

REGULAR “HYBRID/ZOOM” MEETING

June 21, 2022

The Common Council of the City of Michigan City, Indiana, met in Regular session on Tuesday evening, June 21, 2022, at the hour of 6:30 p.m., Hosted by “Hybrid/Zoom” and streamed live on “My Michigan City” Facebook Page.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Deutch.

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

PRESENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS Bryant Dabney, Sean Fitzpatrick, Michael Mack, Angie Nelson Deutch, Don Przybylinski, Gene Simmons, Dalia Zygas, P. Przybylinski and Tracie Tillman (9).

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS None (0).

President Deutch stated that before we get started there is an amendment that was received before the deadline and needs to be added to the agenda this evening; asking for a motion to amend the agenda adding this resolution and that this proposed resolution will be read in its entirety this evening.

Councilman Simmons made a motion to add the proposed resolution to our agenda this evening reading it in its entirety, second by Councilman D. Przybylinski with the motion being adopted by the following vote: **AYES:** Council members Mack, Deutch, D. Przybylinski, Simmons, Zygas, P. Przybylinski, Tillman, Dabney, and Mack (9) **NAYS:** Council member None (0).

A QUORUM WAS NOTED PRESENT

ALSO, PRESENT: Council Attorney Tramel Raggs, Gale Neulieb City Clerk and Stacy Dudley Asst. Deputy Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Deutch inquired whether there were any deletions, additions, or corrections to the “Hybrid Zoom” Regular meeting held on June 7, 2022, there was no response.

Councilman Gene Simmons made a motion to approve the minutes of the “Hybrid/Zoom”, Regular meeting held on June 7, 2022, a second was made by Councilman P. Przybylinski.

President Deutch asked if there were any comments, there was no response

The Regular Hybrid/Zoom Council meeting held on June 7, 2022 minutes were approved by the following vote: **AYES:** Council members Deutch, D. Przybylinski, Simmons, Zygas, P. Przybylinski, Tillman, Fitzpatrick, Dabney, Mack and (9) **NAYS:** Council member None (0).

REPORTS of STANDING COMMITTEES

President Deutch asked if there were any reports of standing committees, there was no response.

FINANCE REPORT

Councilwoman Tillman reported on the Council Finance Committee meeting that was held this evening, June 21, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber with the June 21, 2022 Riverboat/Boyd claims being reviewed: Fund #2042-Riverboat Claims in the amount of \$33,663.93; Riverboat EFT \$ 4,856,321.00; advising there were no claims from Fund 2031 – Boyd Development or Boyd Developments EFT Fund with the total claims \$4,889,984.93 with a vote of 3 – 0 for approval.

CLAIMS DOCKET

President Deutch stated that the June 21, 2022 claims for the Riverboat Claim Docket Fund #2042 was in the amount of \$33,663.93, Riverboat EFT in the amount of \$4,856,321.00 and no claims from the Boyd fund #2031

Councilwoman Zygus made a motion to approve the June 21, 2022, Riverboat/Boyd Claim Docket in the total amount of \$4,889,984.93, second by Councilman Dabney

June 21, 2022	
Riverboat/Boyd Claim Docket	
Fund #2042 – Riverboat – Claims	\$ 33,663,.93
EFT	\$ 4,856,321.00
Fund #2031 – Boyd – Claims-	\$ 00.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$ 4,889,984.93

President Deutch asked if there were any comments or questions from the Council, there was no response.

The June 21, 2022, Riverboat/Boyd Claim docket in the amount of \$4,889,984.93 was approved by the following vote: **AYES:** Council members D. Przybylinski, Simmons, Zygus, P. Przybylinski, Tillman, Dabney, Fitzpatrick, Mack and Deutch (9) **NAYS:** Council member None (0)

REPORTS OF SPECIAL or SELECT COMMITTEES

President Deutch asked if there were any reports of Special or Select Committees there was no response.

REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR OR OTHER CITY OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS

President Deutch advised that the Council has Ms. Jessica Ward, Airport Director from our Michigan Airport who will be doing a presentation on the updates on the future airport extension runway.

President Deutch asked Ms. Ward if she would send the information, she presented to her electronically.

Discussion ensued between Councilman P. Przybylinski and Ms. Ward regarding the plans for the extension runway being approved by INDOT, what financing they are receiving for the runway extension, along with other financing they are doing to move forward on this project and how large of planes will be able to land on the new runway.

President Deutch asked if there were any other questions or comments from the Council, there was no response, with her thanking Ms. Ward for an informative presentation.

PETITIONS

President Deutch asked Clerk Neulieb if there were any petitions this evening.

Clerk Neulieb advised that there were no petitions this evening.

COMMUNICATIONS

Clerk Neulieb read the following correspondence received in the Clerk's Office.

Correspondence was received in the Clerk's Office on June 2, 2022, from South Bank Legal regarding objections to the June 2, 2022 Sanitation Special Meeting that was held.

Correspondence was received in the Clerk's Office on June 10, 2022, from Attorney Mathew Deputy regarding an appeal filed by his office regarding the Lakeshore Drive Sewer Project

A Tort Claim was received in the Clerk's Office on June 10, 2022, regarding an incident that took place on May 5, 2022

RESOLUTIONS

The Clerk read the following resolution by title only. **A SPECIAL RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 53rd ANNIVERSARY OF THE STONEWALL RIOTS AND THE JUNE CELEBRATION OF PRIDE MONTH**

Introduced by: Dalia Zygas

Councilwoman Zygas read the following resolution in its entirety:

MICHIGAN CITY COMMON COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 4846

A SPECIAL RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 53rd ANNIVERSARY OF THE STONEWALL RIOTS AND THE JUNE CELEBRATION OF PRIDE MONTH

WHEREAS, Pride Month celebrates and honors the LGBTQ+ community who call Indiana home and have made significant contributions to our City and State in every aspect, including in the fields of education, law, health, business, science, research, economic development, architecture, fashion, sports, government, music, film, politics, technology, literature, and civil rights; and

WHEREAS, the LGBTQ+ community has come a great distance towards equality through the efforts of grassroots organizers and nonprofit organizations who have created a groundswell of support and a culture of acceptance; and

WHEREAS, Pride is a celebration of visibility, despite the continued discrimination and dehumanization that many LGBTQ+ people face; and

WHEREAS, Indiana communities have come under attack as our Statehouse has decided to vilify trans children who just want to play sports; and

WHEREAS, we know that attacks on the trans community cost much more than just not getting to play on a high school team. According to a study from the American Academy of Pediatrics, more than half of transgender male teens surveyed, reported attempting suicide in their lifetime, while almost 30% of transgender female teens said they'd attempted suicide. Among non-binary youth, 41.8% of respondents stated that they had attempted suicide at some point in their lives; and

WHEREAS, many LGBTQ+ youth, especially transgender and gender nonconforming individuals experience family rejection, bullying, and harassment, or feel unsafe for simply being who they are—all of which can be added risk factors for suicide; and

WHEREAS, our City prides itself on our diversity and the strength that it brings, we stand today in solidarity with our LGBTQ+ community and all those who believe in equality to say that Michigan City truly does welcome all; and

WHEREAS, we will continue to urge State Legislators to craft legislation that supports our children, like fully funding public schools, funding adequate mental health support for our children and young adults and leveling the playing field by fully funding girls' sports.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE RESOLVE to urge all government entities, community leaders, businesses, schools, and individuals to respect and honor our diverse community, and to build a culture of inclusivity and equity all year long.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after passage by the Michigan City Common Council and approval by the Mayor.

**INTRODUCED BY: /s/ Dalia Zygas, Member
Michigan City Common Council**

President Deutch asked if there were any council members that would like to be added as co-sponsors; Council members Deutch, Simmons, D. Przybylinski, and Dabney asked to be added as co-sponsors.

President Deutch asked if the sponsor had anything to add, there was no response.

President Deutch asked if there were any comments from the public.

Deb Chub, 3620 Birchwood Trail thanked the Council for taking the time to bring this resolution to this council, that she feels very fortunate to live in this very diverse and rich culture here in Michigan City; stating that she wanted to celebrate the Pride Group who put on the successful event this past weekend bringing thousands of people to our community.

Sue Harrison 323 Garrettson Avenue, President of P. Flag and one of the pride committee board members; stating that we truly appreciate the support that we receive from this city and this year's festival was the best we've had since we started three (3) years ago having over 4,300 people.

President Deutch asked if there were any other comments by the public, there was no response; with her thanking this committee for hold this event Saturday.

President Deutch asked if there were any comments from the Council.

Discussion ensued between President Deutch, Councilman P. Przybylinski and Councilwoman Zygus regarding some of the language in the proposed resolution about the statistics regarding suicide, comments from the Indiana legislators and the American Pediatric Academy.

Esther Files, 713 Indiana Avenue, Vice President of P. Flag addressed a few of Councilman P. Przybylinski' concerns about the language in the last "Whereas" of the proposed resolution; stating that there are many studies that show higher suicide, and attempts among the Lgbtq community, specifically due to the lack of belonging out there.

Councilman D. Przybylinski stated that this is a fantastic resolution, and Lgbtq portion of our society, that all races are human beings and that we should treat each other with respect as human beings not what your sexuality is or you know, what your feelings are; just simply be who you are and respect every human being the same you want to be treated.

President Deutch stated that the P. Flag event was a wonderful event that there were so many families with their children, and the vendors that were out there did a great job and it was also nice to see the Mental Health Club from the High School had a booth.

Councilman D. Przybylinski made a motion to approve the proposed resolution, second by Councilman Dabney with the resolution being approved by the following: **AYES:** Council members Simmons, Zygus, P. Przybylinski, Tillman, Dabney, Fitzpatrick Mack, Deutch, and D. Przybylinski (9) **NAYS:** Council member None (0)

Councilman P. Przybylinski asked if we are going to talk about one of our Federal or State legislator if the sponsor wants to make a point, to have the facts and data in front of them to support the language in a document you are bring to the council.

President Deutch advised that we were out of order asking if Councilman Dabney had something to comment.

Councilman Dabney read the last WHEREAS in its entirety:

WHEREAS, we will continue to urge State Legislators to craft legislation that supports our children, like fully funding public schools, funding adequate mental health support for our children and young adults and leveling the playing field by fully funding girls' sports.

President Deutch stated that this resolution has passed, and we are moving on.

Clerk Neulieb read the following resolution by title only.

MICHIGAN CITY COMMON COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 4847

APPROVING SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FOR GRANTS FOR THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY FROM THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION AND BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW GRANTS FOR 2022 – 2026 CYCLES & SUPPORTING THE LOCAL MATCH FOR SAID GRANT

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sec. 2-236 of the Michigan City Municipal Code, the Michigan City Common Council must pre-approve all grant applications requiring a local match; and

WHEREAS, the City of Michigan City intends to submit a grant application seeking funding through the Federal Aviation Administration for continued improvements to the Michigan City Municipal Airport; and

WHEREAS, the City of Michigan City is requesting a commitment to match 5% - 10% of the project cost that is estimated to be \$50,000 total over the four years and assurance the funds will be committed to this project, available, and unencumbered; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sec. 2-236, the City Controller has provided the following information pertaining to the Grant:

1. **Name of grantor and grant title:** FAA Airport Improvement Program grant cycle 2022 – 2026 and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law grant cycle 2022-2026.
2. **Why it is beneficial to the City to apply for this grant:** These grants will allow for improvements to the Airport and allow for further development.
3. **The purpose of the grant and the proposed use of grant funds:** These grants will be used for improvements to the Airport and allow for further development.
4. **The person who will be responsible for managing the grant for the City:** Jessica Ward through Butler, Fairman & Seufert.
5. **All relevant time frames and schedule, including any deadlines for submitting the application and closing out the grant:** These grants are on a short timeline from the announcement to submittal, therefore we are asking for matching funds for multiple years, 2022 through 2026. The match for each of the five (5) years will be approximately \$10,000.
6. **The amount of any required or proposed City monetary match or voluntary contribution and the proposed source for the matching funds and contributions:** The matching funds already exist from past matching funds from prior years' budgets. There is approximately \$300,000 available in the grant fund for Airport Improvement Grants (AIP). These funds were appropriated several years ago for engineering of the runway extension. These expenses were eligible for 80% reimbursement from future grants. The remaining funds will be reserved for the grant match for the actual construction of the runway extension, estimated to begin in 2027.
7. **The description of the types and sources of any in-kind match or contribution:** NA
8. **Whether the Controller wishes to have a new, separate fund created for the grant:** No, the Controller does not wish to have a new, separate fund created for the Grant. A separate grant fund has previously been established and this Grant will run through that existing fund.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA COMMON COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

1. The aforementioned "Whereas" sections are incorporated herein as if fully set forth herein.
2. The Michigan City Common Council approves the submission of the Federal Aviation Administration Grants, any Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Grants and supports and commits funding the local match for said Grant.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after passage by the Michigan City Common Council and approval by the Mayor.

