

Common Council
RESCHEDULED - Regular Meeting

Wednesday, March 15, 2017, 7:15 p.m.
City Hall, 31 S. Madison Street, Evansville, WI

MINUTES

1. **Call to order.** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bill Hurlley at 7:17 p.m.
2. **Roll Call.** Members present: Mayor Bill Hurlley, Alderpersons Matt Brown, Rick Cole, Ben Ladick, Gene Lewis, Josh Manring, James Montgomery, and Erika Stuart. Alderperson Jim Brooks was absent. Other present: City Administrator/Finance Director Ian Rigg, City Clerk/Treasurer Judy Walton, City Attorney Mark Kopp, Community Development Director Jason Sergeant, Kelly Gildner of The Review, Dawn Espinosa 115 Joshua Dr, Ed Crook 554 Spencer Dr, Nancy Greve-Shannon 131 S 3rd, and Roger Berg.
3. **Approval of Agenda.** Cole made a motion, seconded by Brown to approve the agenda as printed. Motion approved 7-0.
4. **Approval of Minutes.** Cole made a motion, seconded by Manring to waive the reading of the minutes of February 14, 2017 and approve them as presented.
5. **Civility reminder.** Recognition of the commitment to civility and decorum at Council meetings.
6. **Citizen appearances.** None
7. **Reports of Committees**
 - A. **Library Board Report.** Library Director Megan Kloeckner prepared a report that Rigg presented as follows: The annual report is complete and copies will be distributed at the April Council meeting; there were 8,850 registered users in 2016, up 120 from 2015; spring brochures are available; and an app is available for parents to track their child's progress in 1000 Books before Kindergarten.
 - B. **Youth Center Advisory Board Report.** Rigg reported there is an upcoming field trip in April.
 - C. **Plan Commission Report**
 - (1). Manring made a motion, seconded by Cole to approve the preliminary Land Division request for Stonewood Grove (Lot 30) with the following conditions:
 1. Easements and additional right of way added to final plat as shown
 2. Final land dividers agreement is approved by common council
 3. The words "dedicated to the public" are added to all right of way areas

Sergeant stated Municipal Services and Plan Commission both recommended approval. After questions from Council he stated duplexes would be allowed.

Cole rescinded his second and Manning rescinded his motion. Manning made a motion, seconded by Cole to approve the preliminary plat to divide parcel 6-27-559.5030 and adjacent parcels, finding that the land division is in the public interest and meets the objectives contained within Section 11-102(g) of City ordinances with the following conditions:

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Sergeant added that this area was originally zoned for even denser housing, for example senior housing or apartments.

Rigg pointed out that any duplexes would also be eligible for the zero lot line division so each individual can own their side of the duplex and the streets are public versus private which helps with our infrastructure.

Motion approved 6-0 on a roll call vote with Brown abstaining.

D. Finance and Labor Relations Committee Report

- (1). Cole made a motion, seconded by Montgomery to accept the City bills as presented in the amount of \$3,175,420.05. Motion approved 7-0 on a roll call vote.
- (2). Montgomery made a motion, seconded by Cole to approve Resolution 2017-03, Approving TIF Incentive for the Development of Lot #3 on Brown School Rd.

Sergeant gave some history of the property and past proposed uses.

Rigg stated this type of development provides more tax base and more utility use. He explained the “pay-go” method and stated that without this commercial development this incentive would not be offered.

Manning added that this project fits in with the smart growth plan.

Motion approved 6-0 on a roll call vote with Brown abstaining.

- (3). Manning made a motion, seconded by Cole to approve employment agreements between the City of Evansville and the following persons: Scott McElroy, Judy Walton, Mark Sendelbach and Jason Sergeant.

Motion approved 7-0 on a roll call vote.

E. Public Safety Committee Report. Montgomery reported that he and Stuart are working with Pathways Preschool on traffic issues. Stuart added that they are trying to keep the kids safe during 4K pickup.

- (1). Montgomery made a motion, seconded by Stuart to approve the Original Alcohol Beverage License applications for a **Class “A” Beer/“Class A” Liquor License** for: Casey’s Marketing Company, Emma Monheim, Agent, **702 W. Burnett Street, Beaver Dam, WI 53916, d/b/a Casey’s General Store # 3583, 230 E. Main Street, Evansville, WI 53536.**

Motion approved 7-0.

