

CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE
COMMON COUNCIL
PRE-COUNCIL MINUTES
February 28, 2019

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 February 28, 2019, at the hour of 4:30 p.m.

President Bunder called the meeting to order and presided.

Present: Peter Bunder, Nick DeBoer (4:31 p.m.), Steve Dietrich, David Sanders (4:35 p.m.), Gerald Thomas, and Norris Wang.

Absent: Jonathan Jones, Gerry Keen, and Larry Leverenz.

Also present: Mayor John Dennis, Corporation Counsel Eric Burns, Clerk Sana Booker, Director of Development Erik Carlson, Facilities Director Tim Clark, Human Resources Director Diane Foster, City Engineer Ed Garrison, City Controller Peter Gray, Fire Chief Tim Heath, WWTU Director David Henderson, Parks Superintendent Kathy Lozano, Building Commissioner Chad Spitznagle, and Deputy Police Chief David VanVactor.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Ordinance No. 01-19 (Amended) An Ordinance Regulating Personal Electric Or Motor Powered Vehicles And Other Non-Motorized Transportation Devices (Sponsored by Mayor John R. Dennis)

President Bunder read Ordinance No. 01-19 by title only.

Corporation Counsel Burns stated that there is a proposed second amended version of this ordinance, which is attached to the agenda along with the previously approved amended version for comparison. He noted that he is in agreeance to the common sense changes that the staff has made within the language.

Councilor DeBoer stated that he read an article today about the first data dump from Indianapolis about scooters. The article not only included the number of trips and types of scooters, but it also stated that the average revenue before a scooter breaks is \$251.00. The cost to manufacture a scooter is \$511.00, and they have an approximate life span of 28 days. As the scooter companies begin to approach us, the City may want to ask further questions about this data. As an example, Councilor DeBoer stated that we may want to ask questions, such as how much they pay or is it sustainable. He informed his fellow Councilors that he would forward the news article to them.

There was no further discussion.

Ordinance No. 03-19 An Ordinance Recodifying, Adopting And Enacting A New Code For The City Of West Lafayette (Sponsored by Mayor John R. Dennis)

President Bunder read Ordinance No. 03-19 by title only.

Corporation Counsel Burns suggested that the Council review the information carefully. He instructed them to notify him if they find anything that appears to be substantive, or if there are

any scrivener's errors discovered. He stated that his process of thinking is to get approval for the code to be recodified. Unless there is a serious defect we should recodify the code. Any small changes can be made at a later date.

There was no further discussion.

Ordinance No. 04-19 An Ordinance To Establish The Cumulative Capital Development Fund And Readopt West Lafayette City Code Provisions Concerning The Fund (Submitted by City Controller)

President Bunder read Ordinance No. 04-19 by title only.

Controller Gray stated that there will be a public hearing at the Council meeting for this item.

There was no further discussion.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance No. 05-19 Before The Common Council Of The City Of West Lafayette An Ordinance Vacating An Alley Located On The Morton Center Property (Sponsored by Mayor John R. Dennis)

President Bunder read Ordinance No. 05-19 by title only.

Corporation Counsel stated that this is part of the replatting of all of the many little lots that make-up Morton. At one time, Area Plan Commission (APC) did not care about getting everything cleaned up when different things occurred. This is a big thing that will change that lot for a long time. However, their policy is to get it cleaned up now. Part of it is a technical matter, which is to take the "alley" that runs through the middle of Morton and decide that it is no longer going to be a place where you can drive your cars. There will be a public hearing in April.

There was no further discussion

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at this time, Councilor DeBoer moved for adjournment. President Bunder adjourned the meeting, the time being 4:38 p.m.