

REGULAR SESSION, COMMON COUNCIL, JUNE 8, 2020

Be it remembered that the Common Council of the City of Plymouth, Indiana, met in regular session on June 8, 2020. The meeting was held in the Council Chambers, on the second floor of the City Building, 124 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Indiana and was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Senter led the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilman Ecker offered prayer.

Senter presided for Council Members Greg Compton, Duane Culp, Don Ecker, Jeff Houin, Robert Listenberger, Randy Longanecker and Shiloh Milner. City Attorney Sean Surrisi and Clerk-Treasurer Jeanine Xavier were also present.

Members Culp and Longanecker moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the regular and executive Common Council meetings on May 26, 2020 as presented. The motion carried.

City Attorney Surrisi presented Resolution No. 2020-905, Resolution of the City of Plymouth Waiving Noncompliance Regarding Timely Filing of Form CF-1/Real Property (Marshall County Life Center, Inc.). Surrisi this is just a follow-up to the noncompliance waiver that was granted at the last council meeting. The county requires an accompanying resolution from the designating body.

Council Members Ecker and Listenberger moved and seconded to approve Resolution No. 2020-905, Resolution of the City of Plymouth Waiving Noncompliance Regarding Timely Filing of Form CF-1/Real Property (Marshall County Life Center, Inc.). It passed by roll call vote.

AYES:	Compton, Culp, Ecker, Listenberger, Longanecker, Milner
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	Houin

Under new business, two-mile zone resident Derek Workman, requested a waiver of the drainage review fees for the home he is building on 11B Road. He did not know that these fees were going to be assessed and he has already spent \$2,300 on the drainage plan.

There was discussion about the ramifications of granting the request. There have been waivers in the past; when the fees were first implemented in July 2018, a project that was already in the works had the fees waived, in addition to the memorandum with Centennial Crossings for their

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drainage review fees. Compton asked if the review process was still going to take place or if this waiver will compromise the drainage on this property. Houin stated that the review will take place and the request before them is whether or not the city will absorb the cost of the review.

Workman said he felt like this review process was for commercial properties with larger areas. They just happen to be building a house and pole barn that exceeded the limit. They will also have a 400-ft driveway, which contributes to the increase in hard surface area.

It was decided that the ordinance regarding these fees should be reviewed by the council, however, since the current ordinance has the fees, they will remain in place and are due to the city.

Airport Manager Sheley requested the council's approval to move forward with an additional appropriation of \$110,000 in the Cumulative Capital Development fund. He said this is for the engineering work being done for the 2021 Paved Parallel Taxiway Project, which will be refunded with grant money once it is awarded, as well the paving of the road and parking lot.

Council Members Houin and Culp moved and seconded to allow Sheley's additional appropriations request to continue to the next step of advertising and a public hearing. The motion carried.

Building Commissioner Keith Hammonds requested the council's approval to move forward with the request of an additional appropriation of \$30,000 from the Rainy Day fund for the Unsafe Building Fund. The money will be used for possible unsafe building demolitions that he has not had the chance to pursue due to lack of funds.

Ecker asked if there are other funds to look at appropriating from rather than the Rainy Day fund. Xaver said she will look into alternative funding sources.

Council Members Ecker and Houin moved and seconded to allow Hammond's additional appropriations request to continue to the next step of advertising and a public hearing. The motion carried.

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Councilwoman and local downtown business owner, Shiloh Milner, presented an application for the Plymouth Commercial Revitalization Rebate Program. She explained that the deck on the backside of her building is unsafe and she is at a point now where she can have the deck replaced.

Council Members Ecker and Houin moved and seconded to approve the Plymouth Commercial Revitalization Rebate application for Shiloh Milner. Councilwoman Milner abstained from voting. The motion carried.

Councilman Listenberger provided an update on the local, small business support group, which was formed in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. He said this group is working to help Plymouth businesses with rent, utilities, etc. in order to stay in business and/or open back up. The group conducted a survey and received 50 responses regarding local business owner's needs. They are now at a point where they are ready to start a loan grant committee, which entails putting together the application process, application reviews, and ultimately deciding how money is dispersed to businesses within the City of Plymouth. Listenberger said that some of the funding is coming from the Redevelopment Commission's donation to this organization and in partnership with the Plymouth Economic Development Corporation. Listenberger recommended Shiloh Milner be part of that loan grant committee.

Council Members Listenberger and Ecker moved and seconded to select Shiloh Milner as the Council's liaison and representative to the loan committee. The motion carried.

City Attorney Surrisi updated the council on the Stellar Communities Grant. There is a Zoom meeting later this week with the state Stellar representatives. There will also be a meeting this week with the subcommittee for the electronic message boards that will be installed in each community. Surrisi noted that the county was awarded \$150,000, in addition to the Stellar funds, for this project. The Housing Committee nominated Brent Martin as the representative of that group to the overall non-profit board.

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Council Members Listenberger and Longanecker moved and seconded to approve the following CF-1 submissions:

- Hoosier Racing Tire Corp
  - Personal Property (Res 2012-483)
- Tex-Tyler Corp
  - Real Property (Res 2016-716)
- Viking Paper Corp
  - Personal Property (Res 2016-716)
- WestRock CP, LLC
  - Personal Property (Res 2015-676)

The motion carried.

Mayor Senter offered the privilege of the floor.

City Attorney Surrisi presented Resolution No. 2020-906, A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Plymouth to Approve the Application of Shiloh Milner for a Commercial Revitalization Rebate Program Grant. It passed by roll call vote.

AYES: Compton, Culp, Ecker, Houin, Listenberger, Longanecker  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: Milner

Members Houin and Compton moved and seconded to accept the following communications:

- Minutes of the Board of Public Works and Safety meeting of May 26, 2020
- Minutes of the Technical Review Committee meeting of May 26, 2020
- Minutes of the Park Board meeting of March 2, 2020 and May 4, 2020
- Minutes of the Urban Forest and Flower Committee meeting of May 20, 2020

The motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Members Longanecker and Ecker moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

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Jeanine M. Xaver, IAMC, CMC  
Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED

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Mark Senter, Mayor