



# Meeting of the Greenwood Common Council MINUTES

**Date:** February 19, 2025  
**Time:** 7:00 pm  
**Place:** Council Chambers  
Greenwood City Center  
300 S. Madison  
Greenwood, Indiana

- I. **Call Meeting to Order** President Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in person and online vis Zoom.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Prayer: Mr. Mike Hull with Grace Bible Church of New Whiteland

C. Roll Call:

Council Members Present: Council Members Present: Erin Betron, ("Ms. Betron"), Mike Campbell ("Mr. Campbell"), Linda Gibson ("Ms. Gibson"), Ezra Hill ("Mr. Hill") David Hopper ("Mr. Hopper") David Lekse ("Mr. Lekse"), Teri Manship ("Ms. Manship"), Steve Moan ("Mr. Moan"), Mike Williams ("Mr. Williams")

City Officials present: Mark Myers ("Mayor Myers"), Jeannine Myers ("Ms. Myers") City Clerk, James Ison ("Chief Ison") Police Department, Matt Fillenwarth, ("Assistant Chief Fillenwarth") Police Department, Jayme Washel ("Chief Washel") Fire Department, Gabe Nelson ("Mr. Nelson") Planning Director, Greg Wright ("Mr. Wright") Controller, Terry Swihart, ("Mr. Swihart") Assistant City Attorney

## II. **Approval of Minutes**

A. Minutes from the regular meeting February 3, 2025

Motion to approve regular meeting minutes from February 3, 2025 by Lekse, seconded by Moan

**Votes: Ayes – Campbell, Gibson, Hill, Hopper, Lekse, Manship, Moan, Williams**

**Abstain – Betron**

**Motion passes 8-0 with 1 abstention**

Mr. Campbell introduced Mayor Myers and Chief Ison for an award presentation to Officer Swafford. Office Swafford was presented with the Police Department Lifesaving Medal for his heroic action while responding to a call of an infant not breathing and blue. Office Swafford arrived on scene and immediately began CPR and cleared the infant's airway. The infant was transported to the hospital and made a full recovery. Thank you, Officer Swafford.

## III. **Reports**

A. Corporation Counsel

B. Controller

**C. Committee & Board Reports** Mr. Campbell states everyone should have received the RDC meeting minutes.

Annual Contract:

Greenwood Band, Ms. Ashley Petitt with presentation to the council.

Motion to approve band contract for \$5,000 total. \$2,500 from the council and \$2,500 from the mayor's office by Williams, seconded by Betron

**Votes: All Ayes**

**IV. Public Comments**

**V. Ordinances and Resolutions**

**A. Notice of Intent to Consider**

**B. First Reading**

ORDINANCE NO. 25-06 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND GREENWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE I, BUILDING CODE, TO ESTABLISH A BUILDING COMMISSIONER, BUILDING CODE OFFICIAL, AND INSPECTOR CONFLICT OF INTEREST PROCEDURE, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES (Sponsored by Gibson)

Mr. Nelson was present to answer any questions. There were none.

Motion to pass first reading for Ord No. 25-06 by Gibson, seconded by Lekse

**Votes: Ayes – Betron, Campbell, Gibson, Hill, Hopper, Lekse, Manship, Moan, Williams**  
**Motion Passes 9-0**

**C. Second Reading**

RESOLUTION NO. 25-01 A RESOLUTION OF THE GREENWOOD COMMON COUNCIL TO ADOPT THE WRITTEN FISCAL PLAN FOR THE ANNEXATION OF APPROXIMATELY 100.67 ACRES LOCATED AT 3481 S. HONEY CREEK ROAD AND 6400 BLOCK, WEST SIDE, NORTH 125 WEST, Referencing Annexation Ordinance No. 25-01 (Sponsored by Gibson)

Motion to pass second reading for Res No. 25-01 by Gibson, seconded Manship

Mr. Campbell explains that since Res No. 25-01 references Ord No. 25-01 which failed, there is no need to pass Res No. 25-01, however since it passed first reading it needs to be on the agenda.

Mr. Nelson, he states that he would like to withdraw this petition since the annexation is not moving forward, there is no need the for the common council to adopt the fiscal plan.

