**CITY OF GREENFIELD COMMON COUNCIL**

The Greenfield, Indiana Common Council met in regular session on November 22nd, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Room 127 located at 10 South State Street with Mayor Fewell presiding. Councilman Plisinski led the invocation, followed by all reciting the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Pendlum.

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

Mayor Fewell called the meeting to order of the Common Council for the purpose of conducting the business before the Greenfield Common Council.

**PRESENT:** Councilman Kerry Grass

John Jester

Jeff Lowder

Mitch Pendlum

George Plisinski

Anthony Scott

Dan Riley

City Attorney Gregg Morelock

Clerk-Treasurer Lori Elmore

Mayor Chuck Fewell

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Councilman Jester moved to approve the minutes of November 8th, 2023 as presented, duly seconded by Councilman Lowder. Motion carried *viva voce.*

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS and COMMISSIONS: None.**

**PUBLIC HEARING: Regarding Ordinance No. 2023/38**

Councilman Plisinski moved to recess the regular business meeting, duly seconded by Councilman Jester. Motion carried viva voce.

Mayor Fewell declared the public hearing open:

Comments from Citizens regarding Ordinance No. 2023-38 were welcomed – no one came forward.

Councilman Jester moved to close the Public Hearing, duly seconded by Councilman Grass.

Motion carried viva voce.

Mayor Fewell re-opened the regular business meeting.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Councilman Scott moved to read all ordinances and resolutions by Title only, duly seconded by Councilman Grass. Motion carried *viva voce.*

*Councilman Pendlum voted no this to this motion.*

**Ordinance No. 2023/36 An Ordinance Amending title III, Chapter 30, 30.07.04 regarding the Clerk-Treasurer’s Investment Policy;** second reading as introduced by Attorney Morelock. Councilman Scott moved to approve Ordinance No. 2023/36 as presented, duly seconded by Councilman Lowder. Motion carried *viva voce.*

**Ordinance No. 2023/36 An Ordinance Amending title III, Chapter 30, 30.07.04 regarding the Clerk-Treasurer’s Investment Policy;** third and final reading and eligible for final adoption by the Common Council. Councilman Plisinski moved to approve Ordinance No. 2023/36 as presented on third reading, seconded by Councilman Grass. Mayor Fewell called for a roll call vote by Clerk-Treasurer Elmore AYES: Councilman Grass, Jester, Lowder, Pendlum, Plisinski, Scott and Riley. Nayes: None. Ordinance No. 2023/36 was declared approved by 7 to 0 vote in favor.

**Ordinance No. 2023/37 An Ordinance Amending title III, Chapter 30, 30.07.04 regarding the Clerk-Treasurer’s Investment Policy;** second reading as introduced by Attorney Morelock. Councilman Lowder moved to approve Ordinance No. 2023/37 as presented, duly seconded by Councilman Jester. Motion carried *viva voce.*

**Ordinance No. 2023/37 An Ordinance Amending title III, Chapter 30, 30.07.04 regarding the Clerk-Treasurer’s Investment Policy;** third and final reading and eligible for final adoption by the Common Council. Councilman Jester moved to approve Ordinance No. 2023/37 as presented on third reading, seconded by Councilman Scott. Mayor Fewell called for a roll call vote by Clerk-Treasurer Elmore AYES: Councilman Grass, Jester, Lowder, Pendlum, Plisinski, Scott and Riley. Nayes: None. Ordinance No. 2023/37 was declared approved by 7 to 0 vote in favor.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Ordinance No. 2023/38 An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 2023/03 for additional use of LOIT funding for the Police Department’s annual Flock payment;** on first reading as introduced by Attorney Morelock. Councilman Grass moved to approve Ordinance 2023/38 as presented, duly seconded by Councilman Jester. Motion Carried *viva voce.*

**Ordinance No. 2023/39 An Ordinance Authorizing Moving Appropriation Funds Between Mayor Budget Classifications for Year End Balancing;** on first reading as introduced by Attorney Morelock. Councilman Plisinski moved to approve Ordinance 2023/39 as presented, duly seconded by Councilman Lowder. Motion Carried *viva voce.*

**Ordinance No. 2023/40 An Ordinance Revoking Ordinance No. 2001/27 which outlined the Fire Territory’s 28 day payment cycle;** on first reading as introduced by Attorney Morelock. Councilman Jester moved to approve Ordinance 2023/40 as presented, duly seconded by Councilman Scott. Motion Carried *viva voce.*

**Ordinance No. 2023/41 An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 2023 – 31 – The 2024 Salary Ordinance with updates on the FT 28 to 21 day pay cycle;** on first reading as introduced by Attorney Morelock. Councilman Jester moved to approve Ordinance 2023/41 as presented, duly seconded by Councilman Plisinski. Motion Carried *viva voce.*

**Ordinance No. 2023/42 An Ordinance Amending title V, Chapter 50 of the Code of Ordinances of greenfield, Indiana regarding an increase to the Electric Utility rates;** on first reading as introduced by Attorney Morelock. Councilman Plisinski moved to approve Ordinance 2023/42 as presented, duly seconded by Councilman Scott. Motion Carried *viva voce.*

*A motion was made by Councilman Riley and duly seconded by Councilman Plisinski to set the date of the public hearing for Ordinance No. 2023/42 for December 12th, 2023, as advertised in the Daily Reporter.*

**Resolution No. 2023/21 A Resolution Amending the 2023 Utility Budget Resolution No. 2022-21, specifically reducing the Waste Water depreciation transfers;** Councilman Plisinski moved to approve Resolution 2023/21 as presented by Attorney Morelock, seconded by Councilman Riley. Mayor Fewell called for a roll call vote by Clerk-Treasurer Elmore AYES: Councilman Grass, Jester, Lowder, Pendlum, Plisinski, Scott and Riley. Nayes: None. Resolution 2023216 was declared approved by 7 to 0 vote in favor.

**Resolution No. 2023/22 A Resolution Amending the 2023 Utility Budget Resolution No. 2022-21, specifically reducing the Power & Light depreciation transfers;** Councilman Plisinski moved to approve Resolution 2023/22 as presented by Attorney Morelock, seconded by Councilman Riley. Mayor Fewell called for a roll call vote by Clerk-Treasurer Elmore AYES: Councilman Grass, Jester, Lowder, Pendlum, Plisinski, Scott and Riley. Nayes: None. Resolution 2023216 was declared approved by 7 to 0 vote in favor.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

**Recognition of Councilman Kerry Grass – 16 years of service on City Common Council**

Council President Riley recognized Councilman Grass for the 16 years he has served on the City Council and the contributions he has made in those years on the Council. In addition, Kerry served as the Council President for four years and on the Economic Development Committee, the Utility Commission, Boards and Committees of Greenfield and Hancock County Communications, Infrastructure Committee, Environment Affairs Committee and the Greenfield Government Advisors Committee.

Kerry’s leadership and knowledge helped to shape many of the current ordinances and resolutions followed within the City of Greenfield on a daily basis. His involvement on numerous committees has also made an impact to the citizens of Greenfield. Kerry’s service, dedication and commitment to the City of Greenfield will long be remembered.

**Distinguished Citizen Award – Leo Davis – 47 years of service to the Board of Zoning Appeals.** Mayor Fewell presented Leo Davis with the Distinguished Citizen Award as well as recognizing him for the service, commitment and dedication he has given to the City of Greenfield and to its citizens.  **Leo has served as the longest serving member of any committee in the history of the City of Greenfield, having been a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals for 47 years in a voluntary position.** He served on the BZA Board under Mayor Keith McClarnon, Mayor Patricia Elmore, Mayor Rodney Fleming, Mayor Brad De Reamer, Mayor Dick Pasco and Mayor Chuck Fewell.

To say that Leo Davis has contributed to the growth and development of the City of Greenfield would be an understatement. Leo’s input, experience, knowledge and guidance has made Greenfield, Greenfield.

**PETITION OR COMMENTS OF CITIZENS:**

Councilman Pendlum also thanked Councilman Grass for his years of service and thanked him for all he had done for the City and its citizens.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to be brought before the Greenfield Common Council, Councilman Grass moved to adjourn the meeting at 19:23 p.m., duly seconded by Councilman Jester.

Motion carried *viva voce.*

Mayor Fewell announced that the next meeting of the Common Council will be held on Wednesday, December 13th, 2023 @ 7:00pm. Mayor Fewell declared the meeting adjourned.

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Lori Elmore Chuck Fewell, Mayor

Clerk-Treasurer Presiding Officer