

The City of Greenfield, Indiana Common Council met in regular session on June 9, 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. Councilman Mitch Pendlum welcomed Dr. Betty Davis for the invocation followed by all reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Mayor Brad DeReamer declared the meeting of the Common Council now opened for conducting the business of the City of Greenfield, Indiana.

PRESENT:	Councilman	Kelly McClarnon
		Mitch Pendlum
		Greg Carwein
		Gary Evans
		Kerry Grass
	Mayor	Brad DeReamer
	Attorney	Gregg Morelock
	Clerk-Treasurer	Larry J. Breese

ABSENT:	Councilman	D. J. Davis
		Jason Horning

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Grass moved to approve the may 26, 2010 meeting minutes as submitted, seconded by Councilman Carwein. Motion carried viva voce .

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS:

OLD BUSINESS:

Council President, Evans announced at this time the discussion regarding trash haulers using alleys or requiring them to make their pick-ups by using the city streets. Council had asked if several of the local trash haulers would be present for this discussion for any feed back they may offer before making any decisions on this matter. Rob Davis representing Republic Services stated with his company it was a safety issue for their trucks to go down alleys for trash removal and because of the size of their trucks they have required their customers to place their trash in the front of their homes and be picked-up from the streets and preferred to pick-up at the curb. Chris Ross representing CGS Services agreed with Mr. Davis that using the alleys was somewhat of a safety issue for them also but wouldn't bother them either way and would comply with whatever the city decides. Kent Fisk representing Fisk Services stated he would be taking a different stance and would prefer using the alleys so not to cause a traffic issue while his trucks made several stops at residents and would cause a back-up on those streets during that time. This would especially cause an issue on US 40 and State Road 9. Councilman Evans asked Major Derek Towle with Greenfield Police Department and member of the Traffic & Safety Committee to give his first impression on this matter. Major Towle stated at first glance he would agree with Mr. Fisk about safety issue on SR 9 and US 40 as the trucks would be using the middle of the roads and would cause a safety concern and probably cause traffic congestion. Councilman Pendlum asked that this matter be forwarded to the Traffic & Safety Committee for review and then make a recommendation to the Common Council at a later date. Councilman McClarnon agreed with Councilman Pendlum and liked the idea for Traffic & Safety to study this issue and report their findings back to the Common Council. Chris Roberts representing Best Way Disposal mentioned that they use automated trucks and have not used alleys now for several years and has caused no problems that he was aware of and the time required for a pick-up consists of approximately 8 seconds, using the automated truck. Councilman Pendlum moved to forward this issue to the Traffic & Safety Committee for review and report back to the Common Council on their findings and recommendation, seconded by Councilman McClarnon. Motion carried viva voce .

NEW BUSINESS:

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Ordinance 2010-8 an Ordinance Amending the Greenfield Policy and Procedure Manual on first reading as prepared and read in full by City Attorney Morelock. The amendment is for section 36.48 as required by the Federal Labor Standards Act and keeping the city in compliance with those laws. Council President, Evans asked if any discussion at this time. Councilman Carwein moved to approve as introduced, seconded by Councilman McClarnon. Motion carried *viva voce*.

Ordinance 2010-9 an Ordinance Amending Title 5, Chapter 51 and Chapter 52, Regarding Operations of the Wastewater Utility on first reading as prepared by City Attorney Morelock. Councilman McClarnon moved that Ordinance 2010-9 be read by title only, seconded by Councilman Grass. Motion carried *viva voce*. David Scheiter, Superintendent of Sewer and Water Utilities gave brief description and outline of the introduced ordinance and the reasoning behind the requested amendments concerning Summer Sewer Rates. O. W. Krohn (Buzz) discussed the Summer Sewer Rates and the affect of changing the formula currently being used by the city. Council requested that a separate ordinance be drafted, which pertains to the proposed Rate Study and for Sewer Lateral Inspections. After further discussion and questions by the Common Council, Council President, Evans asked if anyone present wanted to address Council in regards to these proposed changes with the Sewer Utility. Mark Dudley, a local realtor questioned the timing and asked for more time to study and evaluate these changes and what impact this would have on homeowners wishing to sell or buy a home. Times are tough enough trying to sell real-estate with the state of the economy being as it is currently and hoped that this could be delayed to allow more time to study the impact. Councilman Grass moved to table Ordinance 2010-9 until the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Common Council, Seconded by Councilman McClarnon. Motion carried *viva voce*.