INTRODUCED BY: /s/ Gene Simmons, Member
Michigan City Common Council

President Deutch asked if the sponsor had anything to add.

Councilman Simmons stated that this is the grant that Jessica from the airport was talking about that 5% of a project for the expansion project.

President Deutch asked if there were any comments from the public, there was no response.

President Deutch asked if there were any comments from the Council at this time.

Councilman Tilman questioned about Ms. Wards presentation she just did; asking if the 5% matching funds are from the State or are we looking at an estimate of \$400,000; with President Deutch advising that the \$400,000 is the rolling amount from year to year.

Councilman P. Przybylinski made a motion to adopt the proposed resolution, second by Councilwoman Tillman.

The proposed resolution was approved by the following vote: **AYES:** Council members P. Przybylinski, Tillman, Dabney, Fitzpatrick Mack, Deutch, D. Przybylinski, Simmons and Zygas (9) **NAYS:** Council member None (0)

ORDINANCE

The Clerk read the following ordinance on first reading by title only. **AMENDING ORDINANCE, NO 4598 COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE 2022 SALARY ORDINANCE” TO INCREASE THE ANNUAL SALARY FOR THE DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF POSITION**

Introduced by: Bryant Dabney

President Deutch asked if the sponsor had anything to add.

Councilman Dabney asked Chief Legault from the Michigan City Fire Department to explain why this salary needs to be changed.

President Deutch asked if there were any comments from the public, there was no response.

President Deutch asked if there were any comments from the Council.

Councilman Fitzpatrick asked to be a co-sponsor to this ordinance.

Councilman Fitzpatrick advised that he is in full support of this ordinance; stating this was one of the reasons that he asked this position to be removed from the ordinance with all the salary increases that were brought to the council last month; that he wanted to get this corrected as soon as possible.

Councilman D. Przybylinski agreed with Councilman Fitzpatrick's comments and that he will be supporting this ordinance as well.

President Deutch asked if there were any additional comments from the Council.

Councilwoman Tillman requested to be a co-sponsor as well; stating that she is glad that his is finally come forth thanking Councilman Dabney for putting this ordinance together.

Councilman Simmons also asked to be added to the proposed ordinance as a co-sponsor.

President Deutch asked to be added as a sponsor too.

Chief Legault advised Councilman P. Przybylinski that this proposal is for his two (2) deputy chiefs

Chief Legault advised the timeframe of the 2022 Salary Ordinance was adopted in October before the MCFD contract not being approved until the end of last year with the language in their contract changing the Battalion Chiefs pay more than his two (2) Deputy Chiefs which needed to be changed.

President Deutch asked if there were any other comments or questions on the proposed ordinance on first reading, there being none the proposed ordinance will be held over on second reading at our July 5, 2022 Council meeting.

The Clerk read the following proposed ordinance on first reading by title only.

AMENDING SEC. 102-46 IN THE MICHIGAN CITY MUNICIPAL CODE KNOWN AS THE "ARBORIST LICENSE" TO AMEND THE LICENSE APPLICATION & RELATED PROCEDURES

Introduced by: Gene Simmons
Don Przybylinski
Angie Nelson Deutch

President Deutch asked there were any comments from the sponsors.

Councilman Simmons stated when talking to the City Attorney there are more safeguards being proposed; advising that the City has had incidents that couldn't be addressed do to not having the language to address the issues these companies were doing.

Councilman D. Przybylinski advised that we are trying to tighten up the City's regulation/laws that need to be followed to address issues that companies need to be following when operating their business in neighborhoods within our city limits.

President Deutch asked if there were any comments from the public, there was no response.

President Deutch asked if the Council had any questions or comments, there was none; stating that the proposed ordinance will be held over on second reading at our July 5th council meeting.

The Clerk read the following proposed ordinance on second reading by title only.

APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION IN THE BUDGET OF THE ARP CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND FOR HIGHWAY- RAIL GRADE CROSSING IMPROVEMENTS TO ESTABLISH QUIET ZONES ON THE SOUTH SHORE LINE OWNED AND OPERATED BY THE NORTHERN INDIANA COMMUTTER TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT

Introduced by: Angie Nelson Deutch
Bryant Dabney
Gene Simmons
Tracie Tillman
Don Przybylinski

(DECREASE ARP Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund 0176 Unappropriated balance \$1,000,000.00 INCREASE ACCOUNT #0176 000 444.050 \$1,000,000.00 Improvement Other than Buildings – Other)

President Deutch advised that the formal public hearing for the proposed ordinance was advertised in the Herald Dispatch and that there will be a formal public hearing this evening.

President Deutch asked if any of the sponsors had anything to add, there was no response.

President Deutch asked if there were any comments from the public at this time.

Ernie Hullahan, 302 Gladys Street, questioned if this study is going to cover the Roeske Avenue crossing, that they lay on the horn when going across, stopping and dropping items off at the factory there.

Discussion ensued between Mr. Hullahan and Council members D. Przybylinski, Simmons and President Deutch addressing holding up traffic there and if that freight train is even the South Shores.

President Deutch opened the formal public hearing (repeating three times) "is there anyone from the public that wished to speak at this time regarding the proposed ordinance," there was no response with the hearing being closed.

Councilman P. Przybylinski stated the tracks going to the GFS Company has nothing to do with the South Shore tracks and the quiet zone being proposed

President Deutch asked if there are any comments from the Council, there being none; stating this proposed ordinance will be held over on third reading at our July 5, 2022 Council meeting.

