

FEBRUARY 1, 2010

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Angola, Indiana was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, 210 North Public Square, with Mayor Richard M. Hickman presiding. Councilmembers Gary L. Crum, David A. Olson, David B. Martin, and Kathleen G. Armstrong answered roll call. Councilmember Edward J. Nagle was absent. Clerk-Treasurer Debra A. Twitchell recorded the minutes.

Present were Economic Development and Planning Director Julie Cole, City Attorney Kim Shoup, Chief of Police Stu Hamblen, City Engineer Bill Boyer, Human Resource Administrator Sue Essman, Deputy Clerk Tammy Onofrietti, Wastewater Superintendent Craig Williams, Wastewater Operator Scott Stevens, and Executive Secretary Suzy Adams.

In addition, present were Jim Shilander of *The Herald Republican*, Jim Measel of WLKI, Megan Rowe, Issa Salsa, Frank Rydquist, Eric Everett, Brett Becker, Justin J. Kurtz, Brad Laucher, Rich Starkey, Michael Bock, and Jack Bercaw.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Councilmember Olson moved to approve the Common Council minutes of January 19, 2010. Councilmember Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 1340-2009, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING BY REPEAL THE CITY OF ANGOLA, INDIANA PERSONNEL POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL SECTION V EMPLOYEE BENEFITS, 5.14 CITY DAY, was read by title and presented to Council for third and final reading. Councilmember Armstrong moved to approve. Councilmember Martin seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Ordinance No. 1341-2010, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF ANGOLA, INDIANA CODE OF ORDINANCES BY PROHIBITING PARKING ON CERTAIN STREETS, was read by title and presented to Council for second reading. Councilmember Martin moved to approve. Councilmember Crum seconded the motion. Said motion carried 4-0. (West Gilmore Street)

Council considered final action on the 2010 budget based on the Department of Local Government Finance 1782 Notice. Clerk-Treasurer Twitchell explained the annexation levy increase. Councilmember Martin moved to approve the 2010 tax rate of \$0.9258. Councilmember Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 1342-2010, AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANGOLA, INDIANA, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF ITS "EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2010 (TRINE UNIVERSITY, INC. PROJECT)" IN ONE OR MORE SERIES AND APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS IN RESPECT THERETO, was read by title and presented to Council for first reading. Richard Starkey of Barnes and Thornburg, bond counsel for Trine University, Inc., addressed Council and explained that the City acts as the conduit for tax exempt bonds. There is no liability to the City. Discussion followed. Councilmember Martin moved to approve. Councilmember Crum seconded the motion. Said motion carried 4-0.

Councilmember Olson moved to approve proceeding with the additional appropriations for the Steuben County Economic Development Corporation countywide economic development study for \$11,500 and the Police Department requests of \$5,000 for the K9 program and \$28,000 for the Safes Routes to Schools grant speed radar trailers and education. Councilmember Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Upon motion by Councilmember Crum, seconded by Councilmember Martin, and carried 4-0 the January 2010 Utility Collection List for \$1,379.73 was approved.

CLERK-TREASURER DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Wastewater Superintendent Williams reported the wastewater collection system improvements construction by Insituform on US Highway 20 (Maumee Street) should be substantially complete by the end of February.

Economic Development and Planning Director Cole reported expecting approval from the State Historical Preservation Office on the US 20 Transportation Enhancement Median Project (Maumee Streetscape) by the end of February or beginning of March. Cole stated after executing an additional memorandum for the adverse effects of installing the median, the environmental review will be complete which is a monumental task that has taken many months to get through. In addition, the project can move forward when funding is available. Final tracings will be submitted to INDOT March 15 therefore the bidding process should proceed in April with construction to begin a couple of months later. Cole reported attending a meeting with INDOT on the pending "Jobs Bill" which could present additional funding for the Wohlert Street Extension Project and the Maumee Streetscape. City Engineer Boyer submitted the additional funding conversion notice to INDOT. Cole then stated the CDBG OCRA funds should be available at the end of February for the Public Square Revitalization Project at which time the downtown sidewalk demolition will start. In conclusion, Cole announced the 2nd Annual Women's Business Forum sponsored by the City of Angola would be held at Trine University this year. Cole stated the need for sponsors.

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS

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Councilmember Martin moved to approve accounts payable vouchers 193 through 325 for \$978,672.16. Councilmember Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Hickman presented the 2009 State of the City Report.

There being no further business, the meeting was considered adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Richard M. Hickman, Mayor
Presiding Officer

Attest:

Debra A. Twitchell, IAMC/MMC/CPFA
Clerk-Treasurer