

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday January 11, 2010 at 7:00P.M.

The Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, met in regular session, 7:00 PM., January 11, 2010. Present were Mayor Charles Coons, who chaired the meeting. City Attorney David Peebles and Clerk-Treasurer Terri Gadd. Also present were Council members, Nellie Thompson, Ray Kirtley, Roger Rockenbaugh, Patrick Taylor, George Parker and Denny Cook. Councilwoman Heather Perkins was not in attendance

Other officials in attendance were Fire Chief Eric Small, Plan Director Brandy Allen, Street Department Representative Mark Cox, Wastewater Director Tom Mitchell, Storm Water Director Gary Weliver, Park and Recreation Director Roger Neal and Police Chief Kurt Knecht.

The Press was also present.

Chairman Coons called the meeting to order. Councilman Kirtley 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 with the exception of Councilwoman Heather Perkins who was absent.

Councilman Parker moved to approve the minutes from the December 14, 2009 City Council meeting. Seconded by Councilman Taylor. The minutes were approved with a unanimous vote.

The roll was called for the purpose of any additions to the agenda. Councilwoman Thompson had one addition as to the order of the Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Councilwoman Thompson moved to adjourn as the Common Council and reconvene as Committee of the Whole. Seconded by Councilman Parker. The motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

The first item discussed was a resolution establishing a new "cash drawer fund" for the Storm Water Department. Councilwoman Thompson moved to send the resolution to the full Council with a favorable recommendation. Seconded by Councilman Rockenbaugh. The motion moved forward with a unanimous vote.

The second item discussed was a resolution establishing a new "cash drawer fund" for the Waste Water Department. Councilwoman Thompson moved to send the resolution to the full Council with a favorable recommendation. Seconded by Councilman Rockenbaugh. The motion moved forward with a unanimous vote.

The third item discussed was approval for an application for a Fire Department EMS grant application. Councilwoman Thompson moved to send the application to the full Council with a favorable recommendation. Seconded by Councilman Parker. The motion moved forward with a unanimous vote.

Chairwoman Thompson turned discussion over to Councilman Cook.

The fourth item discussed was an ordinance making amendments to the Storm Water Control Ordinance. Councilman Cook moved to send the ordinance to the full Council. Seconded by Councilman Taylor. The vote was five to one in favor of sending the ordinance to the full Council.

Councilwoman Thompson moved to adjourn the Committee of the Whole and reconvene as the Common Council. Seconded by Councilman Cook. The motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

Chairman Coons called on Councilwoman Thompson to present the business of the Fiscal Affairs committee.

FISCAL AFFAIRS

The first item presented was the second reading of an ordinance adopting a new schedule of rates and charges for services rendered by Crawfordsville Electric Light & Power. Chairwoman Thompson moved to table the ordinance on second reading. Seconded by Councilman Rockenbaugh. Chairman Coons called for comments from the Council and public. Hearing no comments Chairman Coons called for the vote. The ordinance was tabled on second reading with a five to one vote. Councilman Taylor voting not to table

TABLED

The second item presented was a resolution authorizing the Park & Recreation Department to pursue a grant for the Sunshine Van Program. Chairwoman Thompson moved to approve this resolution. Seconded by Councilman Rockenbaugh. Chairman Coons called for comments from the Council and public. Hearing no comments Chairman Coons called for the vote. The resolution passed with a unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2010

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CRAWFORDSVILLE, INDIANA AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PURCHASE WHEELCHAIR-ACCESSIBLE VEHICLES

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, support and recommend approval of an application to the Indiana Department of Transportation for assistance in purchasing equipment to provide transportation services to elderly persons and persons with disabilities in the City of Crawfordsville,

WHEREAS, the City of Crawfordsville is submitting an application to the Indiana Department of Transportation for assistance in purchasing one such vehicle with a wheelchair accessibility package, and

WHEREAS, the contract for financial assistance requires the City of Crawfordsville to obligate local funding equal to twenty percent (20%) of the total project cost, being Eight

Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00) of the total cost of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00), to the Indiana Department of Transportation upon execution of the funding contract, with such local funding available in the Park & Recreation Department's non-reverting budget.

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

The Mayor of the City of Crawfordsville is authorized to commit organization resources to execute and file an application for and to contract on behalf of the City of Crawfordsville with the Indiana Department of Transportation to aid in the abovementioned financing of the foregoing capital equipment.

ADOPTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CRAWFORDSVILLE THIS 11th DAY OF January, 2010.

PRESENTED AND APPROVED BY ME THIS 11th DAY OF January, 2010.

Signed/// Charles E. Coons

Charles Coons, Mayor and Presiding Officer of Common Council

ATTEST: Signed///Terri Gadd

Terri Gadd, Clerk-Treasurer

The third item presented was a resolution creating a new "change drawer fund" for the Storm Water Department. Chairwoman Thompson moved to approve the resolution. Seconded by Councilman Taylor. Chairman Coons called for comments from the Council and public. Hearing no comments Chairman Coons called for the vote. The resolution passed with a unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2-2010

A RESOLUTION OF THE CRAWFORDSVILLE COMMON COUNCIL
ESTABLISHING A
"STORM WATER DEPARTMENT CASH DRAWER FUND"

WHEREAS, the Storm Water Utility of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, will soon be accepting cash payments of storm water fees; and

WHEREAS, to allow billing clerks to make change for customers who appear in person and pay their bills in cash, it is necessary to have a stocked cash drawer; and

WHEREAS, to provide for money with which to stock a cash drawer, and to account for cash on hand and receipts, it is necessary to create a cash drawer fund for said utility,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CRAWFORDSVILLE COMMON COUNCIL, that

SECTION 1. There is hereby created a Storm Water Cash Drawer Fund, a nonreverting fund within the Storm Water Utility of the City of Crawfordsville which shall consist of the sum of \$250 in cash, to be used for the sole purpose of making change for cash-paying customers.

SECTION 2. The Storm Water Superintendent shall be the custodian of record of such fund, and the Storm Water Utility Board of Directors, as the body that

oversees said Utility, shall be the body which supervises this Fund, together with the Clerk-Treasurer of the City.

SECTION 3. This resolution shall be effective upon passage.

Adopted and passed by the Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, this 11th day of January, 2010, and approved by me, the Mayor of the City of Crawfordsville, this same date.

Signed///Charles E. Coons

Charles E. Coons, Mayor & Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Signed///Terri Gadd

Terri Gadd, Clerk Treasurer

City of Crawfordsville

The fourth item presented was a resolution creating a new “change drawer fund” for the Waste Water Department. Chairwoman Thompson moved to approve the resolution. Seconded by Councilman Rockenbaugh. Chairman Coons called for comments from the Council and public. Hearing no comments Chairman Coons called for the vote. The resolution passed with a unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 3-2010

A RESOLUTION OF THE CRAWFORDSVILLE COMMON COUNCIL ESTABLISHING A “WASTE WATER DEPARTMENT CASH DRAWER FUND”

WHEREAS, the Waste Water Utility of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, will soon be accepting cash payments of sewer bills; and

WHEREAS, to allow billing clerks to make change for customers who appear in person and pay their bills in cash, it is necessary to have a stocked cash drawer; and

WHEREAS, to provide for money with which to stock a cash drawer, and to account for cash on hand and receipts, it is necessary to create a cash drawer fund for said utility,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CRAWFORDSVILLE COMMON COUNCIL, that

SECTION 1. There is hereby created a Waste Water Cash Drawer Fund, a nonreverting fund within the Waste Water Utility of the City of Crawfordsville which shall consist of the sum of \$250 in cash, to be used for the sole purpose of making change for cash-paying customers.

SECTION 2. The Waste Water Superintendent shall be the custodian of record of such fund, and the Board of Public Works and Safety, as the body that oversees said Utility, shall be the body which supervises this Fund, together with the Clerk-Treasurer of the City.

SECTION 3. This resolution shall be effective upon passage.

Adopted and passed by the Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, this 11th day of January, 2010, and approved by me, the Mayor of the City of Crawfordsville, this same date.

Signed///Charles E. Coons

Charles E. Coons, Mayor & Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Signed///Terri Gadd

Terri Gadd, Clerk Treasurer

City of Crawfordsville

The fifth item presented was an approval of a Fire Department/EMS grant application. Chairwoman Thompson moved to approve the resolution. Seconded by Councilman Taylor. Offering comments from the City were Fire Chief Eric Small and Police Chief Kurt Knecht. Offering comments from the public were Russell Keller representative of FOP, Eddie Ward and Hal Utterback. Hearing no further comments Chairman Coons called for the vote. The resolution passed with a unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 4 -2010

A RESOLUTION OF THE CRAWFORDSVILLE COMMON COUNCIL APPROVING A "SAFER" FIREFIGHTER GRANT APPLICATION BY THE CITY OF CRAWFORDSVILLE, INDIANA

WHEREAS, the Federal government is accepting applications for Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response ("SAFER") grants to fund certain firefighting personnel on the terms and conditions set forth in the SAFER grant program of the Department of Homeland Security;

WHEREAS, Federal Fiscal Year 2009 grant applications are now due January 15, 2010;

WHEREAS, the Crawfordsville Fire Chief believes that fire and emergency medical response would be improved in the City of Crawfordsville if the Crawfordsville Fire Department were able to hire up to eight (8) additional firefighters;

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief would like to apply for a SAFER grant for that number of firefighters, all pursuant to the terms and conditions of the SAFER grant program;

WHEREAS, the mere application for a SAFER grant does not obligate the City to hire up to eight (8) firefighters, and any such commitment is not final until and unless a SAFER grant is awarded to and accepted by the City; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, is the legislative and fiscal body of the City, and it desires that the City, through its Mayor and Fire Chief, apply for said SAFER grant and would like to adopt a resolution to that effect,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CRAWFORDSVILLE
COMMON COUNCIL, that:**

SECTION 1. The Common Council hereby approves and supports an application by the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, for a FY 2009 SAFER grant for the hiring of up to eight (8) firefighters and hereby authorizes the Mayor and/or Fire Chief of the City to so apply.

