

# REGULAR MEETING – AUGUST 21, 2007

The Common Council of the City of Michigan City, Indiana, met in regular session on Tuesday Evening, August 21, 2007, at the hour of 7:30 p.m., local time, in the Common Council Chambers, located in the lower level of the City Hall Building, 100 East Michigan Boulevard, Michigan City, Indiana.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Council Vice-President Ron Meer, who presided until Council President Willie Milsap arrived; and took over to preside the remainder of the Meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a short period of silent prayer was observed.

Roll call was authorized and the following were noted present and/or absent:

**PRESENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS Evelyn D. Baker; Patricia Boy; Angelo Corley, Joseph Doyle; Phillip Jankowski; Virginia Martin; Paul Przybylinski; and Ronald Meer;(8)**

**ABSENT: Willie Milsap (1)**

**A QUORUM WAS NOTED PRESENT.**

## **APPROVAL of MINUTES**

Vice-President Meer inquired whether there were any corrections, deletions, or additions to the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 7, 2007; none were noted and, the minutes were approved as printed by Vice-President Meer.

***For the record Council President Willie Milsap arrived at the Meeting.***

## **REPORTS of STANDING, SPECIAL, or SELECT COMMITTEES**

### **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

There were no reports.

### **REPORTS of SPECIAL or SELECT COMMITTEES**

There were no reports.

### **REPORTS of OTHER CITY OFFICERS and DEPARTMENTS**

There were no reports.

### **PETITIONS**

There were no petitions.

## COMMUNICATIONS

John Pugh, City Planner addressed the Council and read a response letter from Dawn & Thomas Bancsi, 5271 N. Johnson Road, Michigan City, Indiana, regarding the Community Development Block Grant program (C.D.B.G.). The City has been a participant in this program since 2004. This program is prepared through the City and the C.D.B.G. staff and submitted to H.U.D. on an annual basis. Judy Pinkston, the C.D.B.G. Director prepared a response that Mr. Pugh read to the Council and filed with the Clerk's Office to be recorded. Council President Milsap asked if there were any questions from the Council or the Public, and being none, the communication was accepted.

## ORDINANCES

The Clerk read by title only on first reading, **AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR PETITIONING THE COUNCIL TO VACATE A PUBLIC WAY, PUBLIC PLACE, OR PLATTED EASEMENT**, introduced by Mr. Corley and Mrs. Martin.

Council President Milsap asked if there were any questions from the Council; Councilman Przybylinski asked what brought this piece of legislation up; was it the property on Michigan Boulevard. Mr. Corley replied that it was. Mr. Przybylinski asked if the City Attorney or the Council Attorney draft this. Mrs. Martin replied that it was the Council's Attorney. Council President Milsap asked if there were any other questions or concerns from the Council or the Public; being none, the Ordinance moves to second reading.

The Clerk read by title only on first reading, **AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE ANNUAL SALARIES FOR THE CITY CLERK, MAYOR AND ALL COMMON COUNCIL MEMBERS**, as introduced by Phil Jankowski.

Councilman Jankowski reported to the Council that budget meetings will be scheduled for next week, and that the Mayor or City Controller will be available to answer questions. Council President Milsap asked if the Council had any questions. Mr. Przybylinski requested amendments on third reading which was objected by Mrs. Martin. Being no more questions from the Council and/or Public, the Ordinance moves to second reading.

The Clerk read by title only on first reading, **AN ORDINANCE SETTING SALARIES AND WAGES FOR APPOINTED OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2008**, as introduced by Phil Jankowski.

Councilman Jankowski had no comment. Council President Milsap asked if the Council had any questions or concerns. Mr. Przybylinski requested amendments on third reading which was objected by Mrs. Martin. Being no more questions from the Council and/or Public, the Ordinance moves to second reading.

The Clerk read by title only on first reading, **AN ORDINANCE FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES**, as introduced by Phil Jankowski.

Councilman Jankowski had no comment. Council President Milsap asked if the Council had any questions or concerns. Mr. Przybylinski requested amendments on third reading which was objected by Mrs. Martin. John Schaefer, City Controller reminded the Council that at the next meeting there will be a formal public meeting on hearing the Ordinance. Being no more questions from the Council and/or Public, the Ordinance moves to second reading.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Councilman Jankowski reiterated that Budget Meetings are being scheduled for next week, and if there was anyone who had not scheduled to meet with him they should see him after the meeting. He will notify Council President Milsap promptly on when the meetings have been scheduled.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no New Business.

**COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL**

Councilman Przybylinski offered his condolences to the family of Carla Adams and her son Myles, for their tragic and sudden loss. The City's Clerks Office has lost a very dedicated, good employee.

There were no other Comments from the Council.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Thomas Fedder, City Clerk, echoed Mr. Przybylinski's comments and thanked him for them.

There were no other Comments from the Public.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On Motion by Councilwoman Martin, supported by Councilman Doyle, and there being no further business to transact, President Milsap declared the meeting ADJOURNED (approximately 7:50 pm).

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Thomas F. Fedder, City Clerk  
Michigan City, Indiana