

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, December 8, 2008 at 7:00PM

The Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, met in regular session, 7:00 PM., December 8, 2008. Present were Mayor Charles Coons, who chaired the meeting. City Attorney David Peebles and Clerk-Treasurer Terri Gadd. Also present were Council members, Heather Perkins, Nellie Thompson, George Parker, Patrick Taylor, Roger Rockenbaugh, Dennis Cook and Ray Kirtley.

Other officials in attendance were Fire Chief Eric Small, Director of Planning & Community Development Brandy Allen, Wastewater Manager Tom Mitchell, Park and Recreation Director Roger Neal, Street and Sanitation Manager Rodney Jenkins and Police Chief Kurt Knecht.

The Press was also present.

Chairman Coons called the meeting to order. Councilwoman Perkins led the pledge to the flag.

Councilman Rockenbaugh said the prayer.

Chairman Coons asked Clerk-Treasurer Terri Gadd to call the roll for the purpose of attendance all were present.

Councilwoman Thompson moved to approve the minutes from November 10, 2008, City Council meeting. Seconded by Councilman Cook. The minutes were approved with spelling change noted by Councilwoman Perkins.

The roll was called for the purpose of any additions to the agenda. There were no additions to the agenda.

Chairman Coons turned the meeting over to Chairwoman Thompson of the Fiscal Affairs Committee to open the Public Meeting.

PUBLIC MEETING

Chairwoman Thompson called the Public hearing to order at 7:05 PM. Opening the discussion on an ordinance setting the salaries for elected officials. Chairwoman Thompson called for questions or concerns from the public, hearing none the Public hearing was closed at 7:07 PM.

FISCAL AFFAIRS

The first item presented was a second reading of an ordinance setting the salaries of elected officials.

Mayor	\$64,477.68
Clerk- Treasurer	\$51,662.00
Common Council	\$29,946.00 (\$4,278 each)

Chairwoman Thompson moved to place this ordinance on second reading. Seconded by Councilman Rockenbaugh. Chairman Coons called for comments from the Council and public. Hearing none Chairman Coons called for the vote. The ordinance passed on second reading with a unanimous vote.

Chairwoman Thompson moved to place this ordinance on third and final reading and so adopt. Seconded by Councilman Cook. Chairman Coons called for comments from the Council and public. Hearing none Chairman Coons called for the vote. The ordinance passed on third and final reading with a unanimous vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-2008

**AN ORDINANCE FIXING SALARIES FOR THE MAYOR,
CLERK-TREASURER AND COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF CRAWFORDSVILLE, INDIANA,
FOR THE YEAR 2009**

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana has previously budgeted the salaries of the elected officials of the City for the year 2009, and same should now be fixed by the Common Council by ordinance as required by law.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, that the salaries of the following elected officials of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, for the year 2009, payable from the general tax funds of the City, shall be and hereby are as follows:

Mayor	\$64,477.68
Clerk-Treasurer	\$51,663.00
Common Council	\$29,946.00 (\$4,278 each)

ADOPTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, on the 8th day of December, 2008.

Signed///Charles E. Coons
Charles E. Coons, Mayor & Presiding

Officer

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, on the 8th day of December, 2008.

Signed///Terri Gadd
Terri Gadd, Clerk-Treasurer

THIS ORDINANCE APPROVED AND SIGNED BY ME, THIS 8th DAY OF December, 2008.

Signed///Charles E. Coons
Charles E. Coons, Mayor

ATTEST:

Signed///Terri Gadd
Terri Gadd, Clerk Treasurer

The second item presented was a resolution to appeal for an increase to the maximum levy. Chairwoman Thompson moved to approve this resolution. Seconded by Councilman Taylor. Chairman Coons called for comments from the Council and public. After hearing comments by Councilman Taylor Chairman Coons called for the vote. The resolution was passed with a unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION 28-2008

PETITION TO APPEAL FOR AN INCREASE TO THE MAXIMUM LEVY

The Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Montgomery County, State of Indiana, has determined to file for an excess levy appeal.

(Please check the appropriate excess levy appeal(s) and provide the dollar amount(s) requested:

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|--------------------------|--|----------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Annexation (IC 6-1.1-18.5-13a(2)) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Operation of a New Court (IC 6-1.1-18.5-13a(3)) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Three Year Growth (IC 6-1.1-18.5-13a(4)) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Volunteer Fire Expenses (IC 6-1.1-18.5-13a(5)) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Fire Contract with a Municipality (IC 6-1.1-18.5-13a(11)) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Police Pension (IC 6-1.1-18.5-13a(6)) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Fire Pension (IC 6-1.1-18.5-13a(6)) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Poor Relief (IC 6-1.1-18.5-13a(7)) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Public Transportation (IC 6-1.1-18.5-13a(8)) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Hazardous Material Disposal (IC 6-1.1-18.5-13a(9)) | \$ _____ |
| X | Property Tax Shortfall (IC 6-1.1-18.5-16) | \$ <u>500,000.00</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Correction of Error (IC 6-1.1-18.5-14) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Firefighting Services (IC 6-1.1-18.5-13a(12)) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Voting System (IC 6-1.1-18.5-13.6) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Solid Waste (IC 13-21-3-15.5) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | New Jail/Juvenile Detention Facility (IC 6-1.1-18.5-13a(10)) | \$ _____ |

