

**COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
DECEMBER 17, 2018
7:00 P.M.**

The Common Council of the City of Warsaw met in a Regular Session on Monday, December 17, 2018 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, Mike Klondaris, Jerry Frush, and Diane Quance. Also present Mayor Thallemer, Clerk-Treasurer Lynne Christiansen, City Attorney Michael Valentine, Street Superintendent Jeff Beeler, Human Resources Director Jennifer Whitaker, others as noted on the attached attendance sheet, InkFree News reporter Maggie Kenworth, and Times-Union reporter Dan Spaulding.

ABSENT: None

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

MINUTES-

The minutes from the December 3, 2018 Regular Session were presented for approval. Motion made by Councilor Frush to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilor Quance, carried by unanimous vote.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS-

Mayor Thallemer welcomed all of those in attendance.

REPORTS/ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATION-

The following reports and communications were presented:

- (1) November 2018 Fund Report.
- (2) 1782 Notice.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS-

2019 ELECTED OFFICIALS SALARY ORDINANCE-

Ordinance #2018-10-04, establishing compensation for the year 2019 for Elected Officials, was presented for its second reading and final approval. After discussion a motion was made by Councilor Grose to approve the Ordinance on second and final reading, seconded by Councilor Dobbins, carried by unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS-

ORDINANCE DEDICATING STREETS-

Ordinance #2018-12-01 was presented for approval. The Ordinance dedicates certain streets within the City so they can be included in road inventory. Motion made by Councilor Shoemaker to approve the ordinance on first reading, seconded by Councilor Dobbins, carried by unanimous vote. Councilor Quance made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Councilor Frush, carried by unanimous vote. Councilor Grose made a motion to approve the ordinance on second reading, seconded by Councilor Wilhite, carried by unanimous vote.

BUDGET YEAR 2018 - 1782 NOTICE REVIEW-

The 1782 Notice was received from the Department of Local Government Finance on Friday December 14th. The City has until December 26th to respond to the notice. Mayor Thallemer reviewed the Notice with the Council.

RESOLUTION OF LINE 1A REDUCTIONS FROM 2019 BUDGET-

Declaratory Resolution #2018-12-01 setting forth Line 1A reductions from the 2019 Budget was presented for approval. The reductions are in response to the 1782 Notice received from the DLGF. The Resolution sets a targeted tax rate of 1.2797 with reductions totaling \$247,500.00. After discussion, a motion was made by Councilor Klondaris to approve the Resolution, seconded by Councilor Frush, and carried by unanimous vote.

OTHER MATTERS-

REMOVAL AND ADDITION OF STREET LIGHT SERVICE-

Councilor Klondaris gave information to the Council about several street lights along Lincoln Street. The City currently pays for a light on pole 621/383 that is north of the intersection of Main and Lincoln streets on the east side of the street. Another street light is located on pole 621/382 at the intersection of Main and Lincoln Streets on the east side of the street that the City does not pay for. Northern Indiana Public Service Company (NIPSCO) is asking the City if it would like to pay for both lights or just one. After discussion a motion was made by Councilor Shoemaker to retire the light on pole 621/383 and activate the light on police 621/382, seconded by Councilor Grose, carried by unanimous vote.

CITY ATTORNEY MIKE VALENTINE-

This is the last Council meeting that City Attorney Mike Valentine will be attending due to his retirement at the end of the year. Several Council members and the Mayor expressed their appreciation toward his many years of service to the City and he was wished all the best and happiness.

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