

**COMMON COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2019  
6:00 PM**

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 – Absent  
Daniel Weigold – Present

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

**MINUTES** Motion was made by Jennifer Romano to approve an overview of the May 28, 2019 meeting minutes as presented, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**COMPLIANCE WITH STATEMENT OF BENEFITS** Jon Myers with the W.C. EDC and Keith Nickolson of C & R Plating were present to discuss the statement of benefits for C & R Plating. Mr. Myers reported, according to their commitments made on the SB-1, C & R was shy 2 hires to be in compliance. He stated with unemployment at 2.6%, for them to be down 2 employees was quite remarkable.

Keith Nickolson reported they were struggling to find employees but business was going good. He advised they were adding a new starting wage effective July 1 and hope that will help to get the numbers back up. He shared they seek employment for individuals from the work release program as well as temp agencies.

Jon Myers advised he spoke with Dave Eisleman from Kyocera and Jerry Busche with Impact C & C and thought they were going to be present. He suggested having them come to the next meeting which would be prior to the cutoff for the CF-1.

Mayor Daniel was not sure the feeling of Council, and would certainly welcome them in, but in looking at their numbers he felt they were meeting the expectations that were laid out. He noted on their personal property they anticipated salaries of \$2.3 million and were up to \$4.7 million, which was a significant difference. He was not sure he would delay the approval but it was up to Council.

Walt Crowder felt if they appeared to be risky then that was when we needed to talk. He advised he was comfortable with what he saw.

**COMPLIANCE WITH STATEMENT OF BENEFITS – IMPACT C & C PERSONAL PROPERTY** Motion was made by Jennifer Romano to find Impact C & C in compliance with their 2015 personal property abatement, Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**COMPLIANCE WITH STATEMENT OF BENEFITS – IMPACT C & C** Motion was made by Walt Crowder to find Impact C & C in compliance with their 2016 personal property, Jennifer Romano seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**COMPLIANCE WITH STATEMENT OF BENEFITS – OAKVIEW TOOLING** Motion was made by Dan Weigold to find Oakview Tooling in compliance with their 2015 personal property, Jennifer Romano seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**COMPLIANCE WITH STATEMENT OF BENEFITS – KC JONES (C & R PLATING)**

Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to find C & R Plating in compliance with their 2015 personal property, Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**COMPLIANCE WITH STATEMENT OF BENEFITS – PRECISION PLASTICS 2014 & 2017**

Motion was made by Dan Weigold to find Precision Plastics in compliance with their 2014 real property, Jennifer Romano seconded the motion, all voted aye.

Motion was made by Walt Crowder to find Precision Plastics in compliance with their 2017 real estate improvements, Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**ORDINANCE 2019-09 SPECIAL EVENTS – 2<sup>ND</sup> READING** Motion was made by Jennifer Romano to read Ordinance 2019-09 by title only, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye. Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle read Ordinance 2019-09 an ordinance restating and amending Chapter 100 of Title IX of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia City, Indiana.

Jennifer Romano noted the Ordinance Committee discussed and the Board of Works approved an exemption to allow, during 2019, the Humane Society to bring animals to First Friday's in hopes of finding homes for them; generally pets were not allowed at special events. She advised they would need to come back to the Board if they want to continue that in 2020.

Attorney McNagny noted a change from last reading where First Friday's was extended through October.

Motion was made by Jennifer Romano to approve Ordinance 2019-09 on second and final reading, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS** **Mark Green** – asphalt finished at the Aquatics Center for pickle ball and basketball courts, the sponsor banners were up and were working on speakers at the Aquatics Center, meeting with JPR regarding the high school property, new scoreboards for the pool. **Mike Cook** – 300 S. Liftstation up and running, Board of Works approved substantial completion for Contract A for Crosby Construction, high school intern doing well, cleaning out lift stations. **Kelly Cearbaugh** – received one bid for Community Crossing paving project from Niblock and was \$20,000 lower than the engineer's estimate. **Mike Shoda** – drainage work on Grove Park Drive. **Scott Leatherman** – update on new dispatch center, 5 new officers doing well.

**AUGUST MEETING DATES** Mayor Daniel noted the Board of Works and Council meetings scheduled for August 27 are during the AIM Ideas Summit and asked Council to consider a different date for the meetings. It was decided to tentatively schedule the meetings for September 3.

**MAYOR REPORT** Working on budgets with department heads, meeting with trash contractor and depending on the outcome may need to meet with the Trash Committee.

Having no further business to come before Council the meeting was adjourned.

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Mayor Ryan Daniel

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Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle