

Common Council Minutes

MEETING DATE: September 17, 2024

MEETING PLACE: City Hall, 101 W. Main Street, Madison, IN 47250

The Common Council of the City of Madison, Indiana met in regular session at 5:30 P.M. at City Hall, 101 W. Main Street, Madison, IN 47250.

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

Present: Wilber, Bartlett, Schafer, Krebs, Thevenow, Storm, and Dattilo were present (7-0).

Minutes: Wilber moved to approve the September 3, 2024, seconded by Schafer. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Presentation of petitions, memorials, remonstrances, introduction of motion & guests: Proclamation for National Recovery Month: National Recovery Month is recognized every year in September to promote and support new treatment and recovery practices, the nation's strong and proud recovery community, and the dedication of service providers and communities who make recovery possible. The City of Madison and Jefferson County have a multitude of resources available for those struggling with mental health and substance use disorders; Centerstone, LifeSpring Health Systems, Ruth Haven, Jefferson House, Youth Villages, Recovery Café of Madison, and the Healthy Communities Initiative of Jefferson County's Substance Abuse and Mental Health teams. Mayor Bob Courtney proclaimed September 2024 as National Recovery Month in the City of Madison, Indiana, and presented the proclamation to Michelle, the owner of Recovery Café.

Proclamation for Constitution Week: September 17, 2024, marks the 237th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention. Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17th through 23rd, as Constitution Week. Mayor Bob Courtney proclaimed September 17th through 23rd 2024 as Constitution Week in the City of Madison, Indiana, and presented the proclamation to Sally McWilliams.

Resolutions or bills: Resolution 2024-7C: Accepting Donation from Trolleys from Visit Madison Inc.: Provides for the donation of two trolleys and operator agreement to enhance tourism efforts. Motion: Krebs moved to accept Resolution 2024-7C, seconded by Thevenow. Roll Call Vote: Thevenow – Y, Krebs – Y, Dattilo – Abstain, Schafer – Y, Storm – Y, Bartlett – Y, Wilber – Y. All in favor, motion carried (6-0).

Ordinance 2024-10: Budget Notice of Appropriations and Tax Rates for 2025: The expenses of Madison Civil City for the year ending December 31, 2025, the sums listed in this ordinance are appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds listed and for the purposes listed, subject to the laws governing the same. The sums appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures authorized to be made during the year, unless otherwise expressly stipulated and provided for by law. In addition, to raise revenue to meet the necessary expenses of Madison Civil City, the property tax levies, and property tax rates listed in the ordinance are included. Budget Form 4-B for all funds must be completed and submitted in the manner prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance.

Ordinance 2024-11: Fixing Salaries of Appointed Officers and Employees for 2025: From and after the first day of January 2025, the pay salary scale for the appointed officers and employees of the City of Madison, Indiana shall be hereby fixed. Mayor Bob Courtney as required by IC 36-4-7-3 hereby fixes the salaries and pay schedule for appointed officers and employees of the City of Madison, Indiana, beginning January 1, 2025, and continuing thereafter until changed, and requests such salary rates be approved by the Common Council.

Ordinance 2024-12: Salaries of Elected Officials for 2025: The Common Council of the City of Madison, Indiana will consider and take upon the proposed ordinance fixing the annual compensation of all elected Officials for the calendar year 2025. The meeting was duly published as provided in I.C. 5-14-1.5-5(a). The compensation for the elected officials is fixed at the rates listed in the ordinance and can be found on the City of Madison website for further review.

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

Report of city officials: None.

Bills on third reading: Ordinance 2024-8: Amending the Zoning Map, 1221 Clifty Drive (Sp. Wilber): Roll Call Vote: Thevenow – Y, Krebs – Y, Dattilo – Y, Schafer – Y, Storm – Y, Bartlett – Y, Wilber – Y. All in favor, ordinance passes (7-0).

Ordinance 2024-9: Amending Salary Ordinance 2023-15 (Sp. Wilber): Roll Call Vote: Thevenow – Y, Krebs – Y, Dattilo – Y, Schafer – Y, Storm – Y, Bartlett – Y, Wilber – Y. All in favor, ordinance passes (7-0).

Bills on second reading: Ordinance 2024-6: Amending Common Council Rules (Sp. Wilbur/Schafer)
Tabled on 08/20/2024 and 09/17/2024: Updates meeting procedures of Common Council, reduce the number of readings for a bill from three to two, and clarifies privileges of citizens during public comment. Ordinance 2024-6 will move on to the third reading.

Recess Regular Council Meeting

Call to Order Public Hearing to Discuss Rezoning:

Ordinance 2024-8: Amending the Zoning Map, 1221 Clifty Drive (Sp. Wilber): Renders a decision on a proposal made in the Plan Commission to rezone a parcel of land from (M-1) to (GB).

Close Public Hearing

Reconvene Regular Council Meeting

Bills on Second Reading Continued: Ordinance 2024-8: Amending the Zoning Map, 1221 Clifty Drive (Sp. Wilber): Renders a decision on a proposal made in the Plan Commission to rezone a parcel of land from (M-1) to (GB). Motion: Thevenow moved to suspend the rules and move to a third reading, seconded by Krebs. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Ordinance 2024-9: Amending Salary Ordinance 2023-15 (Sp. Wilber): Amends the existing salary ordinance for 2024 to convert a current position within the Madison Police Department from a stipend-paid position to a full-time position. No new appropriations are needed. **Motion:** Wilber moved to suspend the rules and move to a third reading, seconded by Krebs. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Miscellaneous: None.

Public comment: Mike Greco of 1106 East Street expressed gratitude to the administration for addressing his previous concern. He also raised another issue regarding the safety of the outdoor equipment at a local

restaurant. Sandy Palmer, residing at 105 East Third Street, expressed her opinion that she believes the Lord's Prayer should not be included in the introductions of the Council Meetings.

Mayor's comments: The City of Madison was awarded the Indiana Chamber of Commerce Community of the Year award. The community is invited to join in on the ribbon-cutting ceremony of the new downtown DG Market. Hanging Rock Hill will have a temporary closure on September 24, 2024, for a day.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, October 8, 2024, @ 5:30 pm.

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

Attested:

Mayor

President Pro Tempore

Shirley Rynearson, Clerk-Treasurer



