

CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE
COMMON COUNCIL
PRE-COUNCIL MINUTES
MAY 30, 2013

The Common Council of the City of West Lafayette, Indiana, met in Council Chambers at City Hall on May 30, 2013, at the hour of 4:30 p.m.

Mayor Dennis called the meeting to order and presided.

Present: Bunder, Dietrich, Hunt, and VanBogaert.

Absent: Burch, Keen, Thomas

Also present were City Attorney Burns, Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes, Public Works Director Buck, Street Commissioner Downey, Human Resources Director Foster, Fire Chief Heath, WWTU Director Henderson, Parks Superintendent Payne, IT Director Newman, Director of Development Poole, and Police Captain Sparger.

MINUTES

Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes noted that the minutes for the May 20, 2013, Special Meeting were just uploaded to the agenda today, so the Council members may not have had a chance to read them yet.

SPECIAL REPORTS:

2013 Tax Abatement Compliance Review – Development

Mayor Dennis stated that everyone is in compliance. The Council chose to wait until the regular Council meeting to hear the review from Director of Development Poole.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Beautification Award

Councilor Hunt stated that she will be giving the award.

Mayor Dennis stated that there will be additional item to recognize a departing Board of Works member.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Ordinance No. 12-13 (Amended) An Ordinance Establishing A Safe Passing Distance Between Motor Vehicles And Bicycles (Sponsored by Councilor VanBogaert)

Mayor Dennis read Ordinance No. 12-13 by title only.

Councilor Hunt stated that she would like to hear about the discussion at the Traffic Commission meeting.

Councilor VanBogaert stated that discussion was good. There was a similar conversation as at the prior Council meeting. There was some public comment, which is not always the case at Traffic Commission meetings. He stated that there is one change that he will propose, which is to a remove a whereas clause. The clause states how many cities and states have adopted

similar provisions, but because this is something that is rapidly changing, it was suggested that it be removed so it is not out of date.

There was no further discussion.

Ordinance No. 14-13 (Amended) An Ordinance Requesting An Additional Appropriation For The Economic Development Income Tax Fund, The General Fund, And The Clerk's Record Perpetuation Fund (Sponsored By Mayor John Dennis) PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Dennis read Ordinance No. 14-13 by title only.

There was no further discussion.

Ordinance No. 15-13 An Ordinance To Establish The Cumulative Capital Development Fund And Readopt West Lafayette City Code Provisions Concerning The Fund (Submitted by the Clerk-Treasurer) PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Dennis read Ordinance No. 15-13 by title only.

In response to a question from Councilor Hunt, Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes stated that these are the same numbers. She explained that at the workshop in Indianapolis, there was a special emphasis on informing all of the cities and towns officers about the need to enact the CCD rate annually.

There was no further discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 17-13 An Ordinance Concerning The Current Refunding By The City Of West Lafayette, Indiana, Of Its Sewage Works Revenue Bonds Of 1994, Its Sewage Works Revenue Bonds Of 1998 And Its Sewage Works Revenue Bonds Of 2001; Authorizing The Issuance Of Sewage Works Refunding Revenue Bonds For Such Purpose; Providing For The Collection, Segregation And Distribution Of The Revenues Of The Sewage Works And The Safeguarding Of The Interests Of The Owners Of Said Sewage Works Refunding Revenue Bonds; Other Matters Connected Therewith; And Repealing Ordinances Inconsistent Herewith (Sponsored by Mayor John Dennis and Clerk-Treasurer Judith Rhodes)

Mayor Dennis read Ordinance No. 17-13 by title only.

Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes stated that we expect to be issuing approximately \$11,265,000 par value of bonds which will refund the three bond issues—the 1994, the 1998, and the 2001 issues. The new bonds will follow the same terms. The savings is expected to be over \$500,000 at net present value after all transaction costs. The interest rates are currently at 3% and 2.9% on these issues, and we are expecting the refunding bonds to be less than 1.5%, which was the low rate we just received on the 2012 State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Program issue. She stated that Jim Treat (O.W. Krohn & Associates) and bond counsel will explain the transaction in detail at the Council meeting.

There was no further discussion.

Resolution No. 10-13 Resolution Appropriating Insurance Recovery Received For Damage To City Property (Prepared by the Clerk-Treasurer)

Mayor Dennis read Resolution No. 10-13 by title only.

Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes explained that this is for a police vehicle.

There was no further discussion.

Resolution No. 11-13 A Resolution Requesting The Transfer Of Funds (Prepared by the Clerk-Treasurer)

Mayor Dennis read Resolution No. 11-13 by title only.

Parks Superintendent Payne explained that these are funds left over from the appropriation for the Sagamore Parkway median maintenance which will be used for more landscape maintenance over the summer.

There was no further discussion.

COMMUNICATIONS

► Mayor Dennis noted that we will not be discussing annexation.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at this time, Councilor Bunder moved for adjournment. Mayor Dennis adjourned the meeting, the time being 4:39 p.m.