

**December 19, 2022**

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. Council Members Gary L. Crum, David A. Olson, Kathleen G. Armstrong, and Jerold D. McDermid answered roll. Council member David B. Martin was absent. Clerk-Treasurer Ryan P. Herbert recorded the minutes.

Among those present were City Attorney Kim Shoup, Planning and Economic Development Director Jennifer Barclay, City Engineer Amanda Cope, Street Commissioner Chad Ritter, Park Superintendent Matt Hanna, Chief of Police Ken Whitmire, Fire Chief Doug Call, Water Superintendent Tom Selman, and Deputy Systems Administrator Nathan Armstrong.

Also, among those present were Colleen Everage, Lori Long, Crystal Church- Stavitzke, Abby Huff of OCRA, Leslie Schlottman, Kalyn Schlottman, and Oksana Kotkina of *The Herald Republican*.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Council Member Armstrong moved to approve the December 5, 2022 minutes. Council Member Olson seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 1721-2022. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF ANGOLA, INDIANA EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK, EMPLOYEE BENEFITS- LEAVE PROGRAMS, was read by title and presented to Council for first reading. Council Member Olson moved to approve. Council Member McDermid seconded the motion. The motion to approve on first reading carried 4-0. Council Member Crum moved to poll the Council for unanimous consent to waive Common Council Meeting- Rule 22 to allow second and third readings, Council Member Olson seconded the motion. The motion to suspend Common Council Meetings- Rule 22 carried 4-0. Ordinance No. 1721-2022. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF ANGOLA, INDIANA EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK, EMPLOYEE BENEFITS- LEAVE PROGRAMS, was then read by title and presented to Council on second reading. Council Member Olson moved to approve. Council Member Crum seconded the motion. The motion to approve on second reading carried 4-0. Ordinance No. 1721-2022. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF ANGOLA, INDIANA EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK, EMPLOYEE BENEFITS- LEAVE PROGRAMS, was then read by title and presented to Council on third and final reading. Council Member Olson moved to approve. Council Member Crum seconded the motion. The motion to approve on third and final reading carried 4-0.

Ordinance No. 1722-2022. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANGOLA MUNICIPAL CODE, TITLE 12 STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND PUBLIC PLACES,

CHAPTER 12.25 PUBLIC PARKS, was read by title and presented to Council for first reading. Council Member McDermid moved to approve. Council Member Crum seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Senior Program Manager Abby Huff of the Office of Community and Rural Affairs provided a presentation and answered questions on the Indiana Main Street Program. The highlights of the presentation included how the program works, what a successful main street is, and roles and responsibilities of the organizations involved. Resolution No. 2022-839. A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANGOLA, INDIANA PARTNERSHIP WITH DOWNTOWN ANGOLA COALITION, was read by title and presented to Council for approval. Council Member Olson moved to approve. Council Member Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Resolution No. 2022-840. A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ANGOLA FOR THE GENERAL, MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY, AND LIT- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDS AND FORWARDED TO THE COMMON COUNCIL FOR THEIR ACTION AND PASSAGE PURSUANT TO IC 6-1.1-18.6, was read by title and presented to Council for approval. Council Member Crum moved to approve. Council Member Olson seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Lori Long of Links Creative Alliance Inc. gave a report and answered questions on the Angola Rebranding Project. Long explained that Links would like to conduct two further community engagement sessions. Discussion followed regarding city logos. Council Member Armstrong moved to approve the Proposal for Services with Links Creative Alliance Inc. for Community Engagement to support re-branding efforts in the amount of \$16,090. Council Member McDermid seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Council Member Olson moved to approve the Lease with Freedom Academy, Inc for 2023 in the amount of \$300 per month. Council Member Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Council Member Crum moved to approve the 2023 Fire Protection Agreements with Jackson Township in the amount of \$3,500. Council Member McDermid seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-1. Council Member Olson dissented.

Council Member McDermid moved to reappoint Mark A. Cowen and Charles P. Dowe to the Redevelopment Commission for the year 2023. Council Member Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Hickman announced board, committee and commission appointments for 2023.

- Board of Public Works and Safety  
Richard M. Hickman, Chair  
David B. Martin, Council Member  
David A. Olson, Council Member
- Common Council Standing Committees

- Services & Budget > Olson and Martin
- Public Safety > Crum and Olson
- City Utilities > Martin and McDermid
- Streets, Alleys, and Lighting > Crum and Armstrong
- Traffic Commission
  - Jerold McDermid, Council Member

Mayor Hickman announced department head appointments for 2023.

Building Commissioner	Scott L. Lehman
Chief of Police	Kenneth L. Whitmire
City Attorney	Kim E. Shoup
City Engineer	Amanda R. Cope
Economic Development & Planning Director	Jennifer M. Barclay
Fire Chief	Douglas L. Call
Park Superintendent	Matthew J. Hanna
Street Commissioner	Chad F. Ritter
Systems Administrator	Nathan A. Armstrong
Water Superintendent	Thomas H. Selman
Wastewater Superintendent	Jeffrey S. Gaff

Noted for the record was the filing of the Annual Certification of Elected Official to the Executive of the City of Angola, Indiana on Compliance with Municipal Nepotism Policy Involving Direct Line Supervision for the mayor, clerk-treasurer, and council members

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Clerk-Treasurer’s Depository Statement and Cash Reconciliation for the month ending November 2022 was presented for Council information.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Clerk-Treasurer Herbert reported that the city had received its 1782 Notice from the Department of Local Government Finance for the 2023 budget. The 2023 budget and tax rates were approved for the amounts approved by council and submitted to the DLGF.

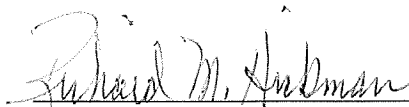
City Engineer Cope reported that the city has received its notice of award for the 2023 Community Crossings Project totaling \$580,000.

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS

Council Member Armstrong moved to approve the Allowance of Accounts Payable Vouchers 60419 through 60660 totaling \$782,179.09 which includes interfund transfers of \$145,192.50. Council Member McDermid seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

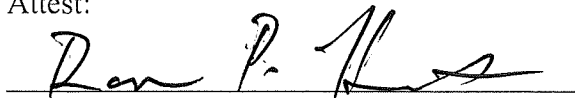
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was considered adjourned at 8:01 p.m.



Richard M. Hickman, Mayor  
Presiding Officer

Attest:



Ryan P. Herbert, Clerk-Treasurer