The undersigned fiscal body of the City of Crawfordsville, Montgomery County, Indiana, hereby resolves to proceed with a petition for an excess levy to the Department of Local Government Finance to increase the taxing unit's maximum levy.

Adopted this 8th day of December, 2008, by the Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, by the following vote:

FOR:

AGAINST:

Signed///Nellie Thompson _____

Signed///Heather Perkins _____

Signed///George Parker _____

Signed///Roger F Rockenbaugh _____

Signed///Patrick Taylor _____

Signed///Dennis Cook _____

Signed///Raymond M Kirtley _____

PRESENTED TO AND APPROVED BY ME THIS 8th DAY OF December, 2008.

Signed///Charles E Coons

Charles E. Coons, Mayor

ATTEST: Signed///Terri Gadd

Terri Gadd, Clerk Treasurer

The third item presented was a resolution acknowledging receipt of the CEL&P budget. Chairwoman Thompson moved to approve this resolution. Seconded by Councilman Parker. Chairman Coons called for comments from the Council and public. Hearing none

Chairman Coons called for the vote. The resolution was approved with a six to one vote with Councilman Taylor the nay vote.

RESOLUTION 29-2008

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGING
RECEIPT OF THE PROPOSED 2009 BUDGET FOR THE
CRAWFORDSVILLE ELECTRIC LIGHT & POWER COMPANY**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND ACKNOWLEDGED by the Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, that the Crawfordsville Electric Light & Power Company has timely filed its proposed budget for the year 2009 with the Common Council, all as provided by law.

Adopted by the Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, this 8th day of December, 2008

Signed///Charles E. Coons
Charles E. Coons, Mayor & Presiding Officer

Attest:

Signed///Terri Gadd
Terri Gadd, Clerk-Treasurer

The forth item presented was a resolution acknowledging receipt of the Wastewater budget. Chairwoman Thompson moved to approve this resolution. Seconded by Councilman Cook. Chairman Coons called for comments from the Council and public. After hearing comments from Councilwoman Perkins, Chairman Coons called for the vote. The resolution was approved with a unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION 30-2008

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGING
RECEIPT OF THE PROPOSED 2009 BUDGET FOR THE
CRAWFORDSVILLE WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND ACKNOWLEDGED by the Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, that the Crawfordsville Wastewater Department has timely filed its proposed budget for the year 2009 with the Common Council, all as provided by law.

Adopted by the Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, this 8th day of December, 2008

Signed///Charles E. Coons
Charles E. Coons, Mayor & Presiding Officer

Attest:

Signed///Terri Gadd
Terri Gadd, Clerk-Treasurer

The fifth item presented was a resolution acknowledging receipt of the Golf Course budget. Chairwoman Thompson moved to approve this resolution. Seconded by Councilwoman Perkins. Chairman Coons called for comments from the Council and public. Hearing none, Chairman Coons called for the vote. The resolution was approved with a unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION 31-2008

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF THE PROPOSED 2009 BUDGET FOR THE CRAWFORDSVILLE GOLF COURSE AUTHORITY

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND ACKNOWLEDGED by the Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, that the Crawfordsville Golf Course Authority has timely filed its proposed budget for the year 2009 with the Common Council, all as provided by law.

Adopted by the Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, this 8th day of December, 2008

Signed///Charles E. Coons
Charles E. Coons, Mayor & Presiding Officer

Attest:

Signed///Terri Gadd
Terri Gadd, Clerk-Treasurer

Completing the business of the Fiscal Affairs committee Chairwoman Thompson turned the meeting over to Chairman Coons.

ORDINANCE AND PETITIONS

Chairman Coons called on Councilman Kirtley to present the business of the Ordinance and Petitions committee.

The first item presented was an ordinance amending Title VII, Chapter 73 of the city code of Crawfordsville Indiana concerning licensing mopeds and scooters. Chairman Kirtley moved to approve this resolution. Seconded by Councilman Cook. Chairman Coons called for comments from the Council and public. After hearing comments from Council members Parker, Perkins, Kirtley, Taylor and Thompson and comments from Police Chief Knecht and Counsel Peebles, Chairman Coons called for the vote. The ordinance was placed on First Reading with a unanimous vote.

