

CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE
COMMON COUNCIL
PRE-COUNCIL MINUTES
JANUARY 2, 2020

The Common Council of the City of West Lafayette, Indiana, met in the Council Chambers at the Temporary City Hall – Former Happy Hollow Elementary School on January 2, 2020, at the hour of 4:30 p.m.

President Bunder called the meeting to order and presided.

Present: James Blanco, Peter Bunder, Nick DeBoer, Shannon Kang, Kathy Parker, and Gerald Thomas.

Absent: Larry Leverenz, David Sanders, Norris Wang.

Also present: Mayor John Dennis, Corporation Counsel Eric Burns, Clerk Sana Booker, Street Commissioner Ben Anderson, Facilities Director Tim Clark, Human Resources Director Diane Foster, City Engineer Ed Garrison, Police Chief Troy Harris, Fire Chief Tim Heath, Parks Superintendent Kathy Lozano, Deputy Fire Chief Jeff Need, and IT Interim Director Tracey Stanifer-Dewey.

PRE-COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS

OATHS OF OFFICE:

Mayor John Dennis

Judge Lori Stein Sabol administered the Oath of Office to Mayor John Dennis.

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Council Members

Mayor Dennis administered the Oath of Office to all of the Council members who were in attendance. Due to Larry Leverenz being schedule to attend the Area Plan Commission (APC) Executive Committee meeting, his Oath was administered by Mayor Dennis earlier today.

ELECTIONS:

Council President – Peter Bunder

Councilor DeBoer motioned to elect Peter Bunder as Council President. Councilor Thomas seconded the motion, and the motion passed by voice vote.

Council Vice-President – Gerald Thomas

Councilor DeBoer motioned to elect Gerald Thomas as Council Vice-President. President Bunder seconded the motion, and the motion passed by voice vote.

REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE

President Bunder stated that the change of the Council means that we have a variety of new names next to the departmental committees on the agenda. He suggested that a work session be schedule to discuss the structure of these committees, along with the usefulness and timing

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of the Pre-Council meetings which sometimes lack a quorum. He noted that these committees have not done anything for the last four years.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

Ordinance No. 33-19 An Ordinance Providing For Temporary Loans (2020) (Sponsored by City Controller) [No. of Readings 2 of 2]

There was no discussion.

Ordinance No. 34-19 An Ordinance To Approve Blanket Bond Coverage For 2020 (Prepared by Clerk Sana Booker) [No. of Readings 2 of 2]

There was no discussion.

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at this time, Councilor Thomas moved for adjournment. President Bunder adjourned the meeting, the time being 4:50 p.m.