SECTION 2. This resolution shall be effective upon passage.

Adopted and passed by the Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, this 11th day of January, 2010, and approved by me, the Mayor of the City of Crawfordsville, this same date.

Signed///Charles E. Coons

Charles E. Coons, Mayor & Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Signed///Terri Gadd

Terri Gadd, Clerk Treasurer

City of Crawfordsville

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

Chairman Coons called on Councilman Cook to present the business of the Ordinances and Petitions committee.

ORDINANCES AND PETITIONS

The first item presented was the second reading of an ordinance rezoning 106 East Chestnut and 710, 712, and 716 South Washington Street from R-2 to B-1. Chairman Cook moved to place the ordinance on second reading. Seconded by Councilwoman Thompson. Chairman Coons called for comments from the Council and the public. Hearing no comments Chairman Coons called for the vote. The ordinance was passed on second reading with a unanimous vote.

SECOND READING

Chairman Cook moved to place to place the ordinance on third and final reading and so adopt. Seconded by Councilman Rockenbaugh. Chairman Coons called for comments from the Council and the public. Offering comments from the Council were Council members Taylor and Cook. Hearing no further comments Chairman Coons called for the vote. The ordinance was passed on third and final reading with a unanimous vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 1- 2010

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 153, ZONING, OF
THE CRAWFORDSVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE OF
THE CITY OF CRAWFORDSVILLE, INDIANA
(Rezoning 106 East Chestnut Street and
710, 712, and 716 South Washington Street from R-2 to B-1)

BE IT HEREBY ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, that the Crawfordsville Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1. (a) Chapter 153, Section 153.20 of the Municipal Code of the City of Crawfordsville, Indiana, is hereby amended to change the zoning map of the City for the property commonly known as 106 East Chestnut Street and 710, 712, and 716 South Washington Street, with legal descriptions attached hereto for recording if necessary.

(b) The zoning map showing the above property which is in an R-2 zoning district shall hereby be amended to show the property in an B-1 zoning district.

Section 2. (a) All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

(b) This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage.

ADOPTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CRAWFORDSVILLE, INDIANA, THIS 11th DAY OF January, 2010.

Signed///Charles E. Coons

Charles E Coons, Mayor

PRESENTED TO ME BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CRAWFORDSVILLE, INDIANA, THIS 11th DAY OF January, 2010.

Signed///Terri Gadd

Terri Gadd, Clerk Treasurer

THIS ORDINANCE APPROVED AND SIGNED BY ME, THIS 11th DAY OF January, 2010.

Signed///Charles E. Coons

Charles E Coons, Mayor

ATTEST:

Signed///Terri Gadd

Terri Gadd, Clerk Treasurer

City of Crawfordsville

I affirm under the penalties for perjury that I have taken reasonable care to redact each social security number in this document, unless required by law.

Signed///Terri Gadd

Terri Gadd, Clerk Treasurer

City of Crawfordsville

The second item presented was an ordinance making amendments to the Storm Water Control Ordinance. Chairman Cook moved to place the ordinance on first reading. Seconded by Councilman Taylor. Chairman Coons called for comments from the Council and the public. Hearing no comments Chairman Coons called for the vote. The ordinance was passed on first reading with a unanimous vote.

FIRST READING

Completing the business of the ordinances and Petitions committee Chairman Cook turned the meeting over to Chairman Coons.

TRAFFIC, PARKING & SAFETY

ANNEXATION

MISCELLANEOUS

The first item under miscellaneous was the Council 2010 appointment to the Stormwater Board. This is a one-year appointment. Councilwoman Thompson nominated Jim Swift to the Storm Water Board. Councilman Parker nominated Roger Hamilton. Councilwoman Thompson moved to close nominations. Seconded by Councilman Rockenbaugh. Council members Thompson, Rockenbaugh, Taylor and Kirtley voted for Jim Swift. Council members Parker and Cook voted for Roger Hamilton. With a four to two vote Jim Swift was appointed to the Storm Water Board.

The second item under miscellaneous was the Council 2010 appointment to the City Plan Commission. This is a one-year appointment. Councilwoman Thompson nominated Councilman Kirtley to the Plan Commission. Seconded by Councilman Taylor. With a unanimous voice vote Councilman Kirtley was appointed to the Plan Commission.

The third item under miscellaneous was the Council 2010 appointment to the Montgomery County Economic Development Board. This is a one-year appointment. Councilwoman Thompson nominated Councilwoman Perkins to the MCED board. Seconded by Councilman Cook. With a unanimous voice vote Councilwoman Perkins was appointed to the MCED board.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Coons moved to adjourn seconded by Councilwoman Perkins the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Signed by me this 12th day of February, 2010

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

ATTEST:

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