of dealing with a few at every meeting.

Mark Keith Balsler-Dietzer, representing the ABCD@EF Trust, Inc. 501-c3, spoke regarding the old public library and the terms in which the city sold the property. Jones stated he would meet with Mr. Dietzer on this matter.

County Surveyor, Pat Manship requested the council approve work on Duck Creek south of the railroad to ease excess flow. Watters made a motion to start alleviating drainage issues; seconded by Wright. All in favor.

Officer Corie Lovell requested the pine trees at South H and South 20th Streets be looked at and evaluated for a traffic hazard. Jones stated he would go look at the area.

Clerk-Treasurer, Allison Atwood stated the insurance committee would have a six month review meeting coming up.

Compliance Statements for Red Gold were presented to the council for approval. Wright stated the committee had toured the facility and see no reason not to approve. Wright made a motion to approve the compliance statements; seconded by Slayton. All in favor.

Compliance Statements for Graham Packaging were presented to the council for approval. Wright stated the committee had toured the facility and see no reason not to approve. Wright made a motion to approve the compliance statements; seconded by Slayton. All in favor.

Compliance Statements for RG Transport were presented to the council for approval. Wright made a motion to approve the compliance statements; seconded by Slayton. All in favor.

Compliance Statements for Elwood Fire Equipment were presented to the council for approval. Wright stated the committee had toured the facility and see no reason not to approve. Wright made a motion to approve the compliance statements; seconded by Slayton. All in favor.

RESOLUTION NO 2016-03 – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION. This resolution is to appropriate monies into certain line items for the pool. Moore questioned the issue of rainy day money being used only for emergencies. Moore also stated there had to be a way to get kids to the pool besides free days. The park board will look into ways to maximize the use of the pool. Everson made a motion to read and consider Resolution 2016-03; seconded by Wright. All in favor. Resolution 2016-03 read title only. Everson made a motion for unanimous consent for passage on the same night as introduced; seconded by Wright. All in favor. Everson made a motion to vote on Resolution 2016-03 roll call vote; seconded by Wright. Roll call vote: Everson – aye, Kane – aye, Moore – aye, Roby – aye, Slayton – aye, Watters – aye, Wright - aye. Resolution 2016-03 passed.

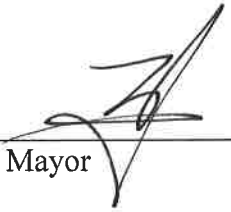
ORDINANCE NO. 2236 4th AMENDMENT – AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE BI-WEEKLY AND HOURLY COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF ELWOOD CIVIL CITY, MADISON COUNTY, INDIANA, AND EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH. This amendment is for the state mandated pay for the probation officer. Moore made a motion to read and consider Ordinance 2236 4th Amendment; seconded by Watters. All in favor. Ordinance 2236 4th Amendment read title only. Roby made a motion for unanimous consent for passage on the same night as introduced; seconded by Wright. All in favor. Roby made a motion to vote on Ordinance 2236 4th Amendment roll call vote; seconded by Wright. Roll call vote: Everson – aye, Kane – aye, Moore – aye, Roby – aye, Slayton – aye, Watters – aye, Wright - aye. Ordinance 2236 4th Amendment passed.

Moore presented the council with information regarding the Animal Shelter and the deplorable conditions in which the building is currently. Moore stated there had to be some type of funding for this building and suggested a fee added to the water bill that would go straight to the shelter. Board of Works member, Kelli Boyland stated she had visited the shelter and could not believe the conditions and something needs to be done. Roby suggested a flyer be sent out requesting donations. Resident, Mark Sullivan Jr.


stated he felt adding to the water bill was asking too much of the citizens. Roby will work with Moore on a flyer to see if any donation money can be raised for the shelter.

Ordinance No. 1511 regarding rummage sales was presented to the council for review.

Everson made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Slayton. All in favor; meeting adjourned.



Todd Jones, Mayor



Council President/President Pro-Tem

ATTEST:



Allison M. Atwood, Clerk-Treasurer