**CITY OF GREENFIELD COMMON COUNCIL**

The Greenfield, Indiana Common Council met in regular session on the 10th of January 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Room 127 located at 10 South State Street with Mayor Guy Titus presiding. Councilman Scott led the invocation, followed by all reciting the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Riley.

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

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

**PRESENT:** Councilman John Jester

Amy Kirkpatrick

Jeff Lowder

 Thomas Moore

Joyce Plisinski

Anthony Scott

 Dan Riley

 City Attorney Gregg Morelock

 Clerk-Treasurer Lori Elmore

Mayor Guy Titus

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Councilman Scott moved to approve the minutes of December 13th, 2023 as presented, duly seconded by Councilman Jester. Motion carried *viva voce.*

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

Councilman Jester provided the year end numbers of permits which were issued in 2023 which were a total of 684.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.**

**ELECTION OF 2024 COUNCIL PRESIDENT:**

Mayor Titus turned the meeting over to Council President, Dan Riley for the election of the 2024 president pro-tem.

Councilman Riley opened the nominations for the Election of Common Council President Pro-Tem for the Fiscal Year 2024. Councilman Kirkpatrick moved to nominate Councilman Dan Riley to retain the office of Council President for the Fiscal Year of 2024, duly seconded by Councilman Jester. Councilman Jester moved to close the nominations, duly seconded by Councilman Moore.

Motion Carried *viva voce.*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Councilman Riley moved to encumber the amount of $150,000.00 from the Council’s 2023 Professional Services line item funds to cover the increase of the City Attorney’s 2024 Service Agreement from $108,000.00 per annum to $250,000.00 per annum, duly seconded by Councilman Scott.

Motion Carried *viva voce.*

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

Clerk-Treasurer Elmore explained the Mayor, Clerk-Treasurer and Council’s Annual Certifications for the Nepotism Policy as outlined in IC 36-1-20.2 and the Contracting Policy as outlined in IC 36-1-21 which are required to be signed each year. These documents were signed prior to the start of the meeting and will be kept on file in the office of the Clerk-Treasurer.

Clerk- Treasurer Elmore explained the need for each Council member to complete the annual Conflict of Interest Form which will be kept on file in the office of the Clerk-Treasurer after filing with the County Clerk and uploading them to the Indiana Gateway Portal monitored by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

Clerk-Treasurer Elmore provided the members of Council with a detailed overview of the 1782 Notice which was recently received from the DLGF (Department of Local Government Finance). This is a draft of our 2024 Budget Numbers as submitted in late October of 2023 and let us know that the DLGF has confirmed that they believe we will have sufficient funding to support the budgeted requests submitted for the fiscal year of 2024. All departmental budgets were approved in the 1782 Notice.

Clerk-Treasurer Elmore will approve the 1782 Notice, confirming no changes are needed, and return the report to the DLGF as required within 10 days after receiving the report.

Clerk-Treasurer Elmore further explained that the last piece of the budget process was the Budget Order We are waiting to receive this document from the DLGF.

**PETITION OR COMMENTS OF CITIZENS:**  **None.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to be brought before the Greenfield Common Council, Councilman Jester moved to adjourn the meeting at 19:30 p.m., duly seconded by Councilman Scott.

Motion carried *viva voce.*

Mayor Titus announced that the next meeting of the Common Council will be held on Wednesday, the 24th of January 2024 at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Titus declared the meeting adjourned.

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Lori Elmore Guy Titus, Mayor

Clerk-Treasurer Presiding Officer