

August 23, 2012

The Common Council met immediately following the Water Utility Board at 7:00pm on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis presiding and Members Shelton, Fuelling, Hoehn and Higgins attending. Others attending were Chief Beloit, Chief Dixon, Sewer Superintendent Givens, Bob Boerner, Nancy Sexton, Ann Fisher, Sara Manifold – Mt. Vernon Democrat and Pam Robinson – Posey County News.

Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. He added if not, he entertains a motion to waive the reading and approve the minutes as presented.

Councilwoman Shelton makes a motion to approve the minutes as presented.
Seconded by Councilman Fuelling.

Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis asked if there was any discussion.
There was none.

Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote he reported the motion carried unanimously.

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Street and Light Chairman Fuelling – stated he has no report.
Commissioner Maynard was absent.

Police and Dog Chairman Shelton – stated she has no report.
Police Chief Beloit stated he has no report.

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Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis asked if the Clerk-Treasurer had anything for the Council.
Clerk-Treasurer Dike replied no.

Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis stated there are several items on the legal portion of the agenda.

The first item is the 1st Reading of the 2013 Salary Ordinance. He stated it is up for 1st reading only tonight.

Councilman Fuelling makes a motion to pass on first reading the 2013 Salary Ordinance.
Seconded by Councilwoman Higgins.

Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis asked if there was any discussion.
There was none.

Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis stated there is a motion on the floor to pass on 1st reading the 2013 Salary Ordinance and asked for a roll call vote.

Roll Call was taken by Clerk-Treasurer Dike: Councilwoman Shelton – yes, Councilman Fuelling – yes, Councilman Hoehn – yes, Councilwoman Higgins – yes.

Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis stated the 2013 Salary Ordinance passed 1st reading.

Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis stated the next item under legals is the 1st reading of the 2013 Budget Ordinance. Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis stated this ordinance is up for 1st reading and then will run in the paper twice before being brought back for public hearing.

Councilman Fuelling makes a motion to approve on 1st reading the 2013 Budget Ordinance. Seconded by Councilman Hoehn.

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Councilwoman Higgins asked Clerk-Treasurer Dike what the letter attached to the budget ordinance meant that was in their packets.

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Councilman Hoehn makes a motion to pass A Resolution Authorizing the Temporary Loan of Certain Funds.

Seconded by Councilwoman Shelton.

Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis asked if there was any discussion.

There was none.

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Roll Call vote was taken by Clerk-Treasurer Dike: Councilwoman Shelton – yes, Councilman Fuelling – yes, Councilman Hoehn – yes, Councilwoman – Higgins – yes.

Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis stated the motion passed unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer Dike reported the Resolution number is 2012-17 at 7:17pm.

Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis asked if anyone in the audience would like to present anything to the Council.

There was no response.

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