

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA  
December 17, 2025**

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Jasper, Indiana, was held on Wednesday December 17, 2025, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street, Jasper, Indiana.

**Call to Order.** Mayor Dean Vonderheide called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**Roll Call.** Clerk Treasurer Kiersten Knies called the roll.

	<u>In Person</u>	<u>Video</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mayor Dean Vonderheide	X		
Council members:			
John Schroeder	X		
Chad Lueken	X		
Vince Helming	X		
Paul Lorey	X		
Kevin Manley	X		
Nancy Eckerle	X		
Philip Mundy	X		
City Attorney Renee Kabrick	X		
Clerk-Treasurer Kiersten Knies	X		

Knies announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the council members must be in attendance. All the council members were in attendance at the beginning of the meeting, which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

Additionally, Park and Recreation Tom Moorman and Director of Community Development and Planning Josh Gunselman were in attendance.

**Moment of Personal Reflection.** Mayor Dean Vonderheide asked that all present take a moment for personal reflection.

**Pledge of Allegiance.** Mayor Dean Vonderheide invited all those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of the Minutes.** The minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held November 17, 2025, were distributed to, and examined by the Council. A motion was made by Council member Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Council member Vince Helming to approve the minutes from November 17, 2025, without corrections. Motion carried 7-0.

**Presentations.**

Mayor Vonderheide and Jeff Justice with Hafer gave an update on the Regional Wellness Center introducing a revised phased plan.

**Resolution No. 2025-8**

**A Resolution Transferring Property with Greater Jasper Consolidated Schools.**

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Chad Lueken to read Resolution No. 2025-8 by title only. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Resolution No. 2025-8 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Phil Mundy to pass and adopt Resolution No. 2025-8 on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Ordinance No. 2025-33**

**An Ordinance Designating the Canterbury Green IV project as an Economic Development Target Area.**

A motion was made by John Schroeder and seconded by Kevin Manley to read Ordinance No. 2025-33 for one reading only. A motion made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Vince Helming to read Ordinance No. 2025-33 by title only. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2025-33 by title only.

A motion was made by John Schroeder and seconded by Kevin Manley to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2025-33 on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Resolution No. 2025-6**

**A Declaratory Resolution for Canterbury Green IV Designating the Real Estate as an Economic Revitalization Area (ERA).**

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Chad Lueken read Resolution No. 2025-6 by title only. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Resolution No. 2025-6 by title only.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to pass and adopt Resolution No. 2025-6, on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Resolution No. 2025-7**

**A Declaratory Resolution for Kimball International Confirming the Previous Designation of the Project Area as an ERA and Qualifying the New Project Personal Property for Tax Abatement.**

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Vince Helming to read Resolution No. 2025-7 by title only.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Resolution No. 2025-7 by title only.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Phil Mundy to pass and adopt Resolution No. 2025-7, on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Ordinance No. 2025-32**

**An Ordinance Rezoning a Parcel North of 201 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue from R2 to B3.**

Ordinance No. 2025-32 was tabled until the January 21, 2026 meeting.

**Resolution No. 2025-9**

**A Resolution Authorizing Funds Transfer from GolfNow that were Received to the Park General Fund to the Park Special Non-Reverting Capital Fund.**

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Kevin Manley to read Resolution No. 2025-9 by title only. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Kevin Manley to allow Resolution No. 2025-9 to be added to the agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Resolution No. 2025-9 by title only.

A motion was made by Vince Helming and seconded by Chad Lueken to pass and adopt Resolution No. 2025-9 on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Ordinance No. 2025-25**

**An Ordinance Establishing Rules and Regulations for the Adoption, Amendment or Repeal of Ordinances and Resolutions  
(Amending Ordinance No. 2025-1)**

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by John Schroeder to read Ordinance No. 2025-25 by title only on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2025-25 by title only.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Phil Mundy to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2025-25 on the second and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Ordinance No. 2025-27**

**An Ordinance Amending Rates and Charges for Customers of the Jasper Municipal Electric Utility**

**(Amending Jasper Municipal Code §11-08.060 – Green Energy Program)**

A motion was made by Vince Helming and seconded by Paul Lorey to read Ordinance No. 2025-27 by title only on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2025-27 by title only.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by John Schroeder to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2025-27 on the second and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Ordinance No. 2025-28**

**An Ordinance Establishing User Fees and Policies for the Department of Storm Water Management, Concerning Construction Site Storm Water Runoff Control, Regulating Control of Post Construction Storm Water Runoff, Requiring Permits for the Drainage of Storm Water to the City of Jasper Drainage Structures, and Other Matters Related Thereto  
(Amending Section 14.20.040 regarding Stop-Work Orders)**

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Chad Mundy to read Ordinance No. 2025-28 by title only on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2025-28 by title only.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Chad Lueken to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2025-28 on the second and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Ordinance No. 2025-30**

**An Ordinance Appropriating Additional Money for the Remainder of the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Kevin Manley to read Ordinance No. 2025-30 by title only and for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2025-30 by title only.

Mayor Dean Vonderheide opened the meeting for a public hearing. There being no public comment, a motion was made by John Schroeder, seconded by Paul Lorey to close the public hearing. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Kevin Manley and seconded by Chad Lueken to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2025-30 on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Ordinance No. 2025-29**

**An Ordinance to Transfer Appropriations for the Remainder of the Year Ending December 31, 2025**

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Kevin Manley to read Ordinance No. 2025-29 by title only and for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2025-29 by title only.

A motion was made by Kevin Manley and seconded by Paul Lorey to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2025-29 on one reading only procedure. Motion carried 7-0.

**Ordinance No. 2025-31**

**An Ordinance revising the Firefighters Retirement Change**

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Paul Lorey to read Ordinance No. 2025-31 by title only and for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2025-31 by title only.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Phil Mundy to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2025-first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Council Appointments**

A motion was made by Phil Mundy and seconded by Paul Lorey to approve the following council appointments:

- Heath Kluemper – Arts Commission
- Jasmine Bosler – Arts Commission
- John Schroeder – Redevelopment Commission
- Phil Mundy – Redevelopment Commission
- Vince Helming – Solid Waste Management

Motion carried 7-0.

**Acceptance of Donations**

Clerk-Treasurer Kiersten Knies requested Council acceptance of the following donation: Restricted donations to the Jasper Police Department. The Board of Public Works & Safety has approved the restrictions of this donation.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Kevin Manley to accept the donations as presented.

**Adjournment.** There being no further business, a motion was made by Council member Kevin Manley and seconded by Council member Vince Helming to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 7-0 and the meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

The minutes were hereby approved \_\_\_\_ with    without corrections or clarification this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January 2026.

  
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**Mayor Dean Vonderheide, Presiding Officer**

**Attest:**   
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**Kiersten Knies, Clerk-Treasurer**