

**City of Evansville Common Council**  
**Regular Meeting**  
City Hall, 31 S Madison St, Evansville WI 53536  
Tuesday, **March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022**, 6:00 p.m.

**Minutes**

1. **Call to order-** The meeting was called to order by Hurtley at 6:01 pm.
2. **Roll call-**

Members	Present/Absent	Others Present
Aldersperson, Jim Brooks	P	City Administrator, Jason Sergeant
Aldersperson, Rick Cole	P	Community Development Director, Colette Spranger
Aldersperson, Dianne Duggan	P	City Clerk, Darnisha Haley
Mayor, Bill Hurtley	P	City Treasurer, Julie Roberts
Aldersperson, Ben Ladick	P	Attorney, Mark Schroeder
Aldersperson, Susan Becker	P	Police Chief, Patrick Reese
Aldersperson, Gene Lewis	P	Nick Bubolz-Town & Country Engineering
Aldersperson, Joy Morrison	P	Ann Antonsen- Baker Tilly
Aldersperson, Erika Stuart	P	Other members of the general public

3. **Approval of agenda-** Brooks made a motion, seconded by Duggan to move agenda item 10C after Item #5. Motion passed 8-0.
4. **Approval of Minutes-**Brooks made a motion, seconded by Cole to waive the reading of the minutes of the February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 meetings and approve as presented. There was one correction to the number of votes on agenda item #4. Motion passed 8-0.
5. **Civility reminder-**Recognition of the commitment to civility and decorum at council meeting.  
Brooks made a motion, seconded by Duggan to approve proclamation 2022-03 for Jennifer Braun from BASE.
6. **Citizen appearances other than agenda items listed - None**
  - A. **Public Hearing:** Final Assessment for 1<sup>st</sup> Street & 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Badger Drive Intersection, Wind Prairie Multi-Use Path, and Maple Street & Main Street Sidewalk.
    - 1) **Staff Report-**Nick Bubolz from Town & country Engineering present an overview of the street project, describing services that were installed.
    - 2) **Public Hearing-**Mayor Hurtley opened the meeting to the public at 6:09 pm.  
Members of the public that spoke included:
      - (i) Lisa Legler at 450 S First St
      - (ii) Pat Tierney-419 W Main St
      - (iii) Ann Kolasch- 39 Mill St
      - (iv) Mayor Hurtley closed the public hearing at 6:29 pm.

- 3) **Final discussion by Council-** Becker asked who is it that follows up with the concerns that citizens have with the work of the contractors on these project. Bubolz stated that Town and Country is who will be following up with any concerns brought up with this project. Bubolz with address all of the concerns and will updated the final assessment report and provide that to the City Clerk.
- 4) Brooks made a motion, seconded by Morrison to approve Resolution 2022-08, A Final Resolution Authorizing Public Improvements and Levying Special Assessments against Benefitting Property in Evansville, Wisconsin. Subject to addressing the two issues presented at public hearing to the satisfaction of the City Engineers. Motion passes 8-0 on a roll call vote.

## 7. Reports of Committees

- A. **Library Board Report-**The library report prepared by Megan Kloeckner was included in the council packet.

### General Updates

- The 2021 Annual Report has been submitted to the Department of Public Instruction. Copies have been/will be emailed out to everyone.
  - We had a 1.8% increase in registered card users from 2020 to 2021; total registered users is now 9,432.
- We have begun working on a diversity audit of the library's collection. This is a multi-year project, and we are hoping to get through the children's collection in 2022.

### Program Updates

- This Saturday at 10:00 AM we are providing an opportunity for patrons to come in and decorate their quilt squares for our Community Quilt Project. Attendees will also have the opportunity to learn some embroidery tricks if they want to try sewing a photo of their home onto their quilt square.
- The March podcast episode is available. March is Disability Awareness Month, and to help celebrate, we were joined by Laura and Mystee who agreed to share their stories with our listeners.

- B. **Youth Center Advisory Board Report-**Becker reported the board created focused survey questions that will be going out to parents for 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders. This survey will be going out after spring break.

### C. **Plan Commission Report**

- 1) Cole made a motion, seconded by Becker to Approve of the rezoning of parcel 6-27-559.5071 to R-2 Residential District Two, and a the approval of a certified survey map to divide the rezoned parcel 6-27-559.5071 into two lots for a two-family twin residence, located at 353 South Sixth Street and 602 Badger Drive, finding that the application is in the public interest and meets the objectives contained within Section 110-102(g) of city ordinances, subject to the following condition:

- a. The final CSM and joint maintenance agreement is recorded with Rock County Register of Deeds.

Motion passed 8-0 on a roll call vote.

- 2) Cole made a motion, seconded by Becker to Approve of the rezoning of parcel 6-27-559.5067, to R-2 Residential District Two, and a the approval of a

certified survey map to divide the rezoned parcel 6-27-559.5067 into two lots for a two-family twin residence, located at 305 South Sixth Street and 601 Porter Road, finding that the application is in the public interest and meets the objectives contained within Section 110-102(g) of city ordinances, subject to the following condition:

- a. The final CSM and joint maintenance agreement is recorded with Rock County Register of Deeds.

Motion passes 8-0 on a roll call vote.

