

MINUTES

THE COMMON COUNCIL

June 06, 2016

6:30 P.M.

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF CHARLESTOWN WAS HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 06, 2016 AT 6:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL WITH MAYOR G. ROBERT HALL PRESIDING.

Council members present were, Ben Ledbetter, Brian Hester, Tina Barnes, Ted Little and Eric Vaughn. Also present were Mayor Hall, Clerk/Treasurer Donna Coomer and City Attorney Michael Gillenwater.

Pledge of Allegiance

Barry Early

Invocation

Donnie Roark

Agenda

Councilman Hester made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Councilman Vaughn. Approved 5-0.

Minutes

Councilman Little made a motion to approve the Minutes from May 16, 2016, seconded by Councilman Hester. Approved 5-0

Claims

Councilman Ledbetter made a motion to approve the Claims, seconded by Councilman Little. Approved 5-0.

Payroll Allowance Docket

Councilman Ledbetter made a motion to approve the Payroll Allowance Docket from May 16, through June 03, 2016, seconded by Councilman Little. Approved 5-0.

Public Comment

None

Redevelopment Authority

Attorney Gillenwater discussed the concept of a Redevelopment Authority as compared with a Redevelopment Commission.

Mayor Hall pointed out that River Ridge has a Redevelopment Authority which has (5) members. The Bridge Authority was established and takes care of the bridges, had it not been set up we would not have seen the bridges. These are two great success stories.

Attorney Gillenwater said he has a drafted an Ordinance establishing a Redevelopment Authority and will present it at the next meeting. He suggested the Council members check to see what other municipalities have.

TIF Expansion

Mayor Hall explained the purpose of expanding the TIF district and said a map of the new TIF area is being prepared and will be presented. It will not be at the next meeting, but the one after. It has to go through the Redevelopment Commission then go through the Planning & Zoning Commission

Councilman Ledbetter asked if the Council has the statutory right to dissolve the Redevelopment Authority. Attorney Gillenwater said you can, but you would have to incur all the obligations the Redevelopment Authority has incurred and the city would have to take on all the debt. Once they have been created he is not aware of one ever being dissolved. Mr. Hester asked about the length of the terms of Redevelopment Authority board members. Mayor Hall said they would all start out at 1 year and then at the end of their term their next term would stagger. Each member after the first one year term would be appointed at different terms, for example, as each members term expires. One member would be appointed for (2) years. Another member would be appointed for (3) years.

Sanitation

Mayor Hall discussed a new Ordinance on sanitation at the next meeting which is necessary to address revenue shortfalls and other problems.

Water Main Break

There was a leak on Pike Street which finally surfaced, because of being embedded in gravel it finally broke open and we were able to replace it.

Water Report

Councilman Little asked about the water report. Mayor Hall said we have to do a pre-application and submit a preliminary engineering report to the State Revolving Fund (SRF). We will have to finish the bid packets and should be able to start working on the water projects.

Adjournment

Councilman Ledbetter made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Vaughn. Approved 5-0.



MAYOR, G. ROBERT HALL



DATE

ATTEST:


CLERK TREASURER, DONNA S. COOMER



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