Motion to withdraw Res No. 25-01 by Gibson, seconded by Williams

**Votes: All Ayes**

RESOLUTION NO. 25-02 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GREENWOOD AND PLEASANT TOWNSHIP, JOHNSON COUNTY REGARDING FIRE PROTECTION (Sponsored by Campbell)

Motion to pass second reading for Res No. 25-02 by Moan, seconded by Hopper

**Votes: Ayes – Campbell, Gibson, Hill, Hopper, Lekse, Manship, Moan, Williams, Betron**  
**Motion Passes 9-0**

RESOLUTION NO. 25-03 A RESOLUTION OF THE GREENWOOD COMMON COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR, THE ACCEPTANCE OF, AND IMPLEMENTATION OF, 2025 COUNTY LOCAL DRUG-FREE COMMUNITIES FUND GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,474.00 WITH THE DRUG FREE JOHNSON COUNTY (Sponsored by Gibson)

Motion to pass second reading Res No. 25-03 by Gibson, seconded by Hopper

**Votes: Ayes – Gibson, Hill, Hopper, Lekse, Manship, Moan, Williams, Betron, Campbell**  
**Motion Passes 9-0**

ORDINANCE NO. 25-03 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 SALARY ORDINANCE, COMMON COUNCIL ORDINANCE NO. 24-27, TO ADD PART-TIME MOBILE INTEGRATED HEALTH COORDINATOR POSITION IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT (Sponsored by Moan)

Motion to pass second reading Ord No. 25-03 by Moan, seconded by Hopper

**Votes: Ayes – Hill, Hopper, Lekse, Manship, Moan, Williams, Betron, Campbell, Gibson**  
**Motion Passes 9-0**

ORDINANCE NO. 25-04 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AN APPROPRIATION FROM THE OPIOID SETTLEMENT RESTRICTED FUND TO BUDGET CLASSIFICATION PERSONAL SERVICES 411 (\$35,000.00) (Sponsored by Moan)

Motion to pass second reading Ord No. 25-04 by Moan, seconded by Hopper

**Votes: Ayes – Hopper, Lekse, Manship, Moan, Williams, Betron, Campbell, Gibson, Hill**  
**Motion Passes 9-0**

ORDINANCE NO. 25-05 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 SALARY ORDINANCE, COMMON COUNCIL ORDINANCE NO. 24-27, TO DECREASE A MAINTENANCE LABORER POSITION AND ADD A MAINTENANCE LABORER/NON-DOT POSITION IN THE STORMWATER DEPARTMENT (Sponsored by Campbell)

Motion to pass second reading Ord No. 25-05 by Hopper, seconded by Lekse

**Votes: Ayes – Lekse, Manship, Moan, Williams, Betron, Campbell, Gibson, Hill, Hopper**  
**Motion Passes 9-0**

## **VI. New Business – Introductions of New Ordinances and Resolutions**

ORDINANCE NO. 25-07 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 6, SEC. 2-38 OF THE GREENWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE, AS AMENDED, DESIGNATING NO PARKING ON BOTH SIDES OF STACIE'S WAY BETWEEN GRAHAM ROAD AND COLLINS ROAD, AND ON COLLINS ROAD, BETWEEN ALLEN ROAD AND GRAHAM ROAD (Sponsored by Hopper)

Chief Ison, the factories and warehouses in our commercial district out east, have semis that block the roadways and line the roadways, during different times a day. The warehouse has certain time that the semis can pick up and deliver, and if they arrive early, they sit out there and cause a traffic congestion. It is a major safety issue for vehicles using those throughfares, and we have been dealing with it for months. We are looking to prohibit parking in that area.

Ms. Gibson, Chief would you like us to suspend the rules to help get this under control? Chief Ison replies, that would be helpful.

Mr. Moan, states he is a son of truck driver, and is wondering where they will go if they get there early, and where do we direct them to? Chief Ison, explains the we are moving them off the interstate ramps, because they are parking there, and there is not enough semi parking at our local truck stop. We are lucky in this area, we have one at Whiteland, and one here in Greenwood, but they have to pay to park there and a lot of them don't want to do that. There are also new federal restrictions on truck drivers, they have timers in their vehicle and when they go off, they have to put over and stop. So, it's really on them to make the necessary preparations for their route, to find a place and pay in advance. The problem is out east, Amazon has so much traffic, that they won't let them in until their pick up or delivery time, so they just find a place to park. But when you have 20 or 30 semis on the road, that becomes a problem. Mr. Williams, I have a question, not necessarily related to this exact ordinance, but to Stop 18 and Aldi, I know we have had the same issue there, is that something you are looking at? Chief Ison, yes, we have been dealing with this all over the city, and it is becoming a newer problem for us. I actually just ran a truck driver off. I understand that the truck drivers are frustrated too, and that they have a job to do, but my job is to look out for public safety and the traffic flow. With the new regulation that have been put on the truck driver, they are just finding any place to park. It is not just a problem for our community, it's a problem everywhere. There are not enough rest stops, or truck stops, but they just can't park on side of road. Yes, we have been dealing with out there.