FIRST READING

Completing the business of the Ordinance and Petitions committee Chairman Kirtley turned the meeting over to Chairman Coons.

TRAFFIC, PARKING & SAFETY

Chairman Coons called on Councilman Cook to present the business of the Traffic, Parking and Safety committee.

The first item presented was a joint resolution of the Common Council and the Board of Public Works & Safety of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana approving protocol for public request regarding traffic, parking and public safety matters. Chairman Cook moved to approve this resolution. Seconded by Councilman Taylor. Chairman Coons called for comments from the Council and public. Hearing none, Chairman Coons called for the vote. The resolution was approved with a unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 32 -2008

**A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL AND
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY OF THE
CITY OF CRAWFORDSVILLE, INDIANA
APPROVING A PROTOCOL FOR PUBLIC REQUESTS
RE TRAFFIC, PARKING & PUBLIC SAFETY MATTERS**

WHEREAS, from time to time interested persons wish to request changes or additions to the traffic, parking and public safety ordinances, signage, lighting, and other such regulatory mechanisms of the City of Crawfordsville;

WHEREAS, to minimize confusion to the public over how and where to initiate such requests, and to allow for due consideration of such requests by City officials, the Mayor, Board of Public Works & Safety, and Common Council of the City wish to adopt a written protocol for such requests;

WHEREAS, a proposed protocol is attached to this Joint Resolution, marked as Exhibit 1 and is hereby incorporated into this Resolution;

WHEREAS, while this protocol is not intended to resolve all possible public requests of these bodies, nor does it provide for all contingencies involved in such requests, it offers both the public and City officials clearer guidance for how to proceed than previously existed; and

WHEREAS, the proposed protocol does not have the force of law and is intended to be only a procedural guide for the public and City officials.

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

1. The attached protocol is hereby adopted by the Common Council.
2. This resolution is effective upon passage.

SO RESOLVED this 8th day of December, 2008.

Signed///Charles E. Coons
Charles E. Coons, Mayor & Presiding
Officer

ATTEST:

Signed///Terri Gadd
Terri Gadd, Clerk-Treasurer

NOW BE IT ALSO RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY OF THE CITY OF CRAWFORDSVILLE, INDIANA, that:

1. The attached protocol is hereby adopted by the Board of Public Works & Safety and should be distributed to all interested City personnel and any member of the public who requests it, and City staff are instructed to prepare any supplemental forms or procedures to implement same.

2. This resolution is effective upon passage.

SO RESOLVED this 8th day of December, 2008.

ADOPTED AND PASSED BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY OF THE CITY OF CRAWFORDSVILLE, THIS 8th DAY OF December, 2008.

Signed///Charlie E. Coons
Charles E. Coons, Mayor & Member

Signed//Dennis Weir
Dennis Weir, Member

Attest:
Signed/// Terri Gadd
Clerk-Treasurer

ANNEXATION

MISCELLANEOUS

COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

The first item presented was the annual appointment to the Utilities Service Board. Chairman Coons called for nominations. Councilwoman Perkins nominated Michael Zurawski. Councilman Cook nominated Roger Tarter. Chairman Coons asked for other nominations from the Council hearing no other nominations Councilwoman Thompson moved to close the nominations. Seconded by Councilman Taylor. After hearing comments from Council members Taylor and Cook Chairman Coons called for a voice vote. On the vote for Michael Zurawski the vote was 2 yes and 5 no. The vote for Roger Tarter was unanimous for appointment to the four- year term. The term begins January 1, 2009 and ends December 31, 2012.

The second item presented was the annual appointment to the Crawfordsville Municipal Golf Course. Chairman Coons called for nominations. Councilwoman Thompson nominated Tom Mitchell. Councilman Parker nominated Mike Tucker. Chairman Coons asked for other nominations from the Council hearing no other nominations, Councilwoman Perkins moved to close the nominations. Hearing no comments a voice vote was called. On the vote for Tom Mitchell the vote was 6 yes and 1 no. The vote for Mike Tucker was 5 yes and 2 no. Tom Mitchell will begin the term January 1, 2009 and end December 31, 2012.

The third item presented was the annual appointment to the Redevelopment Commission. Chairman Coons called for nominations. Councilwoman Perkins nominated Mike Swift. Councilman Cook nominated Robin Pebworth. Chairwoman Thompson moved to close the nominations. Seconded by Chairman Cook. Hearing no comments a voice vote was called. Mike Swift and Robin Pebworth were unanimously appointed to the term beginning January 1, 2009 and ending December 31, 2009.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Coons moved to adjourn seconded by Councilwoman Perkins the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Signed by me this 13th day of January, 2008.

Signed///Charles E. Coons
Charles E. Coons, Mayor

ATTEST:

Signed//Terri Gadd
Terri Gadd
Clerk Treasurer
City of Crawfordsville