The Clerk read the following proposed ordinance on second reading by title only.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA, APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SEPARATE SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES BY THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA, SANITARY DISTRICT FOR OWNERS OF PROPERTY AND USERS LOCATED IN A PORTION OF THE TOWN OF LONG BEACH, INDIANA, PREVIOUSLY INCORPORATED IN THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA, SANITARY DISTRICT

Introduced by: Bryant Dabney
Dalia Zygas
Don Przybylinski

NOTE: This ordinance was TABLED on second reading at the June 7, 2022 Council meeting until the June 21, 2022 Council meeting

Councilman D. Przybylinski made a motion to amend the proposed ordinance by substitution to read as follows:

MICHIGAN CITY COMMON COUNCIL

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA, APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SEPARATE SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES BY THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA, SANITARY DISTRICT FOR OWNERS OF PROPERTY AND USERS LOCATED IN A PORTION OF THE TOWN OF LONG BEACH, INDIANA, PREVIOUSLY INCORPORATED INTO THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA, SANITARY DISTRICT

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 36-9-25, as amended (the “Act”), the Board of Commissioners (the “Board”), governing body of the Sanitary District (the “District”) of the City of Hobart, Indiana (the “City”), has heretofore established, constructed and financed its sewage works (the “Sewage Works”), and now owns and operates said Sewage Works pursuant to the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Long Beach, Indiana (the “Town”) previously adopted Resolution No. 2020-005 on June 30, 2020, requesting that a portion of the Town, generally located along the north and south side of Lake Shore Drive in the Town and consisting of approximately 330 properties, be incorporated into the District (the “Town of Long Beach Project Area”) for purposes of the District undertaking a project to provide sewage treatment services to the Town of Long Beach Project Area to alleviate failing septic issues in the Town of Long Beach Project Area; and

WHEREAS, the Board adopted Resolution No. 1424-20 on August 26, 2020, determining pursuant to Indiana Code 36-9-25-14(b) to incorporate the Town of Long Beach Project Area in the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board has been considering (i) the installation of approximately 12,500 lineal feet of 8-inch, 10-inch, and 12-inch diameter gravity flow sanitary sewer and associated manholes, and public side laterals; (ii) installation of three (3) new wastewater lift stations (West, Middle, and East) and associated force main; (iii) capacity improvements to the existing Shoreland Hills Lift Station; (iv) installation of a parallel force main from Shoreland Hills; and (v) associated restoration including pavement replacement and site restoration, and other related and necessary improvements to provide for the collection and transporting of wastewater generated in the Town of Long Beach Project Area (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Board expects the costs of the Project will be funded by special revenue bonds issued by the District evidencing a loan the District expects to receive from the State Revolving Fund loan program (the “SRF Bonds”) which SRF Bonds would be payable solely from revenues received by the District from the owners of properties and users located in the Town of Long Beach Project Area; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to establish a schedule of rates and charges necessary to provide sufficient revenues to pay the principal of and interest on the SRF Bonds issued by the District to pay the costs related to the completion of the Project and the issuance of said SRF Bonds and the operation and maintenance expenses related to providing sewage services to the Town of Long Beach Project Area; and

WHEREAS, the Board directed its municipal advisor, Cender Dalton Municipal Advisors (the “Municipal Advisor”), to complete a rate report determining the rates and charges necessary for such purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Advisor prepared and submitted a rate report (the “Original Rate Report”) to the Board which set forth the recommended rates and charges to be collected from the owners of property in the Town of Long Beach Project Area sufficient to pay the debt payments and expenses described above; and

WHEREAS, following receipt of the Original Rate Report, the Board determined it was necessary to adopt the schedule of rates and charges set forth in the Original Rate Report (the “Original Rates and Charges”) for the Town of Long Beach Project Area which were sufficient to pay operation and maintenance expenses related to providing sewage services to the Town of Long Beach Project Area (the rates and charges for such purpose being the “Operation and Maintenance Charge”) and serve as the sole source of revenues (the rates and charges for such purpose being the “Local Capital Charge”) to pay the principal of and interest on the SRF Bonds which may be issued to pay the costs related to the completion of the Project, capitalized interest on the SRF Bonds, and the issuance of said SRF Bonds (collectively, the “Project Costs”); and

WHEREAS, the Operation and Maintenance Charge for the Town of Long Beach Project Area will be the same monthly sewer charges for current users located outside of the City of Michigan City as set forth in Ordinance No. 4212 adopted by the Common Council on December 13, 2012 (“Ordinance No. 4212”), as the same may be amended from time to time and which are set forth at Exhibit A for reference; and

WHEREAS, the Board, at a meeting on May 11, 2022, proposed the Original Rates and Charges, scheduled a public hearing on said Original Rates and Charges, authorized the publication of a notice of public hearing on said Original Rates and Charges, and the Secretary of the Board caused notice of a public hearing on the Original Rates and Charges to be published as required by the Act and Indiana Code 5-3-1 (the "Notice"); and

WHEREAS, the Board duly conducted said public hearing on May 25, 2022 at which owners of property and users to be served by the Project and any other interested persons were given the opportunity to be heard concerning the Original Rates and Charges described herein; and

WHEREAS, since the time of the public hearing, the Board was informed that the Indiana Finance Authority has agreed to (i) provide a forgivable loan in the amount of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) to assist with paying the costs of the Project (the "Forgivable Loan") and (ii) reduce the interest rate on the SRF Bonds from 2.3 % to 2.0%; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the Forgivable Loan and reduced interest rate, the Municipal Advisor revised the Original Rate Report to reflect the reduction of the Local Capital Charge amount necessary to pay the principal of and interest on the SRF Bonds necessary to fund the Project Costs as a result of the IFA agreeing to provide the Forgivable Loan and reducing the interest rate on the SRF Bonds and submitted the revised rate report to the Board at its meeting held on June 14, 2022 (the "Revised Rate Report"); and

WHEREAS, the Revised Rate Report reflects the Local Capital Charge being reduced by \$70.55 from the \$248.00 amount shown in the Original Rate Report and the Notice to the \$177.45 amount shown in the Revised Rate Report (the "Reduced Local Capital Charge" and with the Operation and Maintenance Charge, the "Rates and Charges"); and

WHEREAS, following the public hearing held on May 25, 2022, and receipt of the Revised Rate Report containing the Reduced Local Capital Charge, the Board adopted Resolution No. 1454-22 (the "Rate Resolution") on June 14, 2022, (i) finding the Rates and Charges to be just and equitable to pay for the operation, maintenance, and administrative expenses related to providing sewage services to the Town of Long Beach Project Area and to pay the principal of and interest on the SRF Bonds as they become due and payable and (ii) adopting and approving the Rates and Charges pursuant to Section 11(c) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Rate Resolution further recommended to the Common Council of the City (the "Common Council") that it consider and adopt an ordinance adopting and approving such Rates and Charges; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council desires to approve said Rates and Charges, pursuant to Section 11(c) of the Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA THAT:

1. All of the stated "WHEREAS" clauses are incorporated herein by reference.
2. The Common Council hereby finds that the Rates and Charges, as approved by the Board, are just and equitable, and further finds that the Project will serve the public purpose of the City by reducing pollution into Lake Michigan and is in the best interests of its residents and the residents of the Town of Long Beach Project Area.
3. The Common Council hereby approves said Rates and Charges, as approved by the Board, in substantially the form provided at this meeting and attached hereto as Exhibit A. The Operation and Maintenance Charge shall be the same monthly sewer charges for current users located outside the City of Michigan City as set forth in Ordinance No. 4212, as the same may be amended from time to time and which are set forth at Exhibit A for reference.
4. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after passage by the Common Council and upon compliance with the procedures required by law.

