

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF ELWOOD, MADISON COUNTY, INDIANA
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING
SEPTEMBER 09, 2024 6:30PM**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Todd Jones followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer. Members present: Dave Abernathy, Kim Everson, Joe Kelich, Danielle Noone, Sam Tyner, Jim Watters and John Wright. City Attorney, Jeff Graham was present for the meeting.

Tammy Noland requested the council address the drop off and pick up issue at Stepping Stones Academy. She has been confronted by a neighbor near the facility who is not happy with the flow of the process. She stated the neighbor is making the situation is not safe for the children. Jones requested the council take a look at this matter and possibly add no entrance signs during the times of drop off and pick up of these students.

Minutes from the August 05, 2024 regular meeting were presented to the council for approval. Wright made to approve the minutes; seconded by Abernathy. All in favor.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-09 – RESOLUTION OF THE ELWOOD COMMON COUNCIL APPROVING STATEMENT OF BENEFITS IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT. Brian Lapp, representing Warner Bodies, spoke regarding the need for this abatement. Lapp stated they will be adding a seconded powder coat oven to help with production. Wright made a motion to read and consider Resolution 2024-09; seconded by Noone. All in favor. Resolution 2024-09 read title only. Wright made a motion for unanimous passage on the same night as introduced; seconded by Watters. All in favor. Wright made a motion to vote on Resolution 2024-09 by roll call vote; seconded by Abernathy. Roll call: Abernathy - aye, Everson – aye, Kelich – aye, Noone – aye, Tyner – aye, Watters – aye, Wright - aye. Resolution 2024-09 passed.

ORDINANCE NO. 2473 – 2025 BUDGET. This ordinance was brought for discussion only. The public hearing and initial reading will be September 16, 2024.

ORDINANCE NO. 2265 – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING INCREMENT, LONGEVITY, HOLIDAY PAY, UNIFORM ALLOWANCE; AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS COMPENSATION FOR FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS DETERMINING SENIORITY RIGHTS WITH RESPECT TO POLICE OFFICERS AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH. This ordinance is introduction only. Abernathy made a motion to read and consider Ordinance 2265; seconded by Noone. All in favor. Ordinance 2265 read title only.

ORDINANCE NO. 2470 – AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE BI-WEEKLY AND HOURLY COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF ELWOOD CIVIL CITY, MADISON COUNTY, INDIANA, AND EFFECTIVE DATES THEREOF AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH. This ordinance is introduction only. Wright made a motion to read and consider Ordinance 2470; seconded by Kelich. All in favor. Ordinance 2470 read title only.

ORDINANCE NO. 2471 – AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE BI-WEEKLY AND MONTHLY SALARIES OF ELECTED OFFICIALS OF ELWOOD CIVIL CITY, MADISON COUNTY, INDIANA, AND EFFECTIVE DATES THEREOF AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH. This ordinance is introduction only. Wright made a motion to read and consider Ordinance 2471; seconded by Noone. All in favor. Ordinance 2471 read title only.

ORDINANCE NO. 2472 – AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE BI-WEEKLY AND HOURLY COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE ELWOOD UTILITIES, MADISON COUNTY, INDIANA, AND EFFECTIVE DATES THEREOF AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH. This ordinance is introduction only. Wright made a motion to read and consider Ordinance 2472; seconded by Abernathy. All in favor. Ordinance 2472 read title only.

ORDINANCE NO. 2475 – ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELWOOD, INDIANA, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS TO PAY FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECTS AND INCIDENTAL EXPENSES IN CONNECTION THEREWITH AND ON ACCOUNT OF THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS, APPROPRIATING THE PROCEEDS THEREOF, AND ALL MATTERS RELATED THERETO. This ordinance is introduction only. Wright made a motion to read and consider Ordinance 2475; seconded by Abernathy. All in favor. Ordinance 2475 read title only.

ORDINANCE NO. 2474 – ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TRAFFIC CODE OF THE CITY OF ELWOOD. This ordinance removes the truck route on North 12th St. Noone made a motion to read and consider Ordinance 2474; seconded by Kelich. All in favor. Ordinance 2474 read title only. Wright made a motion for unanimous passage on the same night as introduced; seconded by Abernathy. All in favor. Wright made a motion to vote on Ordinance 2474 by roll call vote; seconded by Abernathy. Roll call: Abernathy - aye, Everson – aye, Kelich – aye, Noone – aye, Tyner – aye, Watters – aye, Wright - aye. Ordinance 2474 passed.

Watters requested a handicap sign and parking issue at Wilke Ct be looked into. Jones stated the chief will look into it and report back.

The council committee overseeing the dumpster issues at the street department met and current ideas for fixing the issue are a QR code plus one trip a month up to 12 trips per year. After that time it could cost between \$5 and \$45 depending on vehicle and load size. Landlords and property managers would be charged each trip.

Kelich made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Wright. All in favor.



Todd Jones, Mayor



Council President/President Pro-Tem

ATTEST:



Allison M. Roby, Clerk-Treasurer