

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF ELWOOD, MADISON COUNTY, INDIANA
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING
APRIL 3, 2017 7:00PM**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Todd Jones, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance lead by Hanna Alfrey and a prayer. Members present: Kim Everson, Chuck Kane, Linda Moore, Tim Roby, Marc Slayton, Jim Watters and John Wright. Acting City Attorney, Mike Farrer was present for the meeting.

Mayor Jones also presented Hannah Alfrey with a proclamation declaring April 2017 “Autism Awareness Month”.

Mike Farrer introduced Art Johnson of Byson Properties to the council. Johnson will be leading the project for homes by the golf course.

Resident, Burl Tyner requested the council consider making North A & North B Streets 2-way.

Moore, Watters and street employee Jimmy Campbell toured the city and is recommending the following changes:

- Speed bumps on South D Street from County Line to 9th Street
- Change yield sign at South A and 1st Street to be a stop sign on 1st Street
- North A and 21st Street make 2-way north/south
- 1400 block South E raise the storm drains

Tax Abatement committee member, Marc Slayton recommended passing all compliance statements.

Compliance statements for Graham Packaging were presented to the council for approval. Slayton made a motion to approve the compliance statements; seconded by Everson. All in favor.

Compliance statements for RG Transport and Red Gold, Inc. were presented to the council for approval. Slayton made a motion to approve the compliance statements; seconded by Everson. All in favor.

An ERC treasurers report was presented to the council for information only.

Minutes for the March 6, 2017 regular meeting were presented to the council for approval. Slayton made a motion to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Kane. All in favor.

ORDINANCE NO. 2272 – ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TRAFFIC CODE OF THE CITY OF ELWOOD. Watters explained that South 21st Street from South L to South P Streets is currently a one-way street. It was made this way for the school. With the school no longer there would like to see this area opened up for two-way traffic. Watters made a motion to read and consider Ordinance 2272; seconded by Moore. All in favor. Ordinance 2272. Watters made a motion to vote on Ordinance 2272 by roll call vote; seconded by Moore. Roll call vote: Everson

– aye, Kane – aye, Moore – aye, Roby – aye, Slayton – aye, Watters – aye, Wright - aye.
Ordinance 2272 passed.

ORDINANCE NO. 2260 A 1st Amendment – AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE BI-WEEKLY AND HOURLY COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE ELWOOD UTILITIES MADISON COUNTY, INDIANA, AND EFFECTIVE DATES THEREOF AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH. This amendment is to adjust the pay for the custodian. Watters made a motion to read and consider Ordinance 2260 A 1st Amendment; seconded by Roby. Everson, Moore and Wright voting nay. Ordinance 2260 A 1st Amendment read title only. Watters made a motion to vote on Ordinance 2260 A 1st Amendment by roll call vote; seconded by Roby. Roll call vote: Everson – nay, Kane – aye, Moore – nay, Roby – aye, Slayton – nay, Watters – aye, Wright - nay. Ordinance 2260 A 1st Amendment defeated.

Park Board President, Jim Rebeck requested the council help secure funding for a 30 x 60 pole barn in the amount of \$28,350.00 for all the equipment at the park. Jones recommended publishing the use of rainy day monies.

The issue of a blind corner at South H and 20th Street was brought forward again. Jones stated the homeowner had not been contacted. Issue is still being reviewed for possible solutions.

ORDINANCE NO. 2259 1st Amendment – AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE BI-WEEKLY AND HOURLY COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE ELWOOD CIVIL CITY, MADISON COUNTY, INDIANA, AND EFFECTIVE DATES THEREOF AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH. This amendment is to allow the part-time employees of the animal shelter to receive more money due to the loss of the Animal Control Officer. Watters made a motion to table Ordinance 2259 1st Amendment; seconded by Roby. All in favor.

ORDINANCE NO. 2265 1ST AMENDMENT – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING INCREMENT, LONGEVITY, HOLIDAY PAY, UNIFORM ALLOWANCE; AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS COMPENSATION FOR FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS; DETERMINING SENIORITY RIGHTS WITH RESPECT TO POLICE OFFICER AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH. This amendment is to include a specialty pay for animal control. Roby made a motion to read and consider Ordinance 2265 1st Amendment; seconded by Wright. All in favor. Ordinance 2265 1st Amendment read title only. Wright made a motion for unanimous consent for passage on the same night as introduced; seconded by Roby. All in favor. Wright made a motion to vote on Ordinance 2265 1st Amendment by roll call vote; seconded by Roby. Roll call vote: Everson – aye, Kane – aye, Moore – aye, Roby – aye, Slayton – aye, Watters – aye, Wright - aye. Ordinance 2265 1st Amendment passed.

ORDINANCE NO. 2273 – AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTING ESTABLISHING PROGRAM TO REVITALIZE BUILDINGS IN THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT. This ordinance is to allow a 50/50 program to upgrade downtown façade of buildings. Slayton made a motion to read and consider Ordinance 2273; seconded by Watters. All in favor. Ordinance 2273 read title only. Wright made a motion for unanimous consent for passage on the same night as introduced; seconded by Everson. All in favor. Wright made a motion to vote on Ordinance 2273 by roll call vote; seconded by Everson. Roll call vote: Everson – aye, Kane – aye, Moore – aye, Roby – aye, Slayton – aye, Watters – aye, Wright - aye. Ordinance 2273 passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-02 – RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AND ADOPTING A FISCAL PLAN FOR PROPOSED ANNEXATION. This resolution provides a fiscal plan for the possible annexation of First Farmers Bank. Everson made a motion to read and consider Resolution 2017-02; seconded by Wright. All in favor. Resolution 2017-02 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 2017-02 by roll call vote; seconded by Wright. Roll call vote: Everson – aye, Kane – aye, Moore – aye, Roby – aye, Slayton – aye, Watters – aye, Wright - aye. Resolution 2017-02 passed.

ORDINANCE NO. 2274 – AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING ADJACENT TERRITORY. This ordinance is for the annexation of First Farmers Bank. Everson made a motion to read and consider Ordinance 2274; seconded by Wright. All in favor. Ordinance 2274 read title only. Wright made a motion for unanimous consent for passage on the same night as introduced; seconded by Everson. All in favor. Wright made a motion to vote on Ordinance 2274 by roll call vote; seconded by Everson. Roll call vote: Everson – aye, Kane – aye, Moore – aye, Roby – aye, Slayton – aye, Watters – aye, Wright - aye. Ordinance 2274 passed.

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

Todd Jones, Mayor



Council President/President Pro-Tem



ATTEST:

Allison M. Atwood, Clerk-Treasurer