Adopted at a meeting of the Common Council of the City of Michigan City, Indiana, held on this _____ day of _____, 2022.

President Deutch advised that we have a motion on the floor to amend by substitution, second by Council Woman Zygas

Discussion ensued regarding Councilman D. Przybylinski' amendment between Clerk Neulieb, Councilman D. Przybylinski and President Deutch.

President Deutch advised that what Councilman D. Przybylinski is stating is amending is the main domain for the most part which is the interest rate and amount of dollars; and that there were other amendments in the document substituting the ordinance with him hitting the main items that specifically is impacting the ordinance.

The amended Ordinance by substitution was approved by the following vote: **AYES:** Council members Tillman, Dabney, Fitzpatrick Mack, Deutch, D. Przybylinski, Simmons, Zygas, (8) **NAYS:** Council member P. Przybylinski (1)

The Clerk read the following amended proposed ordinance on second reading by title only. **AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA, APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SEPARATE SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES BY THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA, SANITARY DISTRICT FOR OWNERS OF PROPERTY AND USERS LOCATED IN A PORTION OF THE TOWN OF LONG BEACH, INDIANA, PREVIOUSLY INCORPORATED IN THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA, SANITARY DISTRICT**

Introduced by: Bryant Dabney
Dalia Zygas
Don Przybylinski

President Deutch asked if the sponsors had anything to add at this time, there was no response.

President Deutch asked if there were any comments from the public asking to state your name and address; and that you will have three (3) minutes to speak.

Susan 2537 Dziak- Lake Shore Drive commented on Councilman Don Przybylinski stated that we are God's children and that she was a teacher for many years and there was no hate in her classroom, just love; commenting then on many reasons why she is against the Long Beach Sewer Project.

Attorney Jim Meyer, representing the Michigan City Sanitary District commented on the two (2) million dollars that it is a forgivable loan after five (5) years it is required that all people that can be served by the sewer has to connect; advising that one important thing is the result of that two (2) million dollar grant is that the capital charge that was \$248 per month when they first started is now down to \$177.00 with these documents being sent to the Clerk's Office and was forwarded to each of you for review.

President Deutch stated that she would allow anyone from the Council that had any question for Attorney Meyer that they could ask them now

Attorney Meyer advised that the financial consultants are also present to answer any questions.

Discussion ensued between Attorney Jim Mayer and Council members P. Przybylinski about the anticipated two (2) million dollars received, the monthly fee will be lowered to \$143.00, information about the five-year mandate to connect to the sewers within that timeframe.

Brian Gross, 830 W. 6th Street, addressed the council commented about "ecoli" and what effects it to rise in Lake Michigan that it isn't from wells or septic systems from Long Beach; asking that the city needs to get all city residents sewer systems before we go out of the city limits to our neighbors.

The following resident of the Town of Long Beach addressed our council with their pros and cons regarding the proposed sewer project: Bob Lemay, 201 Oakenwald Dr. President of the Town of Long Beach Board, Robert Roule 2901 Lake Shore Drive, Annie Malone 2957 Lake Shore Drive, Tim Anderson 2961 Lake Shore Drive, Carter Elenz 2721 Lake Shore Drive,

Jim Mauer Engineer for Haas and Associates stated that he wanted to correct the statement regarding the hiding of the cost for the pavement removal and placement on Lake Shore Drive advising under the itemized bid form under alternative "C" there are four (4) items that comprise the pavement, removal and replacement stating again that this was not hidden in the bid.

President Deutch asked if there were any other residents that wanted to comment on the proposed sewer project: with Pat Clifford 2216 Lake Shore Drive, Dr. Stephanos Rizos 2915 Lake Shore Drive, Richard Dziak 2537 Lake Shore Drive, John Burke 1703 Lake Shore Drive, Ed Gausselin 2939 Lake Shore Drive, Greg Meyer 2221 Lake Shore Drive and Claudia Marciniak 2827 Lake Shore Drive commented on their pros and cons.

President Deutch asked to begin Council questions asked what happens after the five years, when someone is not compliant and what happens if this proposed ordinance isn't passed this evening.

Attorney Meyer representing the Michigan City Sanitary District; asked Carl Cender Financial Advisor to address these questions; Mr. Cender advised the state came up with the two (2) million dollars giving the residents five (5) years for both side residents to connect to the new sewers, if they not connect all connect the grant becomes a regular loan and then the rates will have to be increased; and that there is no penalty it would be a 2% interest rate.

President Deutch asked if the Council had any comments and questions.

Councilman Fitzpatrick advised that he would not be supporting this; that this is not a project for our city but issues that the Town of Long Beach should be addressing unless they want to annex into the city of Michigan City; commenting on how he grew up in another city and state and now living here for so many years; I'm a Hoosier and a Michigan City resident.

Mr. Cender agreed with Councilman D. Przybylinski question that the two (2) million dollar grant the State is proposing does pass and if everyone doesn't hook up to this sewer project by the end of five (5) years the grant will then turn into a revolving loan with a 2% interest rate and the rate they are proposing this evening will be raised to \$247.00 per month.

Discussion ensued between Councilman P. Przybylinski and Bob Lemay advised Councilman P. Przybylinski that he is the President of the board of the Town of Long Beach for six (6) years, with a comprehensive plan that they finished six (6) years ago with this project being the high priorities, stating that there were little negotiations with the Sanitary District Supervisor Michael Kuss with the Sanitary District's Attorney Jim Meyer was primarily person involved along with the Sanitary Board.

Councilman P. Przybylinski asked the other Council members to bear with him when finishing his discussion with Mr. LeMay

Discussion ensued with Councilman P. Przybylinski and Mr. Lemay regarding when the conversation about this sewer project start, who was the main lead when negotiations started between the Town of Long Beach and the Michigan City Sanitary District, if Michael Kuss was involved in the negotiations, if Mr. Lemay changed the building code or approve appeals, the footage for how far away a septic could be place was changed from 200 feet to 50 feet with that being done by the state, was hardship given when a permit was applied for to do any construction of seawalls involved now or in the future

(change the rules), were some residents able to over build on their land (with 35% of the lot the max), restrictions put in the proposed sewer construction project bids that it could only do it during the off season and not during the summer, and how many bids were received.

Councilman Mack stated that infrastructure is always necessary in a city commenting on Mr. Elenz, Long Beach comments because we're being asked as Council members to come to our own conclusions primarily through arguments of equity amongst the highest real estate valuation in Northwest Indiana, with that question being asked is the frustrating stems from what Mr. Elenz statement; if you would notice we have several Michigan City residents in this room sitting here politely waiting to speak about issues such as gun shots fired, drugs, homicides in their neighbors and what this council could do to help them and their neighbors, a place where he grew up; stating that this council will hear there topic when they come up stating that their topic should have been brought forth and would have had public comment at the beginning of the meeting.

President Deutch asked if there were any other comments on the proposed ordinance.

Attorney Meyer stated that someone asked earlier if there was a deadline and if it isn't adopted what is the next step advising that if the financing is closed and completed by the end of July the two (2) million-dollar grant is gone and that the Indiana Finance Representatives that there will be no opportunity for grant money and in addition there will be no SRF money until the fiscal year 2024 and we will also loose the bid price.

President Deutch asked if there were any additional comments from the Council.

President Deutch stated as she stated at the last meeting that civil discourse is important, and idle threats are not warranted for anything, everyone that is present today and at the last meeting are neighbors and realizes this is a financial topic and matter, but that should never be tolerated; then you have people that argue, throw darts make unwelcome comments, and especially to us as the council; stating to the Town of Long Beach to annex Lake Shore Drive into Michigan City, we will take the revenue and get this project paid for or why not assess the entire town to help the people with pump and hall.

Councilman Fitzpatrick made a motion to suspend the rules and have third reading this evening, second by Councilwoman Tillman with the motion being approved by the following vote: **AYES:** Council members Dabney, Fitzpatrick, Deutch, D. Przybylinski, Simmons, P. Przybylinski and Zygas, (8) **NAYS:** Council member Mack (1)

The Clerk read the following amended proposed ordinance on third reading by title only.
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA, APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SEPARATE SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES BY THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA, SANITARY DISTRICT FOR OWNERS OF PROPERTY AND USERS LOCATED IN A PORTION OF THE TOWN OF LONG BEACH, INDIANA, PREVIOUSLY INCORPORATED IN THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA, SANITARY DISTRICT

Introduced by: Bryant Dabney
Dalia Zygas
Don Przybylinski

President Deutch asked if there were any comments from any of the sponsors.

Councilwoman Zygas commented that the sewer project is too big of job for the Town of Long Beach and that maybe considering annexing into the City of Michigan City is something to think about and that this project is not going to be cheaper in the future due construction costs and interest rates are both going up.

Councilman Dabney stated that if anyone has been watching this Council meeting has seen that the Town of Long Beach annexing into the City of Michigan City as he sees it would be a great then the entire town could get the sewer project done, we would collect the property tax you would become part of the city and you would have police services, fire services, refuse, everything, welcome to Michigan City.

Councilman Dabney commented that it was hard to understand that so many of the residents of the Town of Long Beach didn't know that this project was being negotiated for the last five (5) years was hard to believe.

Someone spoke out with Councilman D. Przybylinski calling a "Point of Order" stating that if there is one more outburst from anyone that the meeting will adjourn.

Councilman D. Przybylinski advised that he has listened to both sides in this issue that was brought to us this last month and half being the liaison of the Council's for the Sanitary District; stating that it doesn't necessarily mean that I agree with everything that is going on with this proposed project, not sure how the information regarding this project was disseminated to the residents and citizens in the Town of Long Beach when they first started negotiation three (3) years ago and to date have not seen any evidence this is a dire emergency that needs to be done immediately accept that if it isn't done by the end of July the money be gone.

Councilman D. Przybylinski advised that the city has so many sewer projects all over our city that haven't gotten done yet; that our own Sanitary District can spend three (3) years of negotiating with the Town of Long Beach, but we're not getting things done in our own city and that he doesn't feel right about what has gone on.

President Deutch asked if there were any other comments from the public.

Brian Gross, 830 West 6th Street stated that if you are looking at \$20,000 a home to connect to the proposed sewers and there is 400 properties that is 20 million dollars; also commenting on what was mentioned that a lot of nonresidents aren't represented here this evening which isn't unusual for people that are seasonal residents

President Deutch asked if there were any comments from the Council.

Councilman Simmons stated that he is sitting here waiting water and sewage out to the annexation in his ward; Councilman Fitzpatrick is waiting for water and sewage at an annexation in his ward and that he is sure they both agree lets take care of Michigan City first; we're looking at economic development in these new annexations, with him wondering how's all this going to be done; stating his vote "NO".

Councilman P. Przybylinski stated that he has to agree with a lot of things that have been said about the area that he represents, and he is also waiting on projects that need to be done in his ward also and have been waiting for seventeen years to get his sewer project done and they are still paying on the bond for the work they never finished to date.

Councilwoman Dalia Zygus commented on the statements that were made that the people living on the south side of Lake Shore Drive that their septic's are fine, but the fact of the matter is all septic's fail and that she hope you don't regret your decision to oppose this when all of a sudden it's your septic system that doesn't have the room to move to another place on your property.

Councilman D. Przybylinski made a motion to approve, second by Councilwoman Tillman the proposed ordinance was not approved by the following vote: **AYES:** Council members Zygus and Dabney (2) **NAYS:** Council members Fitzpatrick, Mack, Deutch, D. Przybylinski, Simmons, P. Przybylinski, and Tillman (7)

President Deutch advised the ordinance failed.

