

\* CITY OF PERU COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES\*

March 2, 2020

The Common Council of the City of Peru, Indiana met in regular session at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. on March 2, 2020. The following members were present: Steve Anderson, Tom Gustin, Kathleen Plothow, Mark Ramsey, Patricia Russell, Pete Sahaidachny, and Betsy Wolfe.

Others present were Mayor Miles Hewitt, City Attorney Dustin Kern, City-Treasurer Susan Stanley, department heads and other interested persons.

Mayor Hewitt announced that there would be a brief public meeting held on the CCD Rate increase before the council meeting would start. The rate increase was explained by the clerk/treasurer Susan Stanley. The public was invited to voice their opinion or any concerns regarding the increase. After time elapsed for public discussion and having no objections Chairman Gustin moved to consider, seconded by Councilman Anderson. Chairman Gustin moved to adopt, seconded by Councilman Sahaidachny.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes

Motion Passed

Meeting of the Common Council was now resumed.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Chairman Gustin

INVOCATION – Led by Pastor Brent Wedding

ROLL CALL – Anderson, Gustin, Plothow, Ramsey, Russell, Sahaidachny, and Wolfe were all present.

READING AND CORRECTING JOURNAL – of minutes of Regular meeting on February 3, 2020

Council Chairman Gustin moved to suspend the rules and dispense with reading and correcting of the minutes of the regular meeting on February 3, 2020 and seconded by Councilman Anderson.

Roll Call: 7 ayes

Motion Passed

COMMUNICATION

Chairman Gustin announced that the Council has never appointed a liaison to the Library board or the School board and would not be doing so now or future.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance#2-2020

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 18, 2019

Chairman Gustin moved to consider Ordinance#2-2020 seconded by Councilman Anderson. After a brief review of the ordinance and why it was tabled from the February meeting Chairman Gustin moved to adopt seconded by Councilman Sahaidachny.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes

Motion Passed

NEW BUSINESS

Ashley Lowe requested to add a policy to the working ADA Transition Plan. Grievance procedure and grievance form to be added. Ashley explained why the city needs these to be compliant to receive federal money in the future. Chairman Gustin moved to accept her requests seconded by Councilman Sahaidachny.

Roll Call 7 Ayes

Request Approved

RESOLUTION#5-2020

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING RATE TRACKING FACTOR FOR THE MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC UTILITY OF THE CITY OF PERU, INDIANA.

Motion to consider made by Chairman Gustin, seconded by Councilman Anderson. Josh Chance, General Manager of Peru Utilities, stepped forward to offer an explanation of why this resolution was being presented and what it meant. After listening to the explanation Chairman Gustin moved to adopt seconded by Councilman Ramsey.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes

Motion Passed

RESOLUTION#6-2020

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING RATE TRACKER FACTOR FOR THE CITY OF PERU MUNICIPAL WATER UTILITY

Motion to consider Resolution#6-2020 was made by Chairman Gustin seconded by Councilwoman Plohow. Josh Chance again explained the resolution and why it is needed. Chairman Gustin moved to adopt Reosolution#6-2020 seconded by Councilwoman Plohow.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes

Motion Passed

ORDINANCE#6-2020

An ordinance of the City of Peru authorizing the issuance of waterworks revenue bonds for the purpose of providing funds to pay the cost of certain additions, extensions and improvements to the Grissom Aeroplex waterworks of said City, providing for the safeguarding of the interests of the owners of said bonds, other matters connected therewith, including the issuance of notes in anticipation of bonds, and repealing ordinances inconsistent herewith

Chairman Gustin moved to consider Ordinance#6-2020 seconded by Councilman Ramsey. Josh Chance offered the explanation for the ordinance and answered all questions. Chairman Gustin moved to adopt Ordinance#6-2020 seconded by Councilwoman Plothow.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes

Motion Passed

#### ORDINANCE#7-2020

AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE A NORTH/SOUTH ALLEY IN THE CITY OF PERU

Motion to consider Ordinance#7-2020 made by Chairman Gustin, seconded by Councilman Ramsey.

Haley Hewitt, zone enforcement, stepped forward to present the explanation of why this was requested. Wayne Bunker stepped forward to explain why he wants to have this alley vacated by his newly purchased property to give him additional room behind his property. Two other people offered their input on why this shouldn't be vacated and the affect it would have on the other neighbors using the alley. Motion to adopt was made by Chairman Gustin, seconded by Councilman Ramsey.

Roll Call: 7 Nays

Motion Failed

#### ORDINANCE#8-2020

AN ORDINACE TO RE-ZONE IN THE CITY OF PERU.

Motion to consider Ordinance#8-2020 made by Chairman Gustin, seconded by Councilwoman Plothow.

Haley Hewitt, of zoning enforcement, explained where this property was located to be re-zoned and that after public notice and a public meeting on February 25, 2020 the City of Peru Planning Commission had given its favorable recommendation and submits their recommendation to the City of Peru Common Council for final action. Chairman Gustin made a motion to adopt Ordinance#8-2020 seconded by Councilman Ramsey.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes

Motion Passed

ORDINANCE#9-2020

AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE AN UNDEVELOPED STREET IN THE CITY OF PERU

Motion to consider Ordinance#9-2020 was made by Chairman Gustin seconded by Councilman Anderson. Haley Hewitt of Zoning enforcement explained where this property was and why it was given a favorable recommendation by the City of Peru Planning Commission after public notice and a public hearing was held to vacate said undeveloped street. Motion to adopt was made by Chairman Gustin, seconded by Councilwoman Wolfe.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes

Motion Passed

ORDINANCE#10-2020

AN ORDINANCE TO RE-ZONE IN THE CITY

Motion consider Ordinance#10-2020, seconded by Councilman Sahaidachny. Haley Hewitt of zoning enforcement explained where this property was and why it should be re-zoned. The City of Peru Planning Commission has given its Favorable Recommendation to the City of Peru Common Council after giving notice to the public and holding a public meeting to have this re-zoned. Chairman Gustin moved to adopt, seconded by Councilman Ramsey.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes

Motion Passed

COMMUNICATIONS

NONE

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Chairman Gustin to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Anderson

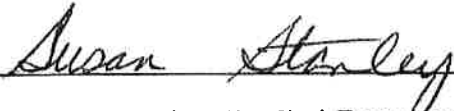
Motion Passed

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Mile Hewitt, Mayor

City of Peru, Indiana

Attest:

  
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Susan Stanley, City Clerk Treasurer

City of Peru, Indiana