

**COMMON COUNCIL**  
**APRIL 15, 2019**

6:30 P.M. MAYOR GRAHAM CALLED THE COMMON COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS WITH COUNCIL MEMBERS BILL HOAGLAND, STANLEY ALLEN, JOHN KONKLER, KAREN GRICIUS, AND CHUCK ROSE PRESENT. ALSO PRESENT WERE CLERK-TREASURER JAN HARDY, CHIEF SCOTT ZELLERS, ATTORNEY KERRY THOMPSON, APRIL RAMONI, JESSICA JONES, TODD CARTER, SUE JONES, DENNIS NICHOLAS, CASEY SAEGESSER, BILL SAEGESSER, SCOTT HADLER, SCOTT MILLER, MARTY RANDALL, JENNIFER MCCLAIN, FRANK MCCLAIN, DAVID KILBURN, DONALD COLLINS, LESLIE BIXLER, ROGER STARK, CHUCK SEBASTIAN, JOHN SPARROW, GUY TOWNSEND, TERRY AMICK, PAMELA AMICK, AND JERRY HARTMAN.

THE MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 1, 2019 MEETING WERE PRESENTED. STANLEY ALLEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. KAREN GRICIUS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

6:32PM MAYOR GRAHAM CALLED THE PUBLIC HEARING TO ORDER FOR THE WATER RATE ORDINANCE. SCOTT MILLER WITH UмбаUGH PRESENTED THE FINDINGS OF THE WATER RATE STUDY. MR. MILLER STATED ON 4000 GALLONS OF USAGE THE INCREASE WILL BE \$10.75 A MONTH AND IT HAS BEEN 10 YEARS SINCE THE LAST WATER RATE INCREASE.

JOHN KONKLER SPOKE OF HIS OWN WATER BILL AND WANTED TO CLARIFY THE INCREASE WAS GOING TOWARD THE COST OF THE WATER LINE RELOCATION PROJECT, NOT SALARIES. MR. MILLER STATED MOST OF THE COST DIFFERENCE WOULD BE TO OFFSET FOR THE DAILY OPERATIONS. ONLY A SMALL AMOUNT WILL GO TOWARDS ANY UPDATES NEEDED. BILL HOAGLAND EXPRESSED HIS CONCERNS ABOUT A LARGE ONE TIME INCREASE. KERRY THOMPSON STATED THE AVERAGE CONSUMER IN THE CITY USES 2300 GALLONS, WHICH WILL SEE AN INCREASE OF \$6.95 A MONTH. MR. THOMPSON ALSO ADDRESSED TO MR. HOAGLAND THE WATER BOARD IS TAKING PRECAUTIONS BY IMPLEMENTING 2.5% INCREASE STARTING NEXT YEAR AND SMALL INCREMENTS EACH YEAR TO AVOID THIS SITUATION IN THE FUTURE. MAYOR GRAHAM STATED THE EPA MANDATES ARE MORE STRINGENT AND COSTING EVERY COMMUNITY MORE TO STAY COMPLIANT.

JOHN EDRINGTON PRESENTED DATA TO COMPARE SCOTTSBURG WITH NEW ALBANY. TERRY AMICK SPOKE ON HOW HE WOULD PAY DOWN THE BAN WITHOUT AN INCREASE. CLERK TREASURER HARDY CLARIFIED TO MR. AMICK SOME OF THE MONEY HE IS USING IN HIS CALCULATIONS HAVE BEEN SET ASIDE FOR OTHER OPERATIONAL COSTS. MAYOR GRAHAM DESCRIBED THE BIG INFRASTRUCTURE CRISIS IN AMERICA. THE WATER LINE THE CITY IS REPLACING IS ALMOST 100 YEARS OLD. THIS AGING INFRASTRUCTURE IS A FINANCIAL CHALLENGE OTHER COMMUNITIES ARE FACING AS WELL. WATER SUPERINTENDENT, TODD CARTER, STATED HE THOUGHT THE RATES WERE COMPETITIVE, THE INFRASTRUCTURE WAS BETTER NOW THAN 20 YEARS AGO AND THE WATER PLANT HAS BEEN VIOLATION FREE FOR TWO YEARS. HE CONTINUED, WATER IS OUR MOST PRECIOUS RESOURCE AND THE CITY NEEDS TO STAY AHEAD OF THE CURVE ON PROCESSING AND DISTRIBUTION. THE WATER BOARD MEMBERS EACH SPOKE ABOUT WHY THEY SUPPORTED THE RATE INCREASE.

7:14PM MAYOR GRAHAM CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING.

**ORDINANCE 2019-2** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES COLLECTED BY THE SCOTTSBURG WATER DEPARTMENT OF WATERWORKS AND ESTABLISHING NEW RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE SCOTTSBURG DEPARTMENT OF WATERWORKS AND OTHER MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH. ORDINANCE 2019-2 WAS PRESENTED FOR FIRST

READING. JOHN KONKLER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE. CHUCK ROSE SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 4-1(GRICIUS).

CHUCK ROSE STATED JILL SAEGESSER'S EMAIL ANSWERED HIS QUESTIONS ABOUT THE EDA RLF PLAN UPDATE PRESENTED AT THE LAST MEETING AND HE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION TO APPROVE. BILL HOAGLAND SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

**RESOLUTION 2019-R2** A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SCOTTSBURG APPROVING SUBMISSION OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION PUBLIC WORKS GRANT. IF AWARDED THIS GRANT WOULD HELP OFFSET THE COSTS OF THE SEWER PROJECT. CHUCK ROSE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE. KAREN GRICIUS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

**ORDINANCE 2019-3 (PC-1-19 MCCLAIN)** I-1 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL TO R-3 HIGH DENSITY HOUSING LOCATED 200 N MAIN STREET, SCOTTSBURG, INDIANA 47170. ORDINANCE 2019-3 WAS PRESENTED FOR FIRST READING. STANLEY ALLEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE. BILL HOAGLAND SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0. JOHN KONKLER MADE A MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES AND READ ORDINANCE 2019-3 FOR A SECOND AND THIRD TIME BY TITLE ONLY. KAREN GRICIUS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0. ORDINANCE 2019-3 WAS PRESENTED FOR SECOND READING BY TITLE ONLY. STANLEY ALLEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE. JOHN KONKLER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0. ORDINANCE 2019-3 WAS PRESENTED FOR THIRD READING BY TITLE ONLY. BILL HOAGLAND MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE. STANLEY ALLEN SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0. ORDINANCE 2019-3 PASSED ON THIRD AND FINAL READING.

7:29PM CHUCK ROSE MADE THE MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

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