

COMMON COUNCIL

July 7, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor York.

ROLL CALL:

Mike Guffey	Present
Jeff Hancock	Present
Jerry Walden	Absent
Aaron Dicken	Present
Mark Koger	Present
Lynn Perdue	Present
Rex Peckinpaugh	Present

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- Vice President Hancock moved to accept the minutes from the former meeting.
Councilman Guffey seconded. Motion carried 6-0

Mike Guffey	Jeff Hancock	Jerry Walden	Aaron Dicken	Mark Koger	Lynn Perdue	Rex Peckinpaugh
Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Abstained

PUBLIC HEARING:

- No Public Hearing

PROCLAMATIONS:

- No Proclamations

RESOLUTIONS:

- No Resolutions

ORDINANCES:

- #3864 VACATING A RIGHT OF WAY (LAWSON DRIVE). President Peckinpaugh moved to approve on third reading. Councilman Perdue seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Mike Guffey	Jeff Hancock	Jerry Walden	Aaron Dicken	Mark Koger	Lynn Perdue	Rex Peckinpaugh
Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

- #3865 PARK IMPROVEMENTS BY PARK BOARD THROUGH ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS President Peckinpaugh moved to approve on third reading. Vice President Hancock seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Mike Guffey	Jeff Hancock	Jerry Walden	Aaron Dicken	Mark Koger	Lynn Perdue	Rex Peckinpaugh
Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

OTHER BUSINESS:

Discussion was held regarding 2-hour parking on Broad Street.

- Councilman Dicken talked with downtown businesses and stated that 85% of the businesses said that there is a parking problem but that only 50% were interested in the 2-hour parking. Councilman Dicken also stated that his thoughts are that's show people where they can park, not where they can't and we should not only be trying to attract people from out of town but our own Citizens to come downtown also. Councilman Dicken also added, we should ask the County to start taking care of their property and do something to dress up the parking lots downtown.
- Councilman Hancock stated that downtown has come a long way and he would not want the signage signs to take away from that.
- Councilman Koger stated that we needed to have signage for the off-street parking and that the Sheriff's Department needs to park in the parking lot and not on the sidewalks on Main Street and parking spots on Race Street.
- Councilman Perdue stated we need to line the parking spots on Broad as some people take up 2 to 3 spaces by parking so far apart.
- President Peckinpaugh stated in the end the Council could ask for the signs but it would be the Board of Works. President Peckinpaugh also stated that the downtown area was considered to be from Indiana Avenue to North Vine Street and from 11th Street to 15th Street. President Peckinpaugh read a letter signed but some of the downtown businesses asking for the 2-hour parking signs to be placed back out.
- Mike Broyles approached Council and stated that Council should also talk to the building owners and not just the business owners.
- Carrie Barrett with Main Street stated that business owners had told her the signs were there and would be replaced after the sidewalks were completed. The key here is communication.
- Patty Broyles stated that in 2020 they owned property downtown and had renters in the upstairs. There was no place for them to park but on Broad and if they were off during the day, it was no fair to ask them to move their vehicle every 2 hours. We want apartments downtown we need to fix the Americana parking lot for them to park in.
- Terri York owner of Twin Lions stated that she had a renter in her building and they only have access to their apartment from the front and would not want them to have move their vehicle every 2 hours either. She also stated that she would like to have the Handicap signs on both ends of the street by the ADA sidewalks.

After all discussion was heard Councilman Dicken asked Council to go back and read the current ordinance and see if that needs to be updated. Councilman Perdue asked for the stripes to be added and Handicap parking put back into place and signage of where to park might be where the City needs to start to resolve the issues.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Guffey: Noted;

- 1012 and 1017 S. 24th Street properties are horrible. Health Department was out there today. Attorney Harvey stated that a notice was sent they had to clean up the property or the City would clean it up and lien the property.

Vice-President Hancock: Noted;

- Gene Miller was satisfied by the County coming out and taking care of the run off on to his property.
- Advised there was a chuck hole at Main and Indiana that needed some attention.
- Thanked Carrie and her volunteers for cleaning up Broad Street and how nice it was looking.

Councilman Walden: Noted;

- Absent

Councilman Dicken: Noted;

- No Comments

Councilman Koger: Noted;

- No Comments

Councilman Perdue: Noted;

- No Comments

President Peckinpaugh: Noted;

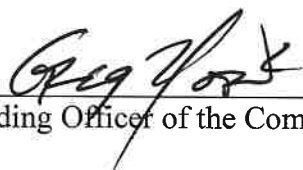
- No Comments

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- Director Barker talked about the Fitzgerald Trail and they paving was done. The whole project should be completed with in 2 weeks, weather permitting. Councilman Guffey asked if the weeds were going to be taken down along the road. Director Barker advised that they would be.
- Mayor York stated there would be a dedication to the trail in the future. Mayor York is not sure when as they have to get with the Fitzgerald Family on their schedules.

CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

- No Citizens Appeared
- Meeting Adjourned Councilman Walden



Presiding Officer of the Common Council

ATTEST:



Brenda Grider, Clerk Treasurer

Approved by me this 6th, Day of July 2021.



Greg York, Mayor

ATTEST:



Brenda Grider, Clerk Treasurer