

**COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
SEPTEMBER 18, 2017
7:00 P.M.**

The Common Council of the City of Warsaw met in a Regular Session on Monday, September 18, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Joseph M. Thallemer presided and the following persons were noted as present or absent:

PRESENT: Council members Cindy Dobbins, Jack Wilhite, Jeff Grose, Ron Shoemaker, and Jerry Frush. Also present, Mayor Joseph Thallemer, Clerk-Treasurer Lynne Christiansen, City Attorney Mike Valentine, Wastewater Treatment Utility Manager Brian Davison, Street Superintendent Jeff Beeler, City Planner Jeremy Skinner, Attorney Randolph Rompola from Barnes and Thornburg, Jeffrey Rowe from HJ Umbaugh and Associates, InkFree News reporter Maggie Kenworthy, and Times-Union reporter Dan Spaulding.

ABSENT: Council members Mike Klondaris and Diane Quance.

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

MINUTES-

The minutes from the September 5, 2017 meeting were presented for approval. Motion made by Councilor Frush to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilor Wilhite and carried by unanimous vote.

VISITORS-

Mayor Thallemer acknowledged and welcomed those in attendance and recognized Boy Scout Troop #819 and their Scout Master Jim Miller.

REPORTS/ORAL & WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS-

1. Revised Certified Tech Park 2018 Budget
2. August 2017 Fund Report
3. Semi-annual Financial Management Reports from HJ Umbaugh & Associates for WWTU and Stormwater Utility

UNFINISHED BUSINESS-

None noted.

NEW BUSINESS-

PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED 2018-2020 WASTEWATER UTILITY PROJECT-

Mayor Thallemer gave a presentation of the proposed Wastewater Utility rehabilitation and expansion. The planned project will be completed in two (2) phases. Customer rates will be effective in two (2) phases as well, and are expected to increase in total by thirty-nine (39) percent. The project will involve critical repairs in infrastructure, and expansion at the plant that has been deemed necessary by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM).

PRESENTATION OF WASTEWATER RATE ANALYSIS-

Jeffery Rowe from H.J. Umbaugh & Associates presented information on Wastewater Utility rate analysis. The presentation included estimated project costs and funding, revenue and operating costs, present and proposed charges, and a comparison chart of the Cities rates compared to other rates in Indiana. The report presented was for the purpose of discussion and is subject to change.

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NEW SCHEDULE OF RATES/WWTU-

Ordinance #2017-10-01 was presented. The Ordinance establishes new rates and charges, amending Chapter 78 of the City Code, for properties served by the Wastewater Utility. The Ordinance relates to phase #1 of the WWTU rehabilitation. After discussion, Councilor Grose made a motion to acknowledge the first reading of Ordinance 2017-10-01, seconded by Councilor Wilhite, carried by unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION DECLARING OFFICIAL INTENT TO REIMBURSE EXPENDITURES/WWTU-

Randolph Rompola from Barnes and Thornburg presented Resolution #2017-09-02. The Resolution allows for reimbursement for expenditures from a proposed bond issue for the sanitary sewer rehabilitation project. The principal amount of the bonds is not to exceed \$10,500,000.00 payable from

sewage works revenues. After discussion Councilor Frush made a motion to approve Resolution #2017-09-02, seconded by Councilor Dobbins, carried by unanimous vote from Council members in attendance.

TRANSFER ORDINANCE/STREET-

Ordinance #2017-09-02, transferring \$70,000.00 within the Street Department budget, and more specifically set forth within the Ordinance, was presented for approval. Motion made by Councilor Dobbins to approve the Ordinance on first reading, seconded by Councilor Shoemaker, carried by unanimous vote. Motion then made by Councilor Shoemaker to suspend the rules and pass on second reading, seconded by Councilor Frush, carried by unanimous vote.

OTHER MATTERS-

None noted.

ADJOURNED-

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

ATTEST:

Lynne Christiansen, Clerk-Treasurer