

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

July 25, 2005

The Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, met in a special session, 7:00 p.m., July 25, 2005. Present were Mayor John Zumer, who chaired the meeting, City Attorney David Peebles, and Clerk-Treasurer Nellie Thompson. Also present were Council members Loran Rutledge, Steve Frees, Dennis Cook, Roger Rockenbaugh, Charles Fiedler, Charlie Coons and Les Hearson. Also in attendance was Fire Chief Todd Barton. The press was also present.

Chairman Zumer called the meeting to order; Councilman Rutledge led the pledge to the flag and Chairman Zumer offered the invocation.

Chairman Zumer asked Clerk-Treasurer Nellie Thompson to call the roll for purpose of attendance, a quorum was present.

A second roll was called for the purpose of any additions to the agenda. There were none.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Chairman Zumer turned the meeting over to Chairman Hearson. Chairman Hearson made the motion to adjourn as the Common Council, and reconvene as the Committee of the Whole, seconded by Councilman Frees. A voice vote indicated the Committee in favor of adjourning as the Common Council and reconvene as the Committee of the Whole.

FISCAL AFFAIRS

Chairman Zumer asked Chairman Hearson to present the business of the Fiscal Affairs Committee. Chairman Hearson read aloud a proposed ordinance establishing a Cumulative Fire Fund under Indiana Code 36-8-14. Chairman Hearson moved to pass the ordinance to Council with a favorable recommendation, seconded by Councilman Frees. Chairman Hearson asked for comments from the Council, offering comments were Councilman Coons, Fire Chief Barton, Attorney Peebles, Chairman Hearson, Mayor Zumer and Councilman Frees. Following the comments an amendment was made and accepted by consensus to section 2, paragraph 1. Hearing no further comments from the Council or from the public, the roll was called for a vote. The Ordinance passed with a unanimous vote.

Concluding the business of the Committee of the Whole, Chairman Hearson made a motion to adjourn as the Committee of the Whole, and reconvene as the Common Council, seconded by Councilman Rutledge. A voice vote indicated the Committee in favor of adjourning as the Committee of the Whole and to reconvene as the Common Council

FISCAL AFFAIRS

Chairman Zumer called on Councilman Les Hearson to present the business of the Fiscal Affairs Committee.

Chairman Hearson presented to the Council an ordinance establishing a Cumulative Fire Fund under I.C. 36-8-14. Chairman Hearson moved to approve the ordinance on first reading seconded by Councilman Cook. Hearing no comments from the Council or public, the roll was called for a vote. The Ordinance passed on first reading with unanimous vote.

For the purpose of a public hearing on the proposed ordinance Chairman Hearson turned the meeting over to Chairman Zumer.

PUBLIC HEARING

Chairman Zumer called a public meeting at 7:20 p.m., for the purpose of hearing comments regarding an ordinance establishing a Cumulative Fire Fund under I.C. 36-8-14. Hearing no comments Chairman Zumer closed the public meeting at 7:21 p.m.

FISCAL AFFAIRS

Chairman Zumer called upon Chairman Hearson to complete the business of the Fiscal Affairs Committee.

Chairman Hearson moved to suspend the rules, seconded by Councilman Rutledge. Hearing no objections from the Council, Chairman Hearson moved to place the ordinance on a second reading, seconded by Councilman Rutledge. Chairman Zumer called for comments from the Council and the public; hearing none the roll was called for a vote. The Ordinance passed on second reading with a unanimous vote

Chairman Hearson moved to place the ordinance on a third and final reading and so adopt, seconded by Councilman Fiedler. Hearing no comments from the Council or public the roll was called for a vote. The Ordinance passed on third and final reading with a unanimous vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-2005

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A CUMULATIVE FIRE FUND UNDER INDIANA CODE 36-8-14

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 36-8-14 allows a municipality such as the City of Crawfordsville to create a cumulative fire fund and sets forth the requirements of such a fund; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Common Council believe such a fund is needed to provide for the safety and welfare of the City of Crawfordsville and to ensure adequate emergency services and fire-fighting capability in the City.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CRAWFORDSVILLE, INDIANA, that

SECTION 1. There is hereby created the Cumulative Building or Remodeling, Firefighting, and Police Radio Equipment Fund (“the Fire Fund”) within the City of Crawfordsville.

SECTION 2. The purposes of the Fire Fund are for Fire Department uses set forth in Indiana Code 36-8-14, and the Common Council and City of Crawfordsville shall adhere to all the provisions of Indiana Code 36-8-14 in the funding and operation of the Fire Fund.

SECTION 3. The tax rate for the Fire Fund shall not exceed \$.0333 per \$100 of assessed valuation and shall be levied beginning with taxes due and payable in the year 2006, continuing until reduced or rescinded.

SECTION 4. Proofs of publication of the notice of the public hearing held on the 25th day of July, 2005, and a certified copy of this ordinance shall be submitted to the Department of Local Government Finance of the State of Indiana as provided by law.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall be effective upon passage, subject to approval by the Department of Local Government Finance and any other requirements of law.

Adopted and passed by the Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, this 25th day of July, 2005.

Signed///John P. Zumer
John P. Zumer, Mayor & Presiding Officer

PRESENTED TO ME BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CRAWFORDSVILLE,
INDIANA, THIS 25th DAY OF JULY, 2005.

Signed// Nellie Thompson
Nellie Thompson, Clerk Treasurer

THIS ORDINANCE APPROVED AND SIGNED BY ME, THIS 25th DAY OF
JULY, 2005.

Signed///John P. Zumer
John P. Zumer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Signed///Nellie Thompson
Nellie Thompson, Clerk Treasurer
City of Crawfordsville

Completing the business of the Fiscal Affairs Committee, Chairman Hearson turned the meeting over to Chairman Zumer.

MISCELLANEOUS

Chairman Zumer announced a budget hearing would be held August 22, 2005 at 7:00 p.m., in City Council Chambers.

Chairman Zumer also informed the Council, he and Tom Taylor an employee with the Street Department spent time removing excessive signage in the downtown area on Friday July 22nd.

There being no further business, Councilman Hearson moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Rutledge. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Signed by me this _____ day of _____, 2005.

John Zumer, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Nellie Thompson, Clerk/Treasurer