

**COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2016
6:00 P.M.**

Mayor Ryan Daniel – Present
Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle – Present
Attorney Marcia McNagny – Present

Council Members

Walter Crowder – Present
Nicole Penrod – Present
Jennifer Romano – Present
Tad Varga – Present
Daniel Weigold – Present

The Columbia City Common Council met in regular session with all members present, Mayor Daniel presiding.

MINUTES Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to approve an overview of the October 25, 2016 meeting minutes as presented, Tad Varga seconded the motion, all voted aye.

ORDINANCE 2016-13: 2017 SALARY ORDINANCE – 2ND READING Motion was made by Dan Weigold to read Ordinance 2016-13 by title only, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye. Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle read Ordinance 2016-13 an ordinance to be known as the 2017 salary range/benefit ordinance.

Motion was made by Jennifer Romano to approve Ordinance 2016-13 on second reading, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

ORDINANCE 2016-17: AMENDMENT OF TRAFFIC SCHEDULE – QUAIL RIDGE 2ND READING Motion was made by Jennifer Romano to read Ordinance 2016-17 by title only, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye. Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle read Ordinance 2016-17 an ordinance amending Chapter 75, Traffic Schedules, of Title VII of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia City, Indiana.

Motion was made by Jennifer Romano to approve Ordinance 2016-17 on second reading, Tad Varga seconded the motion, all voted aye.

ORDINANCE 2016-18: AMENDMENT TO ANIMAL ORDINANCE – 1ST READING Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to read Ordinance 2016-18 by title only, Jennifer Romano seconded the motion, all voted aye. Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle read Ordinance 2016-18 an ordinance amending Chapter 90, Animals, of Title IX of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia City, Indiana.

Jennifer Romano advised this was regarding individuals who are found to have over the maximum number of dogs or cats allowed in their home. She explained this would establish a time frame of 30 days for the individual to find a new home for the pet.

Attorney McNagny pointed out a spelling error that has since been corrected.

Motion was made by Jennifer Romano to approve Ordinance 2016-18 on first reading with the noted change in language, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

ORDINANCE 2016-19: AMENDMENT TO NUISANCE ORDINANCE – 1ST READING

Motion was made by Tad Varga to read Ordinance 2016-19 by title only, Daniel Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye. Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle read Ordinance 2016-19 an ordinance amending Chapter 95, General Regulations, of Title IX of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia City, Indiana.

Attorney McNagny explained changes were made to make the letter writing process easier, include an appeals process in each section, changed grass height to 8” and each provision has its own penalty provision. She pointed out that the penalty for 95.04.4 will be changed to \$250 rather than \$500.

Motion was made by Daniel Weigold to approve Ordinance 2016-19 on first reading with the noted change in the fine from \$500 to \$250, Tad Varga seconded the motion, all voted aye.

ORDINANCE 2016-20: AMENDMENT TO PARK ORDINANCE – 1ST READING

Motion was made by Jennifer Romano to read Ordinance 2016-20 by title only, Tad Varga seconded the motion, all voted aye. Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle read Ordinance 2016-20 an ordinance amending Chapter 96, Parks, of Title IX of the code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia City, Indiana.

Attorney McNagny explained this was a provision cleaning up State codes.

Motion was made by Walter Crowder to approve Ordinance 2016-20 on first reading, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

ORDINANCE 2016-21: AMENDMENT TO PARKING ORDINANCE – 1ST READING

Motion was made by Jennifer Romano to read Ordinance 2016-21 by title only, Tad Varga seconded the motion, all voted aye. Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle read Ordinance 2016-21 an ordinance amending Chapter 75, Traffic Schedules, of Title VII of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia City, Indiana.

Attorney McNagny explained this was a request from Kelly Cearbaugh to remove the parking restrictions since it was not necessary for street sweeping anymore.

Motion was made by Jennifer Romano to approve Ordinance 2016-21 on first reading, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

JOB DESCRIPTION CHANGES Mayor Daniel reviewed the organizational changes as well as changes in job descriptions as previously presented.

Jennifer Romano felt it made a lot of sense from a customer service standpoint. Daniel Weigold felt it fell in line with other organizational charts of other cities and towns.

Motion was made by Daniel Weigold to approve the 5 job description changes as presented, Tad Varga seconded the motion.

Walt Crowder shared that he was in favor of the Assistant Community Development Director's position and questioned whether that would happen this year or next. Mayor Daniel advised it was planned for next year.

Upon the motion, all voted aye.

Mayor Daniel reviewed that on December 1, 2016, Dispatch would begin to fall under the Police Chief's leadership. The GIS Coordinator would switch under the IT Director on January 1, 2017.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS **Mike Shoda** – working on Squawbuck. **Jeff Walker** – tax abatement filed and applicant scored high enough to be considered for both real and personal property. **Shawn Lickey** – finished Blue Bell apartments main power supply, finished phase 3 at Countryside Mobile Home Park, replacing flags for Veteran's Day, received Tree Board removal list for the year, 2 employees moved up to 2nd year lineman, finishing up light removal at Magic Hills Golf Course.

MAYOR REPORT Mayor Daniel reported the Security Committee took a trip to Angola to see the security upgrades that were done there. He and Jeff Walker attended the Star Economic Forum and heard that basically the economy will continue on a steady roll. He advised there was a public input session for US 30 and went really well.

GOLF CART ORDINANCE Jennifer Romano shared that the Golf Cart Ordinance would be presented at the next meeting. Rosie Coyle advised she would put the ordinance in the Dropbox for review before the next meeting.

Having no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Ryan Daniel

Attest:

Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle