

CITY OF LAWRENCE
Common Council
December 4, 2024
Regular Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilors Kristie Krone, Sherron Freeman, Zach Cramer, Lisa Chavis, Carlos Jennings, Liz Masur, Rick Wells, Tyrrell Giles and Betty Robinson

MEMBERS BY MICROSOFT TEAMS: None

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO, BY MICROSOFT TEAMS: None

ALSO PRESENT: Ms. Matti McCormick, Clerk Adkisson and Michael Allen, Frost Brown Todd

STAFF PRESENT: Chief of Staff, Greg Goodnight, Jami Weirich, Humphrey Nagila and LeAndre Level

STAFF BY MICROSOFT TEAMS: None

President Robinson called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

The pledge of allegiance was administered, followed by a prayer given by Council President, Betty Robinson.

President Robinson recognized there was a quorum. It was also recognized there were extra copies of the agenda located at the back of the room along with a sign-up sheet for comments from the citizens.

COMMENTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS: Councilor Giles acknowledges The Lawrence Fall Creek Baseball and Softball Team who were in attendance at the meeting. President Robinson announced she visited the Kid's Place 1st Year Anniversary, located at 8405 E. 47th Street. She was given a tour of the facility, and she also got a chance to meet and chat with a couple of DCS representatives. She stated they're doing wonderful things with the youth in the community, and it was an awesome experience.

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS OR RESOLUTIONS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES REGULAR MEETING 11-20-2024

Councilor Chavis made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilor Jennings 2nd the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS 12-4-2024: Councilor Jennings made the motion to approve Payroll Claims for \$927,003.71 [November 15, 2024, payroll] and Invoices [for vendors] as presented today [for \$1,488,267.54]. Councilor Giles 2nd the motion. A roll call vote was given, the motion carried with 8 (ayes) Councilors, Chavis, Cramer, Robinson, Jennings, Freeman, Krone, Giles and Masur. 1 (nay) Councilor Wells.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: ProPEL Indy Study, presentation by Ms. Matti McCormick, Community Lead, along with Tim Miller, Team Lead. Matti McCormick, Propel Study Community Lead, along with Tim Miller, Team Lead. This study is sponsored by the Indiana Department of Transportation. Several of the councilors had questions, to which Mr. Miller provided answers. (Presentation is attached)

Resolution No. 13, 2024 – A Non-Binding Resolution Of The Common Council Of The City Of Lawrence Recognizing The Unique Neighborhoods And Communities Of The City Of Lawrence To Promote Quality Of Life And Economic Development. This resolution was read in the record. Councilor Freeman moved a motion to approve and Councilor Jennings 2nd. Vote was taken, motion carried unanimously.

Proposal No. 20, 2024 – An Ordinance Of The Common Council Of The City Of Lawrence, Indiana To Repeal And Replace Title 5, Article 2, Chapter 6 Of The Lawrence Municipal Code Regarding Storm Water Management And Sediment Control, And Eliminate Conflicting Provisions, Including Title 5, Article 2, Chapter 7 Regarding Illicit Discharge Detection And Elimination. The proposal was read in the record. President Robinson announced on behalf of the Common Council, this proposal was referred to the Public Work Committee for consideration.

COMMENTS FROM THE ADMINISTRATION: Deputy Chief, Mr. Level invited everyone to please stop by to view the City of Lawrence's Christmas tree at Civic Plaza. He also announced there will be more Winter Fest activities. to come. Jami Weinrich will be sharing those in the near future. Mr. Level thank the councilors for passing Resolution No. 13, 2024. Mr. Level introduced the new Chief of Staff, former Kokomo, Indiana Mayor, Greg Goodnight. Mr. Goodnight has also served on Kokomo's Common Council.

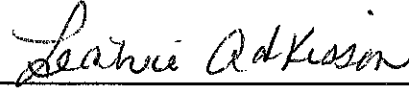
COMMENTS FROM THE CITIZENS: Mr. Virgil Aldridge, 4546 Payton Street. Mr. Aldridge is a representative of Fall Creek Baseball and Softball League. Mr. Aldridge addressed the council with talks about Lawrence Community Park being utilized with something other than baseball. Mr. Aldridge is in hopes of their mission being loved and valued. by all in the community.

Mr. Daniel Rapp, 5718 Wallingwood Drive, Lawrence, Indiana. Mr. Rapp addressed his concerns about the monthly finance statements not being posted on the City's webpage. He also voiced his concerns to Ms. McCormick regarding speeding and safety on the streets. Lawrence and the surrounding cities.

ADJOURNMENT: Councilors Cramer moved motion for adjournment. Councilor Jennings 2nd the motion. There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m., by President Robinson.



Betty Robinson, President



Leatrice Adkisson, Clerk

These minutes are not intended to be verbatim. They are a summary of discussions held, except for the motions.

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