

CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE  
COMMON COUNCIL  
PRE-COUNCIL MINUTES  
November 30, 2017

The Common Council of the City of West Lafayette, Indiana, met in the Multi-Purpose Room at the Morton Community Center on November 30, 2017, at the hour of 4:30 p.m.

President Bunder called the meeting to order and presided.

Present: Peter Bunder, Nick DeBoer, Steve Dietrich, Jonathan Jones [arrived at 4:33 p.m.], Gerry Keen, Larry Leverenz, David Sanders, and Norris Wang.

Absent: Gerald Thomas

Also present: Corporation Counsel Eric Burns, Clerk Sana Booker, IT Director Brad Alexander, Street Commissioner Ben Anderson, Director of Development Erik Carlson, Facilities Director Tim Clark, Parks Superintendent Janet Fawley, Human Resources Director Diane Foster, City Engineer Ed Garrison, City Controller Peter Gray, Deputy Police Chief Troy Harris, Fire Chief Tim Heath, WWTU Director David Henderson, and Building Commissioner Chad Spitznagle.

REPORT OF APC REPRESENTATIVES

Councilor Leverenz noted that the Sagamore Commons project is back on the December 20, 2017, APC agenda.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

President Bunder requested the Council's consent to add an appointment to the West Lafayette Library Board of Directors to the agenda. He stated that Felicia Fosmire of 705 Avondale Street has been put forward for the position. There was no discussion or objection.

Council Elections

President Bunder stated that he is running for re-election.

Corporation Counsel Burns noted that Councilor Jones had arrived [4:33 p.m.].

SPECIAL REPORTS:

Redevelopment Commission Spending Plan

President Bunder noted that the Council does not vote on this report. Director of Development Carlson noted that Larry Oates, President of the RDC, will be here to give the requisite informational session of the spending plan that has been approved by the RDC.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Ordinance No. 30-17 An Ordinance Expanding The City Of West Lafayette's Garbage And Recycling Collection To Specific Neighborhoods Within The Unit (Sponsored by Mayor Dennis) [Continued from the November 6, 2017, meeting.]

President Bunder read Ordinance No. 30-17 by title only. He asked if he is correct that this is the same document as last month. Director Carlson stated that this is the ordinance as proposed last month, and we are planning to discuss it in depth on Monday.

Councilor Dietrich stated that he spoke with Counsel Burns, and there is a Plan B drafted for this ordinance. He still has some questions that he would like to address on Monday before he would begin to consider proposing an amendment to this. He has spoken with residents from the neighborhood homeowner's associations (HOAs), and he has spoken with the Mayor.

Councilor Sanders asked if we are potentially tabling it again. Councilor Dietrich stated that it will probably be an either-or proposition at this point. They have drawn up what it would look like to exclude the one neighborhood, which has two HOAs. His guess is that we will come to a decision one way or another from that, with no reason to table it.

There was no further discussion.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Ordinance No. 31-17** An Ordinance Providing For Temporary Loans (2017 Additional) (Presented by the Controller)

President Bunder read Ordinance No. 31-17 by title only.

Controller Gray stated that as we come to the end of the year, depending on the timing of when we get our levy, we could be short in the General Fund. This will give authorization for a temporary loan from the WWTU Improvement Fund until we get the money from the levy. We may not need it, but he would like the possibility. He noted that a scrivener's error stating 2016 instead of 2017 will be corrected. He confirmed for Councilor Dietrich that it will be paid by the end of this year; it is only until we get the levy.

There was no further discussion.

**Ordinance No. 32-17** An Ordinance To Approve Blanket Bond Coverage For 2018 (Prepared by Clerk Booker)

President Bunder read Ordinance No. 32-17 by title only.

Controller Gray stated that this is the bond coverage for employees. A blanket bond is done rather than bonding each position. The amount is up to \$750,000, which is what we have done the last few years.

There was no further discussion.

**Ordinance No. 33-17** An Ordinance Providing For Temporary Loans (2018) (Presented by the Controller)

President Bunder read Ordinance No. 33-17 by title only.

Controller Gray stated that this is temporary loans for 2018, for all of the different funds that could potentially need it to cover the cash difference before the levy in June and December of 2018.

There was no further discussion.

**Resolution No. 23-17** A Resolution Requesting The Transfer Of Funds (EDIT) (Prepared by City Controller)

President Bunder read Resolution No. 23-17 by title only.

Controller Gray stated that this is a transfer of funds within EDIT to replace equipment in the parking garage. RDC is paying for most of it, while the EDIT Fund will pay for just under \$20,000.

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 4:40 p.m.