

CITY OF ELKHART CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

June 3, 2024 6:00 pm City Hall

A. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE, AND INVOCATION

Mayor Jennifer McCoy called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jennifer McCoy, Councilmembers Lucia Butler, Tammy Baughman, Tanya Conner, Mayor Pro Tem James Warren, Interim City Secretary Sunshine Alcorta and Code Enforcement Tambara Farrell, Public Works Director Eric Clark and citizen William Ellis and Michael Orsak.

Absent: Councilmember Randy McCoy.

The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by the invocation given by Mayor Pro Tem James Warren.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Citizen Michael Orsak discussed possibly widening Pilgrim Street.

C. REGULAR AGENDA

Discuss, Consider, and Possibly Take Action Regarding:

- All aspects of Public Works including but not limited to modification of the budget, on-call policy, fuel policy, personnel, and purchasing.
 - Councilmember Lucia Butler made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem James Warren, to take no action. Vote: 4-0, unanimously.
- 2. Jones Lift Station Evaluation Project.
 - Councilmember Tammy Baughman made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Tanya Conner, to allow the Mayor to inquire with grant writer companies regarding possible grant opportunities. Vote: 4-0 unanimously.
- 3. All aspects concerning recent storms including warning siren protocols, and assessment of any damage. Councilmember Lucia Butler made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem James Warren to take no action.

D. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT.

Public Works Director Eric Clark reported on the following: None

E. MUNICIPAL COURT

Code Enforcement Tambara Farrell reported on the following:

- 1. Update on open and closed code enforcement cases.
- 2. Update on animal control cases with one scheduled for June court.

F. MAYOR REPORT

Mayor McCoy reported on the following:

We are on hold at the City Park, it has been too wet. Mulch will be spread once the ground dries.

G. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORTS

Emergency management Randy McCoy reported on the following: None



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H. CLOSED SESSION

Council will convene into Closed Session pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code regarding personnel matters as follows at 6:47 p.m.:

Discuss and take action if any, of employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of.
 A. Justin Benton

I. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSIONS

- 1. Council reconvened into Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. Discussed and take action on items discussed in Closed Session.
 - A. Councilmember Tammy Baughman made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem James Warren, to terminate Justin Benton as of 6/3/2024, Mr. Benton will be eligible for rehire pending medical clearance. Vote 4-0 unanimously.

J. COUNCIL COMMENTS

None

K. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Tammy Baughman made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem James Warren to approve minutes from May 6, 2024, and May 15, 2024. Vote 4-0 unanimously.

L. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Lucia Butler made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem James Warren to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m. Vote: 4-0 unanimously.

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ATTEST:

Sunshine Alcorta, Interim City Secretary