- 3) Cole made a motion, seconded by Becker to Approve of the creation of a 1.97 acre residential lot from parcel 6-20-191, a 37.0 acre lot zoned A-1 Exclusive Agriculture, located at 8235 N Cemetery Road, Town of Union, finding that the application is in the public interest and meets the objectives contained within Sections 110-230 and 110-102(g) of city ordinances, subject to the following conditions:

- a. The final CSM is recorded with Rock County Register of Deeds
- b. The applicant fulfills any other obligations set forth by the Town of Union and Rock County.

Motion passes 8-0 on a roll call vote.

#### **D. Finance and Labor Relations Committee Report**

- 1) Cole made a motion, Seconded by Duggan to accept the February 2022 City bills as presented in the amount of \$4,045,051.30. Motion passed 8-0 on a roll call vote.
- 2) Cole made a motion, seconded by Brooks to approve Resolution 2022-07, A resolution for an Affordable Housing Extension in Tax Incremental District number seven. Motion passes 8-0 on a roll call vote.
- 3) Discussion on Park Improvement Budget-Sergeant reported MSA is at the point where they are starting construction documents and anticipating next month to get the project out to bid. It is also anticipated that the project will go through the level of zoning review next month. The storm water analysis of the property began, there are some concerns with the stormwater handling if there is any work done on the east end of the park. The recommendation was to touch the east side of the park as little as possible. This will change cost wise there is a bit more money that will have to be spend on the Westside of the park moving the stormwater runoff from the ball field, parking lot and the pool west towards Regional Pond. MSA has finished a design for the Leonard Leota Park splashpad, the plans are for a flow-through splashpad which will have a limit on the number of gallons of water it can use in a day. This is achieved by having the splashpad on only during certain hours, touch activated features and the use of auto timers.
- 4) Cole made a motion, seconded by Morrison to approve the 2022-2031 Capital Improvement Plan. Motion passed 8-0 on a roll call vote
- 5) Baker Tilly Presentation of Compensation Study-Ann Antonsen present the finding from the Comprehensive Wage Study and the suggested Compensation Plan and Position Assignment.
- 6) Cole made a motion, seconded by Brooks to accept the Compensation Philosophy. Motion passes 8-0 on a roll call vote.

- E. **Public Safety Committee Report**-Duggan reported there was one operator's license approved. The committee reviewed a few new alcohol ordinances that were presented regarding street closures and alcohol licenses. The police department calls are up 100% over last year, most likely due to people being out and about. EMS calls are up 37% over the last 2 months, they are having trouble with recruitment and retention.
  - F. **Municipal Services Report**-Brooks reported the committee discussed bid prep for the pool and upcoming streets project. Amy Wanek from WPPI was our Energy Services Representative, she has left the organizations so the committee reviewed the commitment to community funds that are available through the rest of the year. Brooks reported that he spoke to Jake from WPPI and they have identified a couple good candidates to replace Amy Wanek and hope to start in person interview in the next two weeks.
  - G. **Economic Development Committee**-Did not meet.
  - H. **Parks and Recreation Board Report**-Morrison stated that Jason highlighted most of the concerns and issues with the pool and park expansion project.
  - I. **Historic Preservation Commission**-Lewis reported the following:
    - 1) 113 E Main St-Application to replace windows approved
    - 2) 246 W Liberty- There was a glitch in the system that an application received an approval to replace windows with vinyl ones.

The committee also discussed keeping the heavy trucks off of the brick roads.
  - J. **Fire District Report**-Stuart reported there were a couple appeals, one was approved. The fire board also discussed that they do not get reimbursed for all of the calls.
  - K. **Police Commission Report**-Did not meet.
  - L. **Energy Independence Team Report**-Did not meet
  - M. **Board of Appeals Report**-Did not meet.
8. **Unfinished Business**
- A. Brooks made a motion, seconded by Duggan to approve Ordinance 2022-02, An ordinance Rezoning Territory from Residential District One (R-1) to Residential District Two (R-2). Motion passes 8-0.
9. **Communications and Recommendations of the Administrator**-Sergeant reported that he's about 75% through employee evaluations, these should be finished up next week.
10. **Communications and Recommendations of the Mayor**
- A. Brooks made a motion, seconded by Duggan to approve Proclamation 2022-01 for Pride Month. Motion passed 8-0.
  - B. Brooks made a motion, seconded by Cole to approve Proclamation 2022-02 for National Library Week. Motion Passes 8-0.
  - C. ~~Motion to approve Proclamation 2022-03 for Jennifer Braun from BASE.~~ This time was moved up on the agenda to be presented after agenda item# 5.
  - D. Brooks made a motion, seconded by Cole to approve the committee citizen appointment of Lauren Williams as an Alternate for a five-year term to the Board of Review. Motion passes 8-0

11. **New Business**-None
12. **Introduction of New Ordinances**
  - A. First reading of Ordinance 2022-03 Amending Chapter 6-Alcohol Beverage.
  - B. First reading of Ordinance 2022-04 Amending Chapter 106-Street Sidewalk & Other Public Places.
  - C. First reading of Ordinance 2022-05 Amending Chapter 130-Temporary Land Uses.
13. **Meeting Reminder**
  - A. Regular meeting April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022 6:00 p.m.
  - B. Reorganization Meeting April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
14. **Adjourn**-Cole made a motion, seconded by Becker to adjourn at 8:45 pm. Motion passed 8-0.

Darnisha Haley, City Clerk

**The minutes are not official until approved by the Common Council at the next regular meeting.**