

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA
December 18, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Jasper, Indiana, was held on Wednesday December 18, 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 November 20, 2024, were distributed to, and examined by the Council. A motion was made by Council member Paul Lorey and seconded by Council member Nancy Eckerle to approve the minutes from November 20, 2024, without corrections. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2024-27

An Ordinance Amending the Unified Development Ordinance for the City of Jasper, Indiana, and Its Jurisdictional Area

A motion was made by Vince Helming and seconded by Kevin Manley to read Ordinance No. 2024-27 by title only on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-27 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Chad Lueken to approve Ordinance No. 2024-27 on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2024-29

An Ordinance Appropriating Additional Money for the Remainder of the Year Ending December 31, 2024

Mayor Vonderheide opened the meeting for a public hearing. There being no one from the public in attendance, a motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Phil Mundy to close the public hearing. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Kevin Manley to consider Ordinance No. 2024-29 for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by John Schroeder to read Ordinance No. 2024-29 by title only. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick read Ordinance No. 2024-29 by title only.

A motion was made by John Schroeder and seconded by Vince Helming to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-29 on the first and only reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2024-28

An Ordinance to Transfer Appropriations for the Remainder of the Year Ending December 31, 2024

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Chad Lueken to consider Ordinance No. 2024-28 for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Vince Helming to read Ordinance No. 2024-28 by title only. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick, so read Ordinance No. 2024-28 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Vince Helming and seconded by John Schroeder to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-28 on the first and only reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2024-22

An Ordinance Authorizing and Establishing a Policy for Electronic Fund Transfers for the City of Jasper, Indiana

A motion was made by Chad Lueken and seconded by Phil Mundy to read Ordinance No. 2024-22 by title only on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-22 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Kevin Manley and seconded by John Schroeder to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-22 on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to read Ordinance No. 2024-22 by title only on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-22 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Vince Helming and seconded by Chad Lueken to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-22 on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2024-24

An Ordinance Establishing a Special Use Restricted Donation Fund

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Chad Lueken to read Ordinance No. 2024-24 by title only on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-24 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Kevin Manley to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-24 on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Vince Helming and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to read Ordinance No. 2024-24 by title only on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-24 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-24 on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2024-25

An Ordinance Vacating a Public Drainage & Utility Easement

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Vince Helming to read Ordinance No. 2024-25 by title only on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-25 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Vince Helming to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-25 on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by John Schroeder to read Ordinance No. 2024-25 by title only on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-25 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Vince Helming to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-25 on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2024-26

An Ordinance Amending the Rules and Regulations for the Operation of a Natural Gas System Owned by the City of Jasper and Fixing a Schedule of Revised Rates and Charges for the Sale of Gas by the Jasper Municipal Gas Utility

A motion was made by Vince Helming and seconded by Chad Lueken to read Ordinance No. 2024-26 by title only on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-26 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-26 on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to read Ordinance No. 2024-26 by title only on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-26 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by John Schroeder and seconded by Vince Helming to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-26 on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Regional Wellness Center Update and Discussion

Mayor Vonderheide gave an update on the Regional Wellness Center project and timeline. Mike Steffe with the YMCA gave an update on fundraising for the project. There are over \$13 million dollars in written pledges, showing great progress and support.

Council Appointments

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Phil Mundy to approve the following council appointments:

- Adam Auffart – Utility Service Board
- John Schroeder – Redevelopment Commission
- Phil Mundy – Redevelopment Commission
- Vince Helming – Solid Waste Management

Motion carried 7-0.

Application for Gas License

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to approve a Gas License for Jordan Spencer with Huntingburg Machine Works. Motion carried 7-0.

Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement

A motion was made by John Schroeder and seconded by Vince Helming to approve a Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement from Phil Mundy of Mundy Outdoors, LLC. Motion carried 6-0, with Phil Mundy abstaining.

Adjournment. There being no further business, a motion was made by Council member Paul Lorey and seconded by Council member Vince Helming to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 7-0 and the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

The minutes were hereby approved ____ with ____ without corrections or clarification this 22nd day of January 2025.

Mayor Dean Vonderheide, Presiding Officer

Attest: _____
Kiersten Knies, Clerk-Treasurer