

## **Common Council Minutes**

MEETING DATE: November 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.

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

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

Minutes: Bartlett moved to approve October 18, 2023, minutes, seconded by Krebs. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Presentation of petitions, memorials, remonstrances, introduction of motion & guests: Constitution Week Proclamation:

MPD Chief John Wallace: Awards for Conduct Above and Beyond the Call of Duty: The Madison Police Department has partnered with Walmart, which has provided the department with some funding and other awards for officers throughout various times of the year. Eight officers are being given awards during this period. Coin Awards were given out to officers in situations where they went above and beyond the Call of Duty to help others in a time of need. Plaques were given out to those who reflected leadership in law enforcement. Officers Adam Guzman, Phillip Wimpee, Aaron Watson Jr., Aaron Watson Sr., Trent Smith, Graham Heffelfinger, Curtis Shelpman, and Kayla Talyor-Moore all received awards for various situations.

## Resolutions or bills:

Ordinance 2023-19: Ordinance Establishing FEMA Grant Fund: The city of Madison Police Department was awarded a FEMA Port Security Grant for the purpose of installing a Riverfront Camera System and explosives training for a Police K9. A separate account should be established for the deposit of monies received from the FEMA Port Security Grant and any future FEMA grants. The account shall be named the FEMA Grant Fund and all monies contained in the account shall be expended only for the limited and exclusive purpose of a Riverfront Camera System and explosives training for a Police K9 and the terms of other grants awarded by FEMA. The account shall be non-reverting. If the account is terminated by a subsequent ordinance, the remaining balance of the account shall revert to the general budget of the Common Council of the City of Madison, Indiana. The ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Common Council, signature by the Mayor, enrollment in the Book of Ordinances, and publication of notice required by law.

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

## Report of city officials:

**MPD Police Assistant Chief Jeremey Perkins:** Total calls in October 2023 were 1,065 which was less than the previous month. Some spikes in those specific calls were from assisting motorists, B&E thefts, general disturbances, and parking problems. On October 22, 2023, four officers who had graduated from the Indiana

of the described property in Ordinance 2023-17 be changed from General Business (GB) to Medium Density Residential (R-8). Address 417 State St., parcel No. 39-08-27-442-004.000-007.

Thevenow made a motion to suspend the rules and move it to third reading, seconded by L. Dattilo. **Roll Call Vote:** Thevenow - Y, Krebs - Y, L. Dattilo - Y, Schafer - Y, Storm - Y, Bartlett - Y, D. Dattilo - Y. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Ordinance 2023-18: Creating a Fund to Receive Grant Money from the Bethany Legacy Foundation (Sp. Krebs): The Bethany Legacy Foundation is a non-profit health foundation dedicated to the health and wellness of the residents of Jefferson County. The Bethany Legacy Foundation will be making restricted donations for various health-related initiatives within the City of Madison. The City of Madison wishes to establish a fund to deposit monies donated from the Bethany Legacy Foundation to city initiatives. The monies donated will come as restricted donations for a specified purpose through an agreement for each donation which will specify the accepted use of funds. The fund shall be named The Bethany Legacy Foundation Donation Control Fund. The funds contained in the account shall be expended only for the exclusive purpose detailed in each restricted donation agreement. The council will review and agree to each donation agreement before accepting funds and no further appropriation is required. The express and written approval of the Board of Public Works and Safety shall be obtained before the expenditure of the funds from the account. The fund shall be nonreverting and exist perpetually unless terminated by a subsequent ordinance enacted by the Common Council. After termination, the remaining balance of the account shall revert to the general budget of the Common Council.

L. Dattilo made a motion to suspend the rules and move it to third reading, seconded by Krebs. **Roll Call Vote:** Thevenow - Y, Krebs - Y, L. Dattilo - Y, Schafer - Y, Storm - Y, Bartlett - Y, D. Dattilo - Y. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Public comment: None.

**Mayor's comments:** Mayor Courtney gave a brief explanation of how local government works within the Common Council meetings to the high school students who attend the meetings for class credits. Friday, November 10, 2023, city hall will be closed in observance of Veteran's Day. There will be many Veteran's Day events around the community starting Friday.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, November 21, 2023, @ 5:30 pm. **Adjourn**: Thevenow moved to adjourn, seconded by Krebs. All in favor (7-0).

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Attested:

President Pro Tempore

Kathleen M. Rampy, Clerk-Treasurer