

**COMMON COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION  
JANUARY 4, 2010  
7:00 P.M.**

The Common Council of the City of Warsaw met in a Regular Session on Monday, January 4, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Ernest Wiggins presided and the following persons were noted as present or absent:

**PRESENT:** Councilmen Charles Smith, Jeff Grose, George Clemens, Kyle Babcock, Joe Thallemer, and Daniel Hampton. Also present Mayor Wiggins, Clerk-Treasurer Elaine Call, H/R Director Jennifer Whitaker, Stacey Page, reporter with News with Stacey Page.com, and Warsaw Times Union reporter Jennifer Peryam.

**ABSENT:** Councilman Jerry Patterson

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Wiggins followed by the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**REPORTS –**

The following reports and communications were presented:

- (1) Purdue Cooperative Extension Service – Dr. Larry DeBoer hardcopy of presentation on Local Government Finance entitled “Recession, Recovery and Indiana Government Budgets.
- (2) WCC - Warsaw Community Church letter requesting volunteers for the month of January in assisting the Salvation Army with their “Project Refuge” for the homeless.

**NEW BUSINESS –**

**2010 ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT -**

Mayor Wiggins opened the floor for nominations for Council President. Councilman Smith nominated Joe Thallemer for Council President. This motion was seconded by Councilman Clemens. There were no further nominations. The nominations were closed. Council voted unanimously to elect Councilman Thallemer as Council President for the year 2010.

**COUNCIL/MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS –**

The following appointments were made by the Mayor and Council.

**MAYOR APPOINTMENTS:**

- (1) Mayor Wiggins appointed Joe Thallemer and Charles Smith to the Board of Public Works and Safety.
- (2) Mayor Wiggins reappointed Tammy Rockey and Ron Yeiter and appointed Tim Meyer and Jeff Johnson to the Redevelopment Commission. He re-appointed Tammy Keirn to the Warsaw Housing Authority and he stated that one more Board member is to be determined. He re-appointed Gene Zale to the Aviation Board, John Sadler to the Park Board and to the Cemetery Board Don Bixel and Warren Tatter.

**COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS:**

- (1) Motion made by Councilman Thallemer to re-appoint Bruce Woodward to serve as Council Representative on the BZA and to re-appoint Charles Smith and Rick Snodgrass to the Redevelopment Commission, seconded by Councilman Smith, carried by unanimous vote.

(List attached to minutes, also showing Council reps to Boards).

**UTILITY SERVICE FOR NEW CITY OWNED PROPERTY –**

The City of Warsaw Redevelopment Commission purchased a property from Heartline Pregnancy Center – property address of 337 N. Buffalo Street. City Planner Jeremy Skinner requested the Council approve the transfer of utilities over to the City’s name. Motion made by Councilman Babcock to approve the request, seconded by Councilman Hampton, carried by unanimous vote. (Letter of explanation attached to minutes).

**TEMPORARY LOAN TO FIRE AND POLICE PENSION FUND –**

Clerk-Treasurer Call reported that the Fire and Police Pension Funds will be in the hole as of 12/31/09 unless the Council allows for a loan to the Funds effective 12/31/09 also approving the extension across the year for the repayment. This is due to having the investment cross- over into the year, the pension relief distribution not meeting the pension payouts, and the property tax distribution coming in less than estimated. Ordinance #2009-12-06 setting for the temporary loan transfer from the General Fund was presented for approval. Motion made by Councilman Smith to approve the loan, seconded by Councilman Hampton, carried by unanimous vote. (Copy attached to minutes).

**ADJOURNED -**

There being no further business to come before the Council by a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.

**ATTEST:**

**Elaine Call, Clerk-Treasurer**