

**COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CIVIL CITY OF UNION CITY, INDIANA
JANUARY 9, 2012**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Bryan Conklin presiding. Mayor Conklin welcomed all of those in attendance. The meeting was recorded by K.I.S.S.-TV.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & PRAYER

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all and prayer was led by Mayor Conklin.

ROLL CALL

Those in attendance were: Greg Harshman, Tim Heuss and Ron Holt, Jr. Jim Hufford and Chad Spence were absent.

Also attending were: City Manager Monte Poling, Clerk-Treasurer Anita Amspaugh, Board of Works members Susan Pyle and Philip Brewer, City Attorney Ryan Prinkey, City Judge Linda Wilcox, SPC Superintendent Rick Reichard.

Visitors were: Spring Schaupp, Jeannie Collins, Mike Collins, Amanda McFerrin of The News-Gazette, Tom Brewer, Nick Poling of KISS-TV, Whitney Poling.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisted of:

- Minutes
- Claims
- Pay Claim #6-Phoenix Fabricators-Water Tower Project-\$47,800

Tim Heuss moved to accept the Consent Agenda as presented and Ron Holt seconded. All ayes were received (3-0), motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mayor Conklin welcomed Ron Holt back from his mission to Haiti.

Mayor Conklin welcomed Nick Poling, the new KISS-TV instructor who thanked the City for the monetary contribution to improve the camera equipment which enables KISS-TV to improve the broadcast of the Council meetings. Conklin added that the contribution came from the Time Warner Cable franchise fees received by the City.

City Manager Monte Poling reported that the new water tower is presently being filled and that the old tower will be dismantled in the spring.

Poling discussed the Communities for a Lifetime program.

Poling reported that he has received notice for the final payment on the 2011 HOOR grant and that application for the next round will soon be submitted.

Poling reported that the stormwater grant will be closed out soon.

Poling reported that he will be meeting with Triton Epoxy Lining on February 3 for a discussion on lining the water mains.

City Attorney Ryan Prinkey reported on the burned out house at 719 North Plum Street and confirmed the meeting with Mayor Conklin on January 10 at 11:00 a.m. to discuss changes to the Minimum Housing Standards ordinance.

City Court Judge Linda Stemmer reported on the updates being made at the Court and on the e-ticket equipment for which the UCIPD received a grant. She announced that her new court dates and times will be on Tuesdays from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon for ordinance violations and 1:30 to finish for misdemeanors.

VISITOR QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

Jeannie Collins of 336 South Columbia Street asked for a progress report on her complaint on the garage at 328 South Columbia Street. Discussion.

PRESENTERS ON AGENDA

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Minimum Housing Standards Ordinance Violation – Mayor Conklin reported on the violation notices filed on 340 South Columbia Street which were included in the Council packet. Discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

Election of Council President – The election has been postponed to the next Council meeting due to the absence of two (2) Council members.

2012 Goals & Objectives – Mayor Conklin presented his list of goals and objectives to the Council and asked them to pick a Saturday on which to hold a strategic planning meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Conklin announced that the next regular council meeting will be on Monday, January 23, 2012, at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business to come before the Council, Tim Heuss made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Greg Harshman seconded the motion. All ayes, (3-0), motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.