- (2). **Stuart made a motion, seconded by Montgomery to approve the Original Alcohol Beverage License applications for a Class “B” Beer/“Class B” Liquor License for: Francisco Lugo, 304 Central Avenue, Sparta, WI 54656, d/b/a El Vallarta Mexican Restaurant, 609 E. Main Street, Evansville, WI 53536.**

Motion approved 7-0.

F. Municipal Services Report. Ladick reported they discussed Lot 3 on Brown School Road and Lot 30, Stonewood Grove. Rigg added that they touched on possibly needing a standard for street maintenance and noted that storm water credit notices are being mailed.

G. Economic Development Committee Report. Lewis reported they discussed Lot 3 on Brown School Road and Lot 30, Stonewood Grove. Sergeant reported the committee was updated on development inquiries, the website, and the marketing video.

H. Redevelopment Authority Report. None

I. Parks and Recreation Board Report. Ladick reported they discussed job descriptions.

J. Historic Preservation Commission Report. Lewis reported they made a motion to the Wisconsin Association of Historic Preservation Commissions to keep up their membership; the Commission nominated John Decker and Jeff Farnsworth for good community work. They had 42 applications that were approved and 1 that was originally denied but it was resubmitted and approved.

K. Fire District Report. Montgomery reported they had a short meeting but discussed how to handle the waiving of fees due to hardships.

L. Police Commission Report. None

M. Energy Independence Team Report. Ladick reported the Energy Fair has officially ended. They discussed getting an electric vehicle charging station.

N. Board of Appeals Report. None

8. Unfinished Business

- A.** Cole made a motion, seconded by Manring to approve Ordinance 2017-03, An Ordinance rezoning territory from R-3 to R-2. Manring rescinded his second and Cole rescinded his motion.

Cole made a motion, seconded by Lewis to approved Ordinance 2017-03, Rezoning lots 1 through 5 and 7 through 21 as part of a land division of parcels 6-27-559.5030, 6-27-559.2031, 6-27-559.2032, 6-27-559.5033 and a portion of 6-27-559.500D are changed from Residential District Three (R-3) and Residential District One (R-1) to Residential District Two (R-2), finding that the public benefits of the proposed rezoning outweigh any and all potential adverse impacts of the proposed rezoning, as identified in Section 130-174(3)a-c of City

ordinances, with the following conditions: 1. Final Land Division Application is submitted, approved and recorded with the Rock County Register of Deeds.

Sergeant reported this is in connection with the land division application approved earlier in the meeting; Lot 6 would stay R-3 which would allow for denser housing.

Motion approved 6-0 on a roll call vote with Brown abstaining.

- 9. Communications and Recommendations of the Administrator.** Rigg reported he and the Mayor met with the Library Board and discussed cost saving matters on the expansion as well as keeping costs for repairs separate from costs for the expansion; he may do a direct hire to help with organizing records; and staff continues to work on the AMI utility billing issues. A lengthy discussion followed regarding the utility billing issues.

 - A.** Cole made a motion, seconded by Stuart to approve MEUW Compliance Service Agreement. Motion approved 7-0 on a roll call vote.
- 10. Communications and Recommendations of the Mayor.** Mayor Hurtley thanked Jason Sergeant for his work on the Night Owl and the current developments as he has gotten a lot of compliments back. He added that he has spent time at city hall and knows there is a lot of work going on to resolve the utility billing issues.

 - A.** Stuart made a motion, seconded by Montgomery to appoint Leah Hurtley, 464 Church Street to replace Amy Eager as a citizen member to the Tourism Committee. Motion approved 7-0 on a roll call vote.
- 11. New Business.** Montgomery stated he would like the Council to work on emergency plans. For instance last year when we had a storm with all the trees down and there was no working generator at city hall.
- 12. Introduction of New Ordinances.** None
- 13. Meeting Reminders:**

 - A.** Regular Meeting: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 6:30 p.m., City Hall
 - B.** Special Reorganization Meeting: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 6:30 p.m., City Hall
 - C.** Committee of the Whole April 29, 2017 8:00 a.m., Police Station
- 14. Adjournment.** Cole made a motion, seconded by Montgomery to adjourn at 8:41 p.m. Motion approved 7-0.

Judy Walton, City Clerk-Treasurer