



Meeting of the Greenwood Common Council MINUTES

Date: March 17, 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 via Zoom

A. **Pledge of Allegiance**

B. **Prayer:** Evangelist Howard Cottengim, from Redeemer Baptist Church

C. **Roll Call:** Roll Call of the Common Council was taken.

Council Members Present: 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")

Erin Kasch and Mike Williams were absent.

City Officials Presents: Jeannine Myers ("Ms. Myers") Clerk, James Ison ("Chief Ison") Police Department, Brad Coy, ("Assistant Chief Coy"), Fire Department, Greg Wright, ("Mr. Wright") Controller, Gabe Nelson ("Mr. Nelson") Planning Director, Sam Hodson ("Mr. Hodson"), Corporation Counsel

II. **Approval of Minutes**

A. **Minutes from the regular meeting March 3, 2025**

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

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

Motion Passes 7-0

III. **Reports**

A. **Corporation Counsel**

B. **Controller**

C. **Committee & Board Reports**

Mr. Lekse, reporting on the Johnson County Recycling District, stating the new \$2.3 million dollar building will be opening in mid-May. This is a building where you can take your recycling like cardboard, televisions, plastic and things. We will be opening in mid-May at 2250 N. Graham Road. Thank you.

IV. **Public Comments**

Mr. Randy Goodin, 1157 Central Park Blvd., I would like to ask for clarity on Ord No. 25-09, regarding the wheel tax. As I was reading through this one, the section that I have a question

about is, when you list recreational vehicles, you do not state if there is a gross weight, or what the tonnage is. The way I read this is, basically this could be any little pop-up camper, or anything I decide to drag around behind my vehicle. So, I was wondering if there was any clarification that can be put around that. Thank you. Mr. Campbell states that we will see if we can address that at some point.

V. Ordinances and Resolutions

A. Notice of Intent to Consider

B. First Reading

RESOLUTION NO. 25-04 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GREENWOOD AND THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA REGARDING FIRE PROTECTION (Sponsored by Moan)

Motion to pass first reading Res No. 25-04 by Moan, seconded by Manship

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

Motion Passes 7-0

C. Second Reading

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)

Motion to pass second reading Ord No. 25-08 by Gibson, seconded by Manship

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

Motion Passes 7-0

VI. New Business – Introductions of New Ordinances and Resolutions

ORDINANCE NO. 25-09 AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING A MUNICIPAL WHEEL TAX AND MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE EXCISE TAX AND CREATING THE CITY OF GREENWOOD WHEEL TAX FUND AND THE CITY OF GREENWOOD MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE EXCISE SURTAX FUND (Sponsored by all council members)

Mr. Wright, the impetus for this municipal wheel tax coming out of HB 1461 is currently in the senate now, which is the road funding bill from Rep. Pressel. Part of the requirements under that bill, are that a city that is eligible to adopt a municipal wheel tax must have one adopted in order to be eligible for the Community Crossings grant dollars, which we have utilized quite a bit in the last few years for matching grants for road work. With this, it is not stacked with the county rate, so this will be in leu of the county rate. So, any wheel tax paid within the city of Greenwood will go to the city of Greenwood, rather than be split out by the current formula. The biggest thing for us is, the potential loss of the Community Crossings grants dollars. Right now, our limit on that is 1.5 million dollars a year so we match those 1.5 million dollars for paving projects. This year we're doing almost \$3 million worth of work in the Country Aire subdivision. It's a big deal for us to be able to do that level of paving.

The reason we are looking at this now, is that the bill its self has complete support from our republican leadership at the state house, and it is almost certain that it will be passed without any further amendments.

VII. Miscellaneous Business

A. Public Comments

B. Council

CF-1's for consideration:

01. Main & Graham (Becknell Investors) Bldg. 4 RE Res. 19-14 (71)

Motion to find Main & Graham (Becknell Investors) Bldg. 4 RE Res. 19-14 (71) in compliance by Hopper, seconded by Lekse

Votes: All Ayes

02. Main & Graham (Becknell Investors) Bldg. 5 RE Res. 19-14 (72)

Motion to find Main & Graham (Becknell Investors) Bldg. 5 RE Res. 19-14 (72) in compliance by Hopper, seconded by Lekse

Votes: All Ayes

03. Southtech Drive (Becknell Investors) Bldg. 3 RE Res. 19-26 (73)

Motion to find Southtech Drive (Becknell Investors) Bldg. 3 RE Res. 19-26 (73) in compliance by Hopper, seconded by Lekse

Votes: All Ayes

C. Other Miscellaneous

A. Corporation Council

B. Controller

C. Mayor

VIII. Adjournment: 7:20 pm


Council President


Clerk