

## **Westfield City Council February 27, 2012**

The Westfield City Council met in regular session Monday February 27, 2012 at the Westfield City Hall. Members present were Jim Ake, John Dippel, Steve Hoover, Bob Horkay, Bob Smith, Cindy Spoljaric and Rob Stokes. Also present Mayor Andy Cook, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Teresa Skelton and Legal Counsel Brian Zaiger with Krieg DeVault, Law Firm, LLP.

President Horkay called the meeting to order at 7:05P.M.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Rob Stokes made the motion to approve the February 13, 2012 City Council minutes as presented. Steve Hoover seconded. Vote: Yes-7; No-0. Motion carried.

### **Approval of Claims:**

Bob Smith made the motion to approve the claims as presented. John Dippel seconded. Vote: Yes-7; No-0. Motion carried.

### **Old Business:**

*Ordinance 12-01: Water Rate Adjustment*

*Council Introduction-February 13, 2012*

*Public Hearing-February 27, 2012*

*Second Reading-March 12, 2012*

*Adoption Consideration-March 12, 2012*

*Ordinance 12-02: Wastewater Rate Adjustment*

*Council Introduction-February 13, 2012*

*Public Hearing-February 27, 2012*

*Second Reading- March 12, 2012*

*Adoption Consideration-March 12, 2012*

Director of Public Works Kurt Wanninger recapped the Water and Wastewater Ordinances. He described the changes in meter size charges that were suggested after the introduction. Regardless of residential meter size there is only one rate.

Mr. Wanninger showed rate comparisons with other surrounding municipalities.

President Horkay opened the public hearing at 7:22 P.M.

Ron Thomas residing at 7 Cool Creek Circle representing Cool Creek Neighborhood Association was opposed to the rate increase ordinances. He feels that the City should enforce the developer

agreements in place rather than passing this on to the residents. He referred to salary allocations and challenged if the percentages were accurately distributed.

Allan Nordwan residing at 14742 MacDuff Court (Noblesville) spoke in opposition of the annual irrigation system permit fee.

The public hearing closed at 7:30 P.M.

The Council did not have any comments at this time to Mr. Thomas. His comments will be taken under advisement. The Council explained to Mr. Nordwan that the permit fee for irrigation is a one-time fee rather than an annual fee.

**Mayor Comments:**

Mayor Cook spoke of the tax rate and how the City of Westfield has kept the rate down. The City is one component that makes up the entire tax rate.

Steve Hoover made the motion to adjourn. John Dippel seconded. Vote: Yes-7; No-0. Motion carried.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

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Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

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President