NEW BUSINESS

President Deutch advised that there was no new business this evening.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NOMINATIONS: President Deutch advised the Council has the following appointments to the Commission of the Social Status of African American Males (term expired 2/15/22)

Incumbents:

Ms. Albertine Allen – Minority Health Partners of LaPorte County
(resigned)

Dr. Wendall McCollum- MCAS

President Deutch advised that Councilwoman Tillman is working with Attorney Harris on amending the ordinance and filling these positions.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

President Deutch asked if there were any comments from the public at this time; asking Ms. Williams and Ms. Willis to be the first to speak since they have waited so patiently through this long meeting.

Wendy Willis 201 School Street and Patricia Williams 407 Walker Street addressed the Council regarding the following letter they present to the Council:

Over the last year or so, it seems as if our neighborhood has been plagued GRE? More gunfire, motor vehicle accidents due to cars speaking up and down our streets, with no adherence to the posted stop signs, home invasions, and just higher incidents of overall criminal activity.

According to the Indiana Economic Digest, dated February of 2022, from which the following excerpt was taken, Police Chief Dion Campbell is looking to implement some strategies as “solutions” to some of the issues faced in our community, but because of manpower issues, he can’t do so until they have the hires to put these actions to work

Council members received a detailed report on areas with high call volumes, including the Eastport, Elston Grove and Westside neighborhoods, Walmart, Lighthouse Place, Meijer and Washington Park.

"A lot of these statistics will drive what we do in the future," Campbell said.

"One of the things that tells me, first of all, is that we're short of manpower," he said. When he joined the department, it had 100 officers. That's now down to 73. Two officers were recently hired away by Chesterton.

"We really need to hire quality officers and maintain quality officers. Getting us to a quality wage is necessary," Campbell said.

Traffic operations need to be beefed up, including the ability to saturate areas where there's a high number of incidents. "That's one of the things we're looking to build as soon as our numbers increase," he said.

The detective division is his other primary focus. "That's why we're aggressively looking to hire."

"We're a street hawk unit" to provide targeted enforcement on guns and violent crimes, he said.

"We're going to put that unit together as soon as we get our numbers up to where we need them to be." "I think the MCPD is in a great place," he said. "It's just getting us to that competitive wage."

Campbell wants the police department to be community-oriented.

"I believe we have to implement things now and not have the future arrive not prepared," he said. "There's no blaming anyone. I think it's a great time, a great position for us to work together." Councilman Gene Simmons, D-6th, is a former police chief. "You have to have more officers in order to be proactive," he said. "That's a key component, being out there in the community and doing more initiatives."

Councilman Bryant Dabney, D-1st, said the city should consider using American Rescue Plan Act funds to subsidize Ring doorbell systems in exchange for being able to see the video and get leads on shootings. Shot spotter technology should also be considered, he said.

These strategies are viable solutions to the issues we face as a community, but who knows how long we need to wait before they can get the bodies they need on the force to implement them? Our councilman, Bryant Dabney, who we used to depend on to be the voice for our community, for reasons unknown, has been woefully absent and we must, as concerned citizens, parents, caregivers for our elderly, etc. take matters into our own hands and make our voices heard!

We are asking for your support in signing the attached petition to demand the support and cooperation of the Michigan City Police Department and the City Council for the tools we need to police and improve our community.

Here is a list of the things that we feel are needed to get started and please all insight, feedback, ideas and of course, support is welcome!

1. Streetlights where there are none. This issue was discussed when Mr. Dabney was conducting regular monthly meetings with the Eastport residents. This should act as a deterrent for criminal activity.
2. Since speed bumps can't be installed, possibly cameras installed strategically in those areas that report the highest incidents of traffic accidents, or if not cameras, speed enforcement signs.
3. As Mr. Dabney pointed out, some of the American Rescue Plan Act funds could be used to subsidize Ring security systems in certain areas to augment police efforts.
4. Fully train add support neighborhood watch grassroots efforts, including maintaining anonymity for any whistleblowers.

Ms. Willis advised that the reason they are here tonight is not to try and solve everything that is going on in the community, but simply express a sense of urgency to shed some more light on what is going on and try to address some of these issues our own way, stating that they don't want to wait until something happens with this coming here is a start and that they have some of their neighbors present to speak to the council this evening as well to give an idea about what is happening and what the Eastport Neighborhood is dealing with on a daily basis.

The following neighbors addressed the council: Mr. and Mrs. Harris 220 Case Street; Bob Drake 215 Vail Street, Anne Mack 312 Holiday Street, Angela Carter, 320 Springland Avenue with gunfire, amended homes, squatters, burglaries, vehicles speeding, more accidents, homicides, kids fighting in the streets, drugs, noise, and no one returning telephone calls.

Tommy Kulavik, 1316 Ohio Street asked that Mayor Parry step down as a member of the Michigan City Board of Public Works and Safety Board that the city hasn't had one

demolition since he took office that there are so many vacant homes that are either boarded up or in need of repair for them to be habitable.

Mr. Kulavik congratulated the class of "2022" graduates from Marquette High School and Michigan City High School as well.

Brian Gross, 830 West 6th Street stated that this Council should put "City" business on the agenda first before addressing other communities' matters; advising different departments that can help citizens who have issues with neighbors having long grass, dog/cat issues, rodents, etc.

Ernie Hullahan, 302 Gladys Street, stated that he feels what these residents are saying the Eastport Neighborhood regarding people breaking into houses, gunfire, violence, etc.; thanking Councilwoman Zygas for bringing the pride ordinance to the council.

Pat Williams, 440 Walker Street stated that the neighbors that addressed the Council were from the Eastport neighborhood and that there are so many more neighbors who would have liked to attend and that she has a petition with over sixty (60) signatures that she is going to turn into the Clerk's Office for the next Council meeting asking for their support.

President Deutch encouraged Ms. Williams to bring their petition in so it can be on the next agenda.

President Deutch asked if there were any additional comments.

Chevy Woodard (on "ZOOM") 7401 W. U.S. Highway 20 commented on the inserts that are put in the water bills once a year letting the citizens know how to contact different city departments; and that she was disappointed that the city didn't have enough enrollment for the city's summer camp, there has to be other resources besides the water bills inserts to let the community know what is happening within the city government; also asking the council to be more pro-active bringing water/sewage to the City's outlying areas.

COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL

President Deutch asked if there were any comments from the council.

