

**COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
May 2, 2011
7:00 P.M.**

The Common Council of the City of Warsaw met in a Regular Session on Monday, May 02, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Ernest B. Wiggins presided and the following persons were noted as present or absent:

PRESENT: Mayor Ernest Wiggins, Councilmembers Joe Thallemer, Charles Smith, Jerry Patterson, Jeff Grose, and Diane Quance, Clerk-Treasurer Lynne Christiansen, City Attorney Michael Valentine, City Planner Jeremy Skinner, Fire Territory Chief Mike Rice, Attorneys Steve Snyder and Richard Helm, WCDC Director Mary Ellen Rudisal-Jordan, Jurgeon and Matthew Voss, Mike Diffendal from Borden Waste, Lori and Chad Whitehead from Whimet Inc., Kim and Denny Fuller from Little Crow, and Times Union Reporter Jennifer Peryam.

ABSENT: Councilmembers George Clemens, and Kyle Babcock.

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

MINUTES –

The minutes from the April 18, 2011 executive and regular sessions were presented for approval. Motion made by Councilmember Quance to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilmember Smith and carried by unanimous vote.

REPORTS/ORAL & WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS –

1. OrthoWorx report on study of Orthopedic Industry in Northern Indiana
2. April Investment Report
Documentation attached to minutes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS-

RESOLUTION/TAX ABATEMENT/FLEXAUST-

Attorney Richard Helm presented **Resolution #2011-04-01**, for his client, Flexaust Company, Inc., designating the property they currently own at 1510 Armstrong Road an Economic Revitalization Area for the purpose of a ten (10) year personal property tax abatement. This property had been erroneously omitted from the resolution/tax abatement for Flexaust Company, Inc., that was passed during the March 7, 2011 Council meeting. This is the Public Hearing for the resolution. Mayor Wiggins asked for anyone who was in favor or against the Resolution to speak and no one came forward, closing the public hearing portion of the meeting. After discussion Councilmember Thallemer made a motion to pass the resolution granting the abatement, seconded by Councilmember Grose, carried by unanimous vote. (Copy Attached)

NEW BUSINESS-

TAX ABATEMENT COMPLIANCE FORMS –

City Planner Jeremy Skinner presented for approval the following list of companies who submitted their form CF-1 Real (SF 51766) and Personal Property (SF 51765), and SB-1 Personal Property (SF 51764) “compliance for continuation of tax abatement” requests. Mr. Skinner recommended approval of continuation of tax abatements, finding all companies to be in compliance.

- (1) Dalton Corp., 1900 E. Jefferson St., Personal Property, no representative present
- (2) DePuy Orthopedics, 700 & 715 Orthopedic Drive, one (1) Real Property, and one (1) Personal Property, no representative present
- (3) Flexaust Company, 1510 Armstrong Road, Personal Property, representative present.
- (4) Flomar Realty, 1510 Armstrong Rd, Real Property, representative present.
- (5) Little Crow Milling Co., 201 S. Detroit St., Personal Property, representatives present.
- (6) Martin’s Super Markets, Inc., 1150 Husky Trail, Real Property, representative present.
- (7) Othy Inc./Symmetry Medical, 486 W. 350 N. and 3724 N. St. Rd. 15, two (2) Real Property and, two (2) Personal Property, no representative present.
- (8) Whimet Properties LLC, 2100/2156 N Detroit St., two (2) Personal Property, one (1) Real Estate, representative present.

(9) Zimmer USA, Inc., Zimmer , Inc., and Zimmer Production, Inc., 345 Main St., 1610 Armstrong Rd., 1777 & 1800 W. Center St., six (6) Real and six (6) Personal Property, no representative present.

Motion made by Councilmember Smith approving all forms, seconded by Councilmember Patterson, carried by unanimous vote.

TAX ABATEMENT COMPLIANCE FORM-

City Planner Jeremy Skinner presented another compliance form that was omitted from the agenda for R & B Investors Partnership. Mr. Skinner recommended continuing with the abatement. Councilmember Patterson and Thallemer inquired if the added jobs were full or part-time. Motion made by Councilmember Smith to approve the form, seconded by Councilmember Patterson, carried by unanimous vote.

OTHER MATTERS-

RECYCLABLES-

Mike Diffendal from Borden Waste advised the Council that the proposed new routes will start on Wednesday the 4th. Councilmember Quance thanked him for keeping the pick-up days the same.

DEMOLITION OF GATKE PROPERTY-

Mayor Wiggins advised the Council that possible funding for the demolition of the buildings standing on the Gatke property could come from the Capital Cumulative Development (CCD) Fund.

CENTER LAKE LEVY-

Mayor Wiggins asked that people not walk, ride bikes, or drive across the easement for the levy on Center Lake located in Rolling Hills sub-division off of Crest Lane. He also advised that sand-bags had been delivered to several residents along Sunset Drive and Miner Drive to stop flooding water from seeping into houses.

PERMISSION TO DRIVE "GATOR" ON STREETS--

A local resident had asked Councilmember Patterson if it would be okay to drive a "Gator" around town to run errands because of the price of gas at this time. Mayor Wiggins advised that the vehicle would need to have a license plate, seat belts, and turn signals to make it legal for travel along City streets.

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