

COMMON COUNCIL

December 5, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by everyone in attendance.

Prayer was given by Councilman Peckinpaugh

Meeting was called to order by Mayor York.

ROLL CALL:

Mary Abbott	Absent
Jeff Hancock	Present
Jerry Walden	Present
Aaron Dicken	Present
Mark Koger	Present
Lynn Perdue	Present
Rex Peckinpaugh	Present

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- Councilman Peckinpaugh moved to suspend the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and approve. Councilman Hancock seconded. Motion carried 6-0

Mary Abbott	Jeff Hancock	Jerry Walden	Aaron Dicken	Mark Koger	Lynn Perdue	Rex Peckinpaugh
Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

PROCLAMATIONS:

- Indiana Statehood Day and Bicentennial – Named December 11, 2016

RESOLUTIONS:

- No Resolutions

ORDINANCES:

- No Ordinances

OTHER BUSINESS:

- No reports presented to Council.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Council-lady Abbott: Noted;
• No report.

Councilman Hancock: Noted;
• No report.

Councilman Walden: Noted;
• Noted Tommy Allen should be recognized and celebrated.
• Stated he had made a Facebook “response” page requesting responses regarding South 14th Street. Results were to keep open and work toward completion

- Councilman Dicken:

Noted;
 - Regarding South 14th Street, communication and planning is key to decision.
 - Thanked the Chamber of Commerce for another successful Christmas Walk event.
 - Suggested a Robert Indiana birthplace sign be placed on State Road 3.
- President Koger:

Noted;
 - Stated there was a Committee developed for the South 14th Street open or closure, to allow them to do what they were tasked to do.
- Councilman Perdue:

Noted;
 - Regarding South 14th Street, stated he had citizens who had informed him the closure was a very small inconvenience and that change was always an adjustment for improvement. Not everyone would like it, but with progression comes change that everyone adjusts to.
- Councilman Peckinpaugh:

Noted;
 - Regarding South 14th Street, allow the Committee to do their job and bring their recommendation to Council. The public will be allowed to voice their opinion at a public hearing.
 - Thanked the Firemen who helped a Kroger employee gather carts on a rainy cold day last week. Recognizing Bobby Sells.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- Attorney Copenhaver noted that any change within the city is painful, but progression has momentum.
- Director Sloan announced the annual Transit Tour of Lights scheduled for December 19th and 20th.
- Mayor York informed Council of an upcoming ordinance to increase Cemetery rates as well as designating new spaces in West Lawn for Veterans and new spaces for sale.
- Chief Boatright announced the annual Shop with a Fireman is scheduled for December 10th at WalMart starting at 8:00 am.
- Mayor York informed Council he had been contacted by the wind turbine company requesting to do a 15-20 minute presentation to Council, he stated he had informed them he would present request to Council. After discussion, Council asked the Mayor to respectfully decline.

CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

- Carrie Barrett, Director of the Main Street Group updated Council on the Arts Park District, requesting a letter of support from the City Council to pursue funds. Councilman Hancock moved to recommend Council submit a letter of intent to support. Councilman Peckinpaugh seconded. Motion carried 6-0

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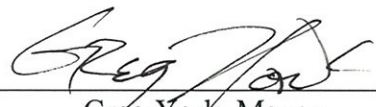
Councilman Peckinpaugh moved to adjourn. Councilman Hancock seconded. Meeting adjourned.


Presiding Officer of the Common Council

ATTEST:


Christy York, Clerk Treasurer

Approved by me this 5th day of December 2016.


Greg York, Mayor

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Christy York, Clerk Treasurer