Councilman Dabney stated that listening to the concerns of the people talking about the Eastport neighborhood and that he lives in this area as well; and that we have talked and that we want to get the concerned neighbors in front of Chief Campbell to talk about things that he's working on and he just got this information that the meeting will be on Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the MCPD station in the Community Room to talk about the concerns and talk about some of the things he's planning.

Councilman Dabney commented on the conversations he had with some of the concerned neighbors advising their meetings he is having addressing different systems we talked about and need to discuss with the chief, also the issues that code enforcement can address as well as the police; that safety is our biggest issue right now in terms of what's happening.

Wendy Willis, 201 School Street asked Councilman Dabney if there was any way he could communicate with them regarding what he is working on so they can know what avenues they need to move forward without duplicating what he is doing.

Councilman Dabney stated that he is going to be President of the Eastport Neighborhood Association and will be bringing back the monthly meetings asking for any email that would like to be on the associations list to let him know.

Councilman Simmons asked Mike Vinson Vice President of the Board of Public Works and Safety regarding the addressing abandon homes within the city.

Mike Vinson, Vice President of the Board of Public Works and Safety Board advising Councilman Simmons that the board hasn't addressed any abandon homes through the board since he has been on the board; stating the only thing he has heard at any of their meeting was from Mr. Kulavik's comments asking abandon homes to be addressed.

Councilman Simmons stated that there should be a compiled list of abandon homes and homes that need to be demolished from the Planning/Inspection Department so the board members know what they are going to be doing and when they will be moving forward on them.

Mr. Vinson advised that the Board of Works members had a short meeting with the Code Enforcement after the last BOW meeting on June 21st and was advised that they are short several code inspectors' positions (4) and don't have the manpower or the ability to go around the city to do inspections and is not an excuse for him.

Mr. Vinson stated that he doesn't feel that a resident of Michigan City should have the need to come to Council meeting for their concerns to heard to move forward; that if anyone comes to a Council member or a board member outside of a meeting we should move forward and address that matter; they don't know where to go or who to contact within the city and that is why you were elected and I took the position on the BOW's challenging all of us to step forward and help our residents.

Councilwoman Tillman acknowledged Juneteenth that was on June 19th and wished a belated Father's day to all and also for Fly High Youth CEO and proprietors of Mr. Kenny Fly of this organization for his third annual Father's Day three (3) on three (3) basketball at the Michigan City Water Tower Park with a tremendous turnout and look forward to seeing what he's going to bring forth for next year.

Councilwoman Tillman commented on the adoption of LGBT resolution this evening asking the administration that June 19th observing Juneteenth not be comingled into that day.

Councilman Mack thanked everyone that came out this evening from the Eastport neighborhood Association for these conversations regarding the issues they are having in their neighborhoods; stating that he is glad that we are going to have a meeting for the neighborhood association at the police station with chief on Tuesday.

Councilman P. Przybylinski thanked the Eastport Association for their comments, that this not only going on in their area but is happening throughout our city and it is a real problem and is tired of hearing excuses, that we don't have enough people we are supposed to be a team and it takes a team effort to get things accomplished.

Councilman P. Przybylinski commented that when he was on the Council before he suggested that a workbook be compiled that has all the codes in it so when a police officer or a code enforcement officer writes a ticket, they can write the code number down so whoever is getting that ticket will know what to do to address the violation; and that he feels that still needs to be done.

Councilwoman Zygus invited everyone to the Urgent Community Health form this Saturday June 23, 2022, and is about protecting Lake Michigan and Trail Creek from the coal ash pollution at 4:00 p.m. at the Hope Community Center on McClellan Avenue.

Councilman D. Przybylinski also thanked the Eastport Neighbors for coming to our meeting advising that Clerk Neulieb has sent me emails that you sent her regarding what is happening in the Eastport areas and is ready to get involved to get these issues

addressed and solved; that is telephone number is 879-5260 give him a call and we'll set up a time and I'll come over to see what is going on.

Councilman D. Przybylinski thanked the Mainstreet Association for all the years for sponsoring and supporting the "Taste of Michigan City" and other activities and that he understands that it is hard to get volunteers to keep events going strong.

Councilman D. Przybylinski commented on the number of overdoses that are happening in our community; that over Memorial Day weekend there were seven (7) with one (1) fatality; asking that the Council get a bi-monthly report/email of amount of overdoses that are taken place in our community.

Councilman D. Przybylinski stated at the last Council meeting on June 5th he asked the mayor to attend this meeting and report on the status of hiring an engineer or hiring an engineering firm to move forward on projects that are not being addressed and report on what the plan is for our 2022 sidewalks, paving, and road repairs; asking that he isn't here this evening and is requesting that Mayor Parry please attend the next meeting on July 5, 2022 to address and report on these issues.

Councilman Fitzpatrick thanked everyone for coming out from the Long Beach residents and the Eastport Neighbors, because this is what makes things work if we all participate; that he was listening to some of the comments about the homicides and everyone knows that he is an autopsy assistant and that he to respond to these and that if you would listen to the scanner all day you would be alarmed at how many overdoses there are in twenty four hours and the mental health issues in our community is another issue that we are facing on a daily bases; communication is so important with our adult youth that it can make all the difference in the world to listen, hang out, and just be there for them.

President Deutch thanked everyone for coming out this evening and making your voices heard about what is going on.

President Deutch gave the Council's condolences for the death of Beryl Bergwald who many knew as a professor at Purdue North Central and served on the City Council and on the Michigan City School Board.

President Deutch gave a shout out to PFlag and Fly High Organizations for the events they did this weekend bringing our community today; that it was nice to see this happening and it should be happening every weekend in our city.

President Deutch reminded everyone about the ARPA workshops that are scheduled to educate our community more about the spending, the process, applications and how to move forward in the spending of these monies.

President Deutch commented on some of the input she has received and that there are pros and cons to anything and everything; we conversations about using camera's throughout our city and it didn't go over well and wasn't done, times changes things happen so maybe it is the time to have the conversation and discuss it; hoping that Chief Campbell has a package together to talk about with neighborhoods that are the high crime areas, we need to build up neighborhood groups over our entire city and provide funding to those organization to support programming in those areas.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Councilman D. Przybylinski, second by Councilman P. Przybylinski and there being no further business to transact, President Deutch declared the meeting **ADJOURNED** (approximately 9:48 p.m.)

Gale A. Neulieb