



# MADISON *Indiana*

## Common Council Minutes

**MEETING DATE:** August 8, 2023

**MEETING PLACE:** Madison City Hall – Council Chambers

The Common Council of the City of Madison, Indiana met in regular session at 5:30 P.M. at City Hall, 101 W. Main St.

Deputy Mayor Mindy McGee opened the meeting with the Lord's Prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Present:** J. Bartlett, D. Dattilo, J. Schafer, and Thevenow (5-2). Krebs and Chatham were absent and excused from the meeting.

**Minutes:** Bartlett moved to approve July 5, 2023, minutes, seconded by Thevenow. All in favor, motion carried (5-0).

**Presentation of petitions, memorials, remonstrances, introduction of motion & guests:** None.

### Resolutions or bills:

#### **Ordinance 2023-11 – Est. Dave Kidwell Memorial Lighting Non-Reverting Fund (L. Dattilo)**

Dave Kidwell was a long-time employee of the City of Madison and created handmade lighting elements to be displayed on Main Street and elsewhere in the city of Madison. The City of Madison wishes to establish funds to deposit memorial funds and other funds raised for lighting and pay expenses related to the lighting displays. The monies will come from donations, fundraisers, sale of merchandise, sponsorships, appropriations from city accounts, or from any other lawful source. The fund shall be named the Dave Kidwell Memorial Lighting Non-Reverting Fund. All funds in the account shall be expended only for paying, creating, purchasing, and maintaining light displays. These expenses may include equipment, materials, ready-made items, matching funds for grants, fundraising expenses, and other expenses related to holiday displays throughout the city. The express and written approval of the Board of Public Works and Safety shall be obtained prior to the expenditure of funds from the account. The fund will exist unless otherwise terminated by the Common Council. If terminated, the balance of the terminated account shall be reverted to the general budget of the Common Council.

**Reports, recommendations, and other business from standing/select committees of City Council:** None.

**Report of city officials:** The City of Madison Police Chief, John Wallace, introduced the city's Emergency Response Team to the council. For the last year, the Madison Police Department has been working and going through the necessary training to bring the ERT back to Madison. Bringing this team back is vital to the safety of the community and schools. As of August 1, 2023, the Emergency Response Team was reactivated after eight months of training. Tactical Leader and Operations Leader, Cameron Blankenship, was introduced to present the council with the members of the ERT squad and a briefing of what the ERT does. Current members of the team include Cameron Blankenship, Cody Lewis, Trent Smith, Kyle Potter, Nicole Midgett, Jared Sweet, Jordan Perry, Cameron Napier of the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, Sean Gardner of the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, Brad Demaree, Kayla Taylor-Moore, Ricky Harris, and Aaron Watson.

Deputy Mayor Mindy McGee gave an update and presentation regarding CCMG. The presentation referenced the city's first application for 2023, which was awarded in April. After the city determined the array of things to go into the bid package, bids were opened. The bid was presented to the Board of Public Works and Safety on Friday, August 4, 2023, and was approved. The streets included in the first CCMG for the year are Blackmore St. from

Highland to Bel Air, Poplar St. from First to Vaughn, West St. from Main to Michigan Rd., Cragmont St. to Mouser to Clifty, Michigan Rd. from Autumnwood to Miles Ridge Rd., Second St. from Mulberry to West, and Mulberry St. from Main to Vaughn. Hanging Rock Hill is still closed, and there is no updated date for re-opening due to INDOT finding a problem that needs to be addressed after the last heavy rainfall the city experienced. The city received two bids, and there was quite a bit of difference between them. One was in the amount of \$2,500,000.00, and the other was in the amount of \$1,696,000.00 which was O'Mara Contracting. The contract was awarded to O'Mara Contracting and it was signed on August 8, 2023, to be under contract by August 10, 2023. As soon as the Notice to Proceed is sent to O'Mara Contracting, they will have to begin work within ten days. The city did apply for round two of CCMG this year, and that was submitted. The city won't know until late October or November on that award. The streets involved would be practically all of the streets that are currently involved in the Water Project. Because of the involvement of the Water Project, the utility company is going to help the city with a match and is going to pay for half of that match. Budget workshops for 2024 have been scheduled for Wednesday, August 16, 2023, at the First Financial Building on the hilltop in the community room. That workshop begins at 5 p.m.

**Bills on third reading:** None.

**Bills on second reading:** None.

**Public comment:** None.

**Mayor's comments:** The BPW approved the right-of-way backfill procedures for contractors to follow. They are working with the Planning Department to get the right-of-way permits process going. They also approved three finals on PACE and one midpoint. Tony Steinhardt, the City of Madison's Economic Development Director, presented the installations for new EV Chargers with five currently live and operating. The chargers work with an app called Amp Up and the driver who wants to use the charger will scan and pay for the parking. The BPW approved the charges of \$0.25 per kilowatt hour, which is in line with what other cities and companies charge. National Night Out, hosted by the Madison Police Department was very successful with a great turnout. Ribberfest is August 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. Schools are heading back into session, so the community needs to be alert out on the streets and crosswalks.

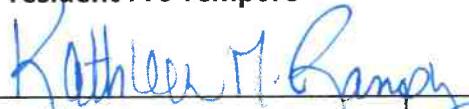
The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, August 22, 2023, @ 5:30 pm.

**Adjourn:** Thevenow moved to adjourn, seconded by Schafer. All in favor (5-0).

Attested:



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**President Pro Tempore**



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**Kathleen M. Rampy, Clerk-Treasurer**