

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA
October 23, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Jasper, Indiana, was held on Wednesday October 23, 2024, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street, Jasper, Indiana.

Call to Order. Presiding Officer Mayor Dean Vonderheide called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call. Clerk Treasurer Kiersten Knies called the roll.

	<u>In Person</u>	<u>Video</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mayor Dean Vonderheide	X		
Council members:			
John Schroeder	X		
Chad Lueken	X		
Vince Helming	X		
Paul Lorey	X		
Kevin Manley	X		
Nancy Eckerle	X		
Philip Mundy	X		
City Attorney Renee Kabrick	X		
Clerk-Treasurer Kiersten Knies	X		

Knies announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the council members must be in attendance. All of the council members were in attendance at the beginning of the meeting, which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

Moment of Personal Reflection. Mayor Vonderheide asked that all present take a moment for personal reflection.

Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Vonderheide invited all those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the Minutes. The minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held September 18, 2024, were distributed to, and examined by the Council. A motion was made by Council member Kevin Manley and seconded by Council member Nancy Eckerle to approve the minutes from September 21, 2024, without corrections. Motion carried 7-0.

Department Presentation.

Personnel/Safety/Loss Control Director Cale Knies gave an update on the Personnel/Safety/Loss Control Departments.

Ordinance No. 2024-14

An Ordinance Levying Taxes and Fixes the Rate of Taxation for the City of Jasper, Indiana, for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2025.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Vince Helming to read Ordinance No. 2024-14 by title only on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-14 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Kevin Manley and seconded by John Schroeder to approve Ordinance No. 2024-14 on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Chad Lueken to read Ordinance No. 2024-14 by title only on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-14 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Phil Mundy to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-14 on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2024-15

An Ordinance Appropriating Money for the City of Jasper, Indiana for the Year 2025.

A motion was made by Vince Helming and seconded by Paul Lorey to read Ordinance No. 2024-15 by title only on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-15 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Kevin Manley to approve Ordinance No. 2024-15 on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Kevin Manley and seconded by Vince Helming to read Ordinance No. 2024-15 by title only on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-15 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Kevin Manley and seconded by Chad Lueken to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-15 on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2024-17

An Ordinance Establishing Fees for Activities of the Jasper Department of Parks and Recreation.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Vince Helming to read Ordinance No. 2024-17 by title only on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-17 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Kevin Manley and seconded by Phil Mundy to approve Ordinance No. 2024-17 on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to read Ordinance No. 2024-17 by title only on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-17 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Chad Lueken and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-17 on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2024-18

An Ordinance Authorizing the City to Enter a Conditional Project Expenditure Agreement (Northridge Estates Project) and the Grant of the Proceeds thereof to Kerstiens Development, Inc., Kerstiens Homes and Designs, Inc., and/or Their Assigns, and Authorizing and Approving Other Actions in Respect Thereto.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Kevin Manley to read Ordinance No. 2024-18 by title only on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-18 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Kevin Manley and seconded by John Schroeder to approve Ordinance No. 2024-18 on the second reading. Motion carried 5-2, with Chad Lueken and Vince Helming opposed.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Phil Mundy to amend the language in Ordinance No. 2024-18 to reflect a ten-year sunset phase on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Chad Lueken and seconded by Vince Helming to table the third reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2024-19

An Ordinance Affixing Salaries and Wages for the Elected Officials and the Civil City Employees for the Year 2025.

A motion was made by Chad Lueken and seconded by Vince Helming to consider Ordinance No. 2024-19 for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Phil Mundy to read Ordinance No. 2024-19 by title only on the first and only reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-19 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by John Schroeder to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-19 on the first and only reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2024-20

An Ordinance Affixing Salaries and Wages for the Utility Employees for the Year 2025.

A motion was made by Vince Helming and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to consider Ordinance No. 2024-20 for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by John Schroeder to read Ordinance No. 2024-20 by title only on the first and only reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-20 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Kevin Manley and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-20 on the first and only reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2024-21

An Ordinance Providing for a Uniform Code for Traffic Upon the Public Streets – Truck Routes and Load Limits and Setting Forth Truck Load Limits and Street Restrictions (Amending Chapter 9.33 Truck Load Limits and Street Restrictions)

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Vince Helming to read Ordinance No. 2024-21 by title only on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick, so read Ordinance No. 2024-21 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Kevin Manley and seconded by John Schroeder to approve Ordinance No. 2024-21 on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Resolution No. 2024-19

A Resolution Confirming the Designation of a Portion of the City of Jasper as an Economic Revitalization Area and Approving a Statement of Benefits (Park Place Estates One, LLC)

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Vince Helming to read Resolution No. 2024-19 by title only on the first and only reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick, so read Resolution No. 2024-19 by title only.

Mayor Vonderheide opened the matter up for a public hearing. There being no one available from the public for comment, a motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Vince Helming to close the public hearing. Motion carried 7-0.

Thereafter a motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Vince Helming to approve Resolution No. 2024-19 on the first and only reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Resolution No. 2024-21

A Resolution Awarding Build-Operate Transfer Project and Taking Certain Other Related Actions

A motion was made by Vince Helming and seconded by Paul Lorey to read Resolution No. 2024-21 by title only on the first and only reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick, so read Resolution No. 2024-21 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Kevin Manley and seconded by John Schroeder to approve Resolution No. 2024-21 on the first and only reading with the changes discussed. Motion carried 7-0.

Adjournment. There being no further business, a motion was made by Council member Kevin Manley and seconded by Council member Vince Helming to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 7-0 and the meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

The minutes were hereby approved _____ with X without corrections or clarification this 20th day of November 2024.



Mayor Dean Vonderheide, Presiding Officer

Attest: 

Kiersten Knies, Clerk-Treasurer