Common Council

Special Meeting

Monday, November 28, 2016, 6:00 p.m.

City Hall, 31 S. Madison Street, Evansville, WI

MINUTES

1. Call to order. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bill Hurtley at 6:04 p.m.
2. Roll Call. Members present: Mayor Bill Hurtley, Alderpersons Jim Brooks, Matt Brown, Rick Cole, Gene Lewis, Josh Manring, James Montgomery, and Erika Stuart (arrived at 6:16 p.m.). Alderpersons Ben Ladick was absent. Others present: City Administrator/ Finance Director Ian Rigg, City Clerk/Treasurer Judy Walton, Community Development Director Jason Sergeant, and Library Board of Trustees Vicki Lecy-Luebke, and Gwen Clendenning.
3. Approval of Agenda. Brooks made a motion, seconded by Manring to approve the agenda. Motion approved 6-0.

1. Approval of Minutes. Manring made a motion, seconded by Cole to defer the reading of the minutes of the November 8, 2016 regular meeting to the next regular meeting. Motion approved 6-0.
2. Civility reminder. Recognition of the commitment to civility and decorum at Council meetings.
3. Citizen appearances
   1. Public Hearing on the 2017 Operating and Capital Budgets
      1. Rigg reviewed the changes that had been made since the previous budget worksheet. Although the city’s tax rate increased, the total tax rate decreased. He added that some of the items in this budget are capital and debt that hopefully will not be in the 2018 budget which should make room in the tax rate for the library expansion.

Brooks asked about the increase in the utility payment in lieu of taxes and Rigg explained the auditors calculate that amount and he estimated it based on past amounts.

* + 1. Hurtley opened the public hearing at 6:12 p.m. There were no public comments. Hurtley closed the public hearing at 6:13 p.m.
    2. Brooks asked about the rent for the building that EMS occupies and Rigg explained that all administration costs incurred by EMS are now being allocated through the payroll and other line items.
    3. Brooks presented the seconded reading and made a motion, seconded by Cole to approve Ordinance 2016-19, an Ordinance Adopting the 2017 Operating and Capital Budgets and Setting Tax Levies (sponsors Montgomery and Cole). Motion approved 7-0 on a roll call vote.

1. Unfinished Business. None
2. New Business
   1. Brooks made a motion, seconded by Cole to approve Resolution 2016-26 a resolution Creating an ad-hoc Westside Park Planning Subcommittee to the Evansville Park Board. Community Development Director Jason Sergeant suggested that he be part of this subcommittee and it was agreed he should be added. Motion approved 7-0 on a roll call vote.
   2. Cole made a motion, seconded by Stuart to approve Resolution 2016-27 A Resolution Regarding the Advisory Referendum on Payment for the Library Expansion.

Manring explained that the resolution represents the Council acknowledging the results of the referendum. He was concerned with the language stating the Council was in support of the funding because the terms of the funding had not been presented. Manring made a motion, seconded by Brooks to amend the motion changing the language in the last sentence from ~~support funding the project~~ to support the project and its funding. Motion approved 7-0 on a roll call vote.

1. Meeting Reminders
   1. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at 6:30 p.m., City Hall.
2. Adjournment. Cole made a motion, seconded by Montgomery to adjourn at 6:40 p.m. Motion approved 7-0.

Judy Walton, City Clerk/Treasurer