



MADISON *Indiana*

Common Council Minutes

MEETING DATE: August 24, 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.

Mayor Bob Courtney opened the meeting with the Lord's Prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present: J. Bartlett, L. Dattilo, D. Dattilo, J. Schafer, Thevenow, Krebs, and Chatham (7-0).

Minutes: Bartlett moved to approve August 8, 2023, minutes, seconded by Krebs. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

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

Resolutions or bills: None.

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

Report of city officials: Madison Municipal Airport: Mayor Bob Courtney read a proclamation for Aviation Week that takes place from August 19th through August 25th. Dick Goodman, the President of the Madison Board of Aviation Commissioners, completed a lengthy and informative presentation to City Council regarding the history of the Madison Municipal Airport. Mr. Goodman also discussed future projects and the funding needs for the airport through 2026 and responded to City Council questions. A copy of the presentation is available for review or can be viewed on the city's website.

Madison Police Department Status Update: Chief John Wallace: On Saturday night, the police department took part in a saturation patrol where additional officers and canines combined forces with several officers from the Sheriff's Department to target areas where there may be traffic issues. There were 41 traffic stops, 37 written warnings, 4 citations, and 6 arrests. The canines were utilized 6 times with 5 positive alerts and one negative indication. The arrests were OWIs and narcotics-related arrests with one active warrant found. Thanks to the officers and detectives who responded to the recent stabbing events that took place in the area. The four new hires of the Madison Police Department graduated from the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy on Friday night. Now, they begin their six to eight weeks of field training within the department. Officer Sweet will be returning from his military leave on September 4, 2023. Bethany Legacy Foundation also recently funded a program for police officers called PASS where officers can receive free mental health resources 24/7. They will also be required to meet with a mental health professional at least once per year. The Bethany Legacy Foundation has also provided AED's for each police officer's squad car. The grant through Homeland Security has also been approved and there will be a security camera system along Vaughn Drive.

Economic Development Department Status Update: Tony Steinhardt: The Economic Development Department is working with County Commissioners and County Council on a couple of alternative energy opportunities that have come into the county. The department is currently looking into housing strategies as it relates to bringing housing units into the Madison – Jefferson County market. The department is also working hand in hand with the Madison Main Street Program on a number of opportunities in the downtown area,

including additional restaurant opportunities. They are also working with VMI on tourism enhancements. The Madison Railroad and the City of Madison Port Authority are going to have some announcements within the next couple of weeks from an economic development perspective. The three entrances to the city have been lit with solar lighting. The Duke LED project is almost complete and should be done by the end of September. Phase two of the Super Overlook will be starting on September 11, 2023, which includes terracing on the left and right sides of the overlook. The Gateway Project has been seeded and strawed and all the landscaping is completed. The project will not be completed until the art is installed. The Public Arts Commission and a local committee have selected three artists to present ideas to the Public Arts Commission in November. The project will hopefully be installed by June 2024. There are five active EV chargers in the community. All are run by an app called Amp Up and charging is being charged at \$0.25 a kilowatt hour plus all the appropriate taxes and fees associated with using the app. Gaines Park is currently under construction, and there will be a ribbon cutting on September 16, 2023. There are 16-inch slabs being poured for Crystal Beach throughout the floor of the new pool, the new diving well is complete, and all the plumbing is about done. Decorative lighting is being installed along Michigan Road, the new traffic lights are up, paving is done with striping happening within the next week, and landscaping and architectural work are to come within the next two months. TJ Maxx will be opening on September 10, 2023. Hobby Lobby is anticipating opening by the end of September and Kohl's anticipating opening by the end of October. There is a tentative ribbon cutting scheduled for October 30, 2023, with the developers. The Dollar General Corporation approved the DG Market in the downtown area. The closing on the property will be in the next 30 days with the developer. The developer has requested that the project be opened by May 2024.

Bills on third reading: Ordinance 2023-11 – Est. Dave Kidwell Memorial Lighting Non-Reverting Fund (L. Dattilo):

Roll Call Vote: Thevenow – Y, Krebs – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, Schafer – Y, Chatham – Y, Bartlett – Y, D. Dattilo – Y (7-0). Motion carried.

Bills on second reading:

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

Krebs made a motion to move Ordinance 2023-11 to a third reading, seconded by Schafer. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Public comment: None.

Mayor's comments: The Madison Fire Department will have a pop-up splash pad on Saturday afternoon at Bicentennial Park. The budget workshop will be next week. Earlier this week, the city issued a Stormwater RFP for services to update their ordinances, which is required, since the city is an MS4 community.

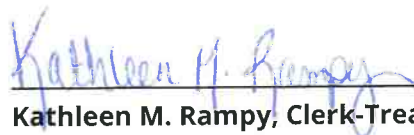
The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, September 5, 2023, @ 5:30 pm.

Adjourn: Thevenow moved to adjourn, seconded by Krebs. All in favor (7-0).

Attested:



President Pro Tempore



Kathleen M. Rampy, Clerk-Treasurer