Ordinance 2010-10 an Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2009-15 as prepared and read in full by City Attorney, Morelock on first reading. This amendment addresses the inadvertently missing fines to be imposed for violations of Section 90.03(H), 90.03(I), 90.03(J), 90.04(H), and 90.04(I) under Section 90.99. Councilman Carwein moved to approve as introduced on first reading, seconded by Councilman Grass. Motion carried *viva voce*.

Ordinance 2010-11 an Ordinance to Restrict Parking on Park Avenue and to Create a School Zone within the City of Greenfield, Indiana as prepared and read in full by City Attorney, Morelock. Major Derek Towle with Greenfield Police Department and as Chairman of the Traffic & Safety Committee has proposed these changes and has recommended the changes as outlined in the ordinance. Major Towle presented a map showing the area being changed and stated that he has been in correspondence with the school corporation in what they would be doing in the future regarding parking and traffic flow along Park Avenue in front of Harris Elementary and the Greenfield Intermediate School. He stated that the school corporation will be creating additional parking lots and will be recommended that staff and visitors use those parking lots and not the streets. Parents dropping off students will be encouraged to use the back entrance and allow busses to use the front entrance to the schools. Major Towle stated that this proposal has been reviewed by Traffic & Safety Committee and now comes before the Common Council with a recommendation from the Traffic & Safety Committee. Councilman Carwein moved to approve as prepared on first reading, seconded by Councilman McClarnon. Motion carried *viva voce*.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

City Attorney Morelock presented an Interlocal Agreement between City of Greenfield and Hancock County regarding a repaving project on 300 N and Franklin Street, which a portion of those streets are annexed into the City of Greenfield, so would be responsible for the upkeep of the streets at those locations. The Interlocal Agreement calls for a pro-rated amount of \$22,000.00 for the city's portion of the expense to have those streets and intersection re-paved. This project would be completed November 1, 2010. Councilman Carwein moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement as presented, seconded by Councilman Grass. Motion carried *viva voce*.

O. W. Krohn (Buzz) presented the rate study as prepared by IMPA for the City of Greenfield. The summary of the rate study suggest that the Greenfield Power & Light consider a rate change and the recommendation from Mr. Krohn would be for an effective date of October 1, 2010 as the start of the 4th quarter. This proposal would be revenue neutral and just a re-alignment of the current rates. Council agreed that City Attorney, Morelock begin preparation of said ordinance and be presented to Common Council in the near future. Mayor DeReamer mentioned that IMPA has committed to a 10% reduction of energy over the next ten years. Nelson Castrodale spoke before Council with several plans that IMPA will be rolling out for customers to receive energy credits in helping to reduce energy usage in the City of Greenfield. IMPA has committed several million dollars to this program to encourage power users to reduce energy needs. Mayor DeReamer stated he would be talking to IMPA and set up a time in the near future for IMPA to make a presentation to Common Council on this new program and what IMPA plans to do to help the City of Greenfield reduce energy consumption.

Mayor DeReamer announced that he passed out information from Larry McGuire concerning the status of the 2010 Census data. Currently the City of Greenfield is 95% completed and that Mr. McGuire has done an outstanding job as the coordinator for the City of Greenfield.

PETITION OR COMMENTS OF CITIZENS:

A local resident spoke before Council and agreed with Mr. Dudley that the issue regarding inspections of sewer laterals be carefully studied before moving forward.

Judy Brown a local resident spoke before Council in regards to the preparation of the Council Agenda, asking for more detail and that the agenda be posted earlier than is currently being done. Council stated they would take these comments under consideration for the future.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to bring before the Common Council, Councilman Grass moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m., seconded by Councilman Carwein. Motion carried *viva voce*.

Larry J. Breese, IAMC, MMC
Clerk-Treasurer

Gary P. Evans, Council President
Presiding Officer