Motion to suspend the rules through first reading Ord. No. 25-07 by Gibson, seconded by Betron  
**Votes: Ayes - Manship, Moan, Williams, Betron, Campbell Gibson, Hill, Hopper, Lekse**  
**Motion Passes 9-0**

Motion to pass first reading Ord No. 25-07 by Gibson, seconded by Williams  
**Votes: Ayes – Moan, Williams, Betron, Campbell, Gibson, Hill, Hopper, Lekse, Manship**  
**Motion Passes 9-0**

Motion to suspend the rules through seconded reading Ord No. 25-07 by Gibson, seconded by Manship  
**Votes: Ayes – Williams, Betron, Campbell, Gibson, Hill, Hopper, Lekse, Manship, Moan**  
**Motion Passes 9-0**

Mr. Campbell states he might have said Ordinance No. 25-04 instead of 25-07, so for the record it is Ordinance No. 25-07.

Motion to pass seconded reading Ord No. 25-07 by Gibson, seconded by Williams  
**Votes: Ayes – Betron, Campbell, Gibson, Hill, Hopper, Lekse, Manship, Moan, Williams**  
**Motion Passes 9-0**

**ORDINANCE NO. 25-08 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND GREENWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 4, SECTION 4-66, "THE OFFICIAL FEE SCHEDULE", TO INCREASE FEES; TO AMEND CHAPTER 6, SECTION 6-339, "OBSTRUCTION OF STREETS AND SIDEWALKS", TO ESTABLISH FEES; TO AMEND CHAPTER 6, SECTION 6-115, "FALSE ALARMS", TO PRESCRIBE FINES, AND TO AMEND CHAPTER 7, SECTION 7-45, "RIGHT-OF-WAY EXCAVATIONS, CUTS, AND DISTURBANCES", TO INCREASE PERMIT FEES (Sponsored by Gibson)**

Mr. Nelson, I'm here to answer any questions, we do have quite a few things going on here with these fee schedules, one is false alarms for fire, right now every time a false alarm is triggered, fire has to respond to those and we are trying to adjust our fees to accurately compensate for what they are doing there. We also have engineering fees that we are looking to be increased. We also have building fees and some of those include inspection fees, that have been looked at. This included staff to go out and make these inspections and also to do the reviews. Also look at neighborhoods and communities of similar size in the Midwest and in Indiana. We do have our permit fees, that is what I previously sent over the plan commission recommendation, that was a unanimous recommendation from our advisory plan commission. And the reason for some of these fee increases, which have not been increase for planning and building since 2013, in order to compensate without supplementing with taxpayer money. Right now, we have staff time, we have reviews, applications, we have legal reviews. We spend time with the applicants, and if we're not accurately compensating for the expense of staff salaries, staff reviews, staff expertise, that ends up being paid for by the tax payors, and not the people that are actually looking for a subdivision or the variance.

I also would like to let you know, did add a few fees, one of those being a zoning verification fee letter. This would not be for residents calling in and asking about the zoning of a property, these are typically from the loaning intuitions with many due diligent and public record requests, we get many of these and it's a pretty standard thing for municipalities to have fees for that, as well as a few other fees that have been added from the stormwater.

**VII. Miscellaneous Business**

**A. Public Comments**

**B. Council**

Fire Merit Commission

Motion to reappoint Steve Dhondt to Fire Merit Commission by Hopper seconded by Moan

**Votes: All Ayes**

Annual Contract:

Greenwood Social

Motion to approve Greenwood Social contract by Lekse, seconded by Manship

**Votes: Ayes 8-0 with 1 abstention**

**Gibson abstained**

**C. Other Miscellaneous**

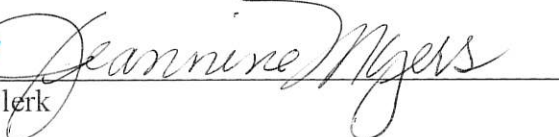
**A. Corporation Council**

**B. Controller**

**C. Mayor**

**VII. Adjournment: 7:34 pm**

  
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President

  
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Clerk