

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA
FEBRAURY 19, 2020**

A meeting of the Common Council of the City of Jasper, Indiana, was held on Wednesday, February 19, 2020, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street, Jasper, Indiana.

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

Roll Call.

Clerk-Treasurer Allen Seifert called the roll.

Mayor Dean Vonderheide	Present
Council members:	
John Schroeder	Present
Chad Lueken	Present
David Hurst	Present
Paul Lorey	Present
Kevin Manley	Present
Nancy Eckerle	Present
Philip Mundy	Present
City Attorney Renee Kabrick	Present
Clerk-Treasurer Allen Seifert	Present

Seifert announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the council members must be in attendance. Seven of seven council members were in attendance which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

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

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

Approval of the Minutes.

The following minutes were distributed to and examined by the Council:

1. January 15, 2020 Regular Council Meeting

A motion was made by Council member Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Council member Paul Lorey to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

UTILITY SERVICE BOARD REPORT

General Manager of Utilities Gerald 'Bud' Hauersperger gave a report on the utility services.

PUBLIC HEARING – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Public hearing concerning the appropriations to set aside money from general fund to pay for air packs for the fire dept and from EDIT fund to pay for contractual services for Mid-States Corridor.

A notice of the public hearing appeared in the Herald Jan 7, 2020.

The Mayor opened the public hearing for comments. No public comments were heard.

A motion was made by Council member Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Council member Philip Mundy to close the public hearing. Motion carried 7-0.

ORDINANCE 2020-3
AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL MONEY FOR THE
CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE FISCAL
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020

This ordinance appropriates additional money for the Fire Dept for air packs for \$220,000 and transfers an additional \$300,000 for contractual services for the Mid-States Corridor.

A motion was made by Council member Paul Lorey and seconded by Council member Dave Hurst to consider the ordinance for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Paul Lorey and seconded by Council member Kevin Manley to have the ordinance read by title only. Motion carried 7-0. The city attorney so read the ordinance.

Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Chad Lueken and seconded by Council member Nancy Eckerle to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2020- 3. The Mayor opened for discussion, no discussion. Motion carried 7-0.

ORDINANCE 2020 - 4

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
JASPER, INDIANA, ESTABLISHING RULES, REGULATIONS,
CONDITIONS, AND NON-RECURRING CHARGES APPLYING TO
UTILITY SERVICE

(Amending 2009-9 and Repealing 2010-5)

This ordinance establishes rules and regulations for charges to the utility service.

A motion was made by Council member Paul Lorey and seconded by Council member Kevin Manley to consider the ordinance for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Council member Phil Mundy to read the ordinance by title only. Motion carried 7-0. The city attorney so read the ordinance. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member John Schroeder and seconded by Council member Paul Lorey to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2020-4. The Mayor opened for discussion, no discussion. Motion carried 7-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020 - 5

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING RULES, REGULATIONS,
AND CONDITIONS APPLYING TO ELECTRIC SERVICE

(Amending Ord. No. 1998-8)

This ordinance amends Ordinance 1998-8 reference the electric service to security lights.

A motion was made by Council member Dave Hurst and seconded by Council member Kevin Manley to consider the ordinance for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Paul Lorey and seconded by Council member Dave Hurst to have the ordinance read by title only. Motion carried 7-0. The city attorney so read the ordinance.

Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Council member Phil Mundy to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2020- 5. The Mayor opened for discussion, no discussion. Motion carried 7-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020 - 6

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING ANIMALS IN THE CITY OF JASPER
AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF SUCH
REGULATIONS

(Amending Ordinance No. 2018-4)

This ordinance amends ordinance 2018-4. It updates the language to make it consistent with the UDO regarding kennels.

A motion was made by Council member Dave Hurst and seconded by Council member Nancy Eckerle to consider the ordinance for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member John Schroeder and seconded by Council member Dave Hurst to have the ordinance read by title only. Motion carried 7-0. The city attorney so read the ordinance.

Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Dave Hurst and seconded by Council member John Schroeder to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2020- 6. The Mayor opened for discussion. City residents Karla Neukam, Brian Neukam, and Drew Eckert spoke against the ordinance due to their experience with a dog kennel and the noise generated. Council member Chad Lueken made a motion to table Ordinance 2020-6 and this was seconded by Council member Nancy Eckerle. Motion to table passed 6-1, Council members John Schroeder, Chad Lueken, Paul Lorey, Kevin Manley, Nancy Eckerle, and Philip Mundy voting aye while Council member David Hurst voted nay.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

A conflict of interest disclosure statement submitted by Paul Lorey was presented to the council for acceptance.

A motion was made by Council member Kevin Manley and seconded by Council member Chad Lueken to accept the conflict of interest disclosure statement submitted by Paul Lorey. Motion carried 6-0. Paul Lorey Abstained.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020 – 1

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA DESIGNATING A PORTION OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA, AS AN ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA (Park Place Estates One, LLC)


This declaratory resolution is to design a portion of the city as an economic revitalization area and allow the Economic Development Commission to recommend a tax abatement for the property.

A motion was made by Council member Paul Lorey and seconded by Council member Kevin Manley to consider the ordinance for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Paul Lorey and seconded by Council member Phil Mundy to have the ordinance read by title only. Motion carried 7-0. The city attorney so read the ordinance.

Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Dave Hurst and seconded by Council member Paul Lorey to pass and adopt Resolution 2020-1. Under discussion, City Attorney Renee Kabrick advised the entire area was already zoned and motion was to add the economic target development area. Ruger Kerstiens gave a presentation on the area. Motion carried 7-0.

Adjournment. There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Council member Paul Lorey and seconded by Council member Phil Mundy to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 7-0 and the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

The minutes were hereby approved ___ with ~~7~~ without corrections or clarification this 18th day of March, 2020.



Mayor Dean Vonderheide, Presiding Officer

Attest: 

Allen J. Seifert, Clerk-Treasurer