

The City of Greenfield Common Council met in regular session on February 24, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Room 127, located at 10 South State Street, with Council President Gary P. Evans presiding. Clerk-Treasurer, Breese gave the invocation, followed by all reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

Mayor Brad DeReamer called the meeting to order for conducting the business of the City of Greenfield.

**ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE:**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Councilman	Kelly McClarnon
		Mitch Pendlum
		D. J. Davis
		Gary Evans
		Jason Horning
	Mayor	Brad DeReamer
	Attorney	Gregg Morelock
	Clerk-Treasurer	Larry J. Breese

<b>ABSENT:</b>	Councilman	Greg Carwein
		Kerry Grass

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Councilman Davis moved to approve the February 10, 2010 meeting minutes of the Common Council as presented, seconded by Councilman McClarnon. Motion carried *viva voce*.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS:**

Councilman Horning gave an update to recent Traffic and Safety Committee meeting and that the committee requested City Attorney, Morelock to draft an ordinance to close the alley running North and South between Main Street and North Street and East of Penn. Street and West of State Street. The purpose of closing this alley would be to create additional Public Parking in the downtown area and would allow the City of Greenfield to retain ownership of the property by closing instead of vacating the alley. This will be presented at the next meeting of the Common Council for their consideration.

Councilman Pendlum asked Councilman Horning if at the next Traffic & Safety meeting if they would discuss truck traffic within the city limits as they are tearing up several intersections and streets and more specifically the round-a-bout at Broadway and McKenzie. He would like an ordinance prepared to stop truck traffic in Greenfield if lawful. Councilman Horning stated he would bring this matter before the Traffic & Safety Committee at their next meeting.

Edgar Ward local resident asked if Council or the Traffic & Safety Committee to look into having a four-way stop at the intersection of Lincoln and Swope Streets. Councilman Horning stated he would bring this matter before the Traffic & Safety Committee for review at their next meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Compliance with Statement of Benefits Real Estate Improvements for Home News Enterprises, L.L.C.: Councilman McClarnon asked if a representative from Home News was present for this request for approval of the compliance of benefits. Hearing none, Councilman McClarnon moved to table until next meeting and asked Clerk-Treasurer, Breese to notify Home News Enterprises to have a representative at the next meeting, seconded by Councilman Pendlum. Motion carried *viva voce*.

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### **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

Mayor DeReamer announced that he had just spent the last couple of days in Washington D.C. representing AAPA and IMPA meeting with Congressional Leaders from Indiana discussing the proposed legislation of Cap & Trade and what the impact it would create on Indiana.

Councilman Davis complimented the city workers on a great job of removing snow these past several weeks. Councilman Evans agreed with statement from Councilman Davis and thanked all of the departments for their hard work.

### **PETITION OR COMMENTS OF CITIZENS:**

June Walker, local resident spoke before Council and also wanted to thank the city workers for a great job of snow removal and wanted to mention that she had been told that on Grant Street for one block that City Councilman Pendlum, was out clearing the snow from the sidewalks and thought he should be complimented for his efforts.

Gary McDaniel and Rob Boyle representing the Oak Commons Subdivision, HOA asked to speak before Council about concerns they had with snow removal and the speed that the trucks traveled while plowing snow. Oak Commons has tried to keep the sidewalks clear along Blue Road and McKenzie Road in front of their subdivision for the school children and when the snow plows go by they throw the snow several feet covering up the sidewalks and all of their work on trying to keep the sidewalks clear, again for the children. Council stated they would notify Street Superintendent, Greg Niece about this problem and see if something could be done while plowing snow in this area. Mr. McDaniel asked if the city had an ordinance requiring residents to clear snow from their sidewalks. Mayor DeReamer stated there was no ordinance requiring residents to remove snow from their sidewalks and was more of a courteous gesture to remove the snow for those residents wishing to walk and making the sidewalks safe

Janet Brown, local resident addressed Common Council in regards to the proposed Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) Ordinance and she stated No Pilot / No Rate Increases / No Tax Increases as residents are suffering and don't need any additional increases on the funds they have in hand at this time. She stated that she depended on the Common Council to do what was fiscally right for the citizens of Greenfield and that she would be back for the March 10<sup>th</sup> Public Hearing on the PILOT program with further comments. Mayor DeReamer addressed what several other communities are doing with revenue shortfall and how they are operating their municipalities. Council, Mayor and residents in attendance continued to discuss budget shortfalls and what some of the options might be in reducing the budget and or increasing the revenue by using the option of adopting the PILOT program for increased revenue and fixing the budget shortfall for this year and hopefully for the future. Janet Brown questioned where she might be able to obtain city financial records? Councilman McClarnon suggested she contact Clerk-Treasurer, Breese for this information as the chief financial officer for the city. After further discussion from all in attendance it was determined that this topic would continue at the Public Hearing scheduled for March 10, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., here in Council Chambers for any discussion on the proposed ordinance for PILOT.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to be brought before the Greenfield Common Council, Councilman Horning moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m., seconded by Councilman Davis. Motion carried *viva voce*.

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Larry J. Breese, IAMC, MMC  
Clerk-Treasurer

Gary Evans, President  
Presiding Officer