

COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2015
7:00 P.M.

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

Council Members

Nicole Penrod – Present
Ben Romine – Present
William (Bill) Simpson – Absent
Daniel Weigold – Present
Jacie Worrick – Present

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

TAX ABATEMENT – OAK VIEW TOOL David Eizelman, President of Oakview Tool, provided background information on Oakview Tool, their vision for the company and the plan to change their name to SGS Specialty Group. He shared their plan for this year was to hire a total of 7 people to handle the new opportunities they have and by 2019 to have doubled their business and have a combined total of 19 new employees.

Jeff Walker advised he distributed the request to Council for consideration. He stated it was for a traditional 10 year abatement with a 10% sliding scale every year for the 10 years. He explained the Tax Abatement Committee met and once they did the scoring it more than exceeded the requirement and criteria for points to be considered for the tax abatement. He shared that, collectively, they felt a very positive recommendation for the 10 years was in order because of the growth and continued strategies that the company has put forth to continue with hiring good paying jobs.

Motion was made by Ben Romine to approve the statement of findings as presented, Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

RESOLUTION 2015-2: APPROVING DEDUCTION OF ASSESSED VALUATION

Motion was made by Jacie Worrick to read Resolution 2015-2 by title only, Ben Romine seconded the motion, all voted aye. Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle read Resolution 2015-2 a resolution approving the deduction of assessed valuation for personal property improvements within an economic revitalization area in Columbia City, Indiana.

Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to approve Resolution 2015-2 for a 10 year abatement, Ben Romine seconded the motion, all voted aye.

STATEMENT OF BENEFITS Motion was made by Ben Romine to approve the Statement of Benefits for Oakview Tool, Jacie Worrick seconded the motion, all voted aye.

ORDINANCE 2015-1: AMENDMENT TO THE PRETREATMENT ORDINANCE – 1ST

READING Motion was made by Ben Romine to read Ordinance 2015-1 by title only, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye. Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle read Ordinance 2015-1 an ordinance amending Chapter 55, Pretreatment of Pollutants, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia City, Indiana.

Mike Cook explained the change in lowering the discharge limit multiplier.

Motion was made by Ben Romine to approve Ordinance 2015-1 for first reading, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

MINUTES Motion was made by Ben Romine to approve an overview of the January 13, 2015 meeting minutes as presented, Jacie Worrick seconded the motion, all voted aye.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS **Mike Cook** – boiler repair quote, sludge hauling, tool inventory, regular maintenance and inspections. **Jeff Walker** – SR 205 project update. **Mike Shoda** – meter installations. **Shawn Lickey** – infrastructure at Chesapeake section III, inventory, electric upgrades. **Tim Longenbaugh** – quotes on 2 new police cars, training, Board of Works approval to start application process, meeting with Parkview Police Dept. **Kelly Cearbaugh** – snow removal, maintenance on trucks, cleaning sewers.

YOUTH COUNCIL Anna VonSeggern reported their January activities were cancelled due to weather and in December they gathered money to buy toiletries to give to the Lighthouse.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION Mayor Daniel reported he met with Rosie Coyle regarding the transfer of funds to the Redevelopment Commission for the demolition of the building downtown. He requested approval from Council to transfer \$60,000.00 from the Rainy Day Fund to the Redevelopment Commission.

Motion was made by Dan Weigold to approve transferring \$60,000 from the Rainy Day Fund to the Redevelopment Commission for the demolition of the building downtown, Jacie Worrick seconded the motion, all voted aye

FIREWORKS Mayor Daniel advised he provided additional information to Council comparing the days that were mandated to allow fireworks versus the days the City has added. He shared that information would be forwarded to Mr. Coyle. He thought Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends were the only times that were different.

Having no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Mayor Ryan Daniel

Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle