

## **Westfield City Council May 14, 2012**

The Westfield City Council met in regular session Monday May 14, 2012 at the Westfield City Hall. Members present were Jim Ake, John Dippel, Bob Smith, Bob Horkay, Steve Hoover, Cindy Spoljaric and Rob Stokes. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Cindy Gossard, Mayor Andy Cook and Legal Counsel Brian Zaiger with Krieg DeVault, LLC.

Mayor Cook called the meeting to order at 7:00P.M.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Rob Stokes made the motion to approve the April 9, 2012 City Council minutes as presented. John Dippel seconded. Vote: Yes-7; No-0. Motion carried.

### **Claims:**

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

### **Miscellaneous Business/Special Presentation:**

#### ***Special Presentations:***

#### ***Movies in the Park***

Westfield High School Social Studies teacher Mark Ewing introduced students of the Executive Committee.

Several students described the proposal of "Movies in the Park". This would take place at Asa Bales Park. They explained how this idea came to light and some of the research that went in to the proposal.

The Council and Mayor were supportive of this proposal and congratulated the students on their efforts. They also recognized Mr. Ewing for supporting the students.

#### ***Bike It-Ride to benefit the Prostrate Cancer Fund***

Bike It Chairperson Shaune Shelby described the program. He was grateful for the support of the City and presented a plaque to the Mayor.

#### ***Miscellaneous Business:***

#### ***Quarterly Downtown Westfield Association Report***

Director of DWNA Annie Poynter updated the Council on goals and projects through a power point presentation. This is the first of ongoing quarterly updates to the Council.

#### ***Proclamation: Municipal Government Week***

Mayor Cook presented this to Council President Bob Horkay, declaring May 14 through May 18 as Municipal Government Week.

*Proclamation: Public Works Week*

Mayor Cook presented this to Public Works Director Kurt Wanninger, declaring May 20 through May 26 as Public Works Week.

**Old Business:**

*Ordinance 12-12: Amendment to Traffic Regulations*

*Introduction – April 9, 2011*

*Second Reading – May 14, 2012*

*Adoption Consideration – May 14, 2011*

Brian Zaiger described the ordinance and some of the changes.

Jim Ake made a motion to approve Ordinance 12-12 as presented. Cindy Spoljaric seconded.  
Vote: Yes-7; No-0. Motion carried.

**New Business:**

President Horkay announced that there will be a change in order of the agenda to allow for Resolution 12-104 and Resolution 12-105 to be heard first under new business.

*Resolution 12-104: Library Issuance of Bonds*

*Adoption Consideration – May 14, 2012*

Brian Zaiger introduced this item. He explained that this request is coming from the Westfield Library Board.

Attorney for Library Ron Wright introduced the Library Board President Mike Thomas.

Mr. Thomas representing the Westfield Library Board presented a power point presentation to the Council. He shared some statistics and programing while explaining that there are limitations on space. The new bonds will be retired in 2022.

After much discussion and determining that although not required the Council will allow public input at the next meeting. This resolution will come back and possibly considered at the June Council meeting.

*Resolution 12-105: Transfer of Funds- Investment Fund to Rainy Day Fund*

*Adoption Consideration- May 14, 2012*

Brian Zaiger presented Resolution 12-105 and explained this is as a clerical transfer of funds. It does not increase the budget.

After some discussion Bob Smith made the motion to approve Resolution 12-105 as presented. Steve Hoover seconded. Vote Yes-7; No-0. Motion carried.

*Hall and House PUD Ordinance*

*Council Introduction – May 14, 2012*  
*APC Public Hearing – June 4, 2012*  
*APC Recommendation – June 18, 2012*  
*Adoption Consideration – July 9, 2011*

Planner Ryan Clark introduced this PUD to the Council. He described the current zoning and the description of the property. This is an effort to place some of the businesses that could be displaced due to the U.S. 31 project.

After some discussion it was Council's consensus to forward this item on to the Advisory Plan Commission (APC).

*Ordinance 12-15: Transfer of Funds-Greenspace Beautification Fund to Greenspace Fund*  
*Introduction – May 14, 2012*  
*Second Reading – June 11, 2012*  
*Adoption Consideration – June 11, 2012*

Parks Director Melody Jones described the revenue that is coming in to support the Greenspace Beautification.

#### **CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Jim Ake recognized "Heart and Soul" medical clinic. The Tea/Fashion show was success. He also recognized Sandy Kirsch at the clinic for her hard work and spiritual vision.

Jim Ake also announced the "Bark Park" effort. Everyone can vote each day on line for a "Bark Park" in Westfield. If selected there would money granted for this purpose. There is land set aside for this.

John Dippel spoke regarding Brendon O'Hara with Song Bird Reality. He is in negotiation with property owner at the Southwest Corner of 161<sup>st</sup> Street and Springmill Road. This corner has been identified as the number one corner for a pharmacy.

#### **MAYOR COMMENTS:**

John Hart's Union Street Flats will begin construction soon.

The grading and seeding package for Grand Park is ready to roll out.

186<sup>th</sup> Street project extension to the West is underway.

There are continued discussions with the Soccer Association on an indoor facility. The YMCA has expressed an interest in being a part of that.

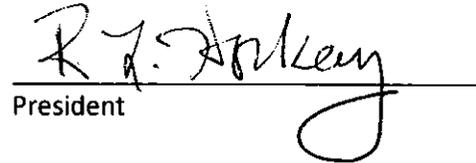
Director of Community and Economic Development Matt Skelton thanked the Council for adopting the Grass and Weed Control Ordinance a year ago. This has allowed his department to enforce some vacancies that are not maintained.

The filings for permits have increased by 10 per cent from last year.  
He also spoke regarding the activity going on with Economic Development, in particular with Grand Park.

Steve Hoover made a motion to adjourn. Rob Stokes seconded. Vote: Yes-7; No-0.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

  
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

  
President