

Minutes
Seymour Common Council
January 9, 2023

The December 12th, 2022, City Council was called to order by Mayor Matt Nicholson at 7:00pm. Invocation was given by Les Linz, and the Pledge of Allegiance to the nation's flag was recited. A virtual option was available.

Members Present: Mayor Matt Nicholson, Clerk/Treasurer Darrin Boas, Brett Cunningham, Matt Wheeler, Jerry Hackney, Seth Davidson, Dave Earley, City Attorney Chris Engleking (virtually), Police Chief O'Brien, Les Linz, Zach Spicer, Drew Storey, Chad Hubbard, Fire Chief Lucas, January Rutherford, and DPW Chad Dixon.

On a motion by Mr. Hackney, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, the minutes from the December 12th council meeting were approved.

Reports from Committees, Boards, and Commissions

- None to report.

Public Hearing

- None to report.

Old Business

- None to report.

New Business

- A. Councilman Hackney introduced Ordinance No. 1, Council Bill No. 1 (2023), seconded by Mr. Wheeler, an Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Seymour, Indiana Amending the Salaries of the Appointed Officials and Employees of the City of Seymour, IN, for the year 2023. This is due to the signing of the Fire and Police contracts, as they took a 4% raise vs. the 5% to increase their longevity from 20 to 25 years which will increase their pension base. No additional funds needed to be allocated as this was basically cost neutral. On a motion by Mr. Hackney, seconded by Mr. Wheeler, the Ordinance passed first reading 7-0.

- B. Councilman Hackney introduced Resolution No. 1, Council Bill No. 2 (2023), seconded by Mr. Wheeler, a Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Seymour, Indiana Approving an expenditure of ARP funds by the Seymour Fire Department. This is for an additional \$45,000 of the unallocated ARP funds to be added to the preapproved \$160,000 for their Preemption devices for the stop lights. The additional dollars are for beacons to be added at the top of the stop lights. On a motion by Mr. Hackney, seconded by Mr. Wheeler the resolution passed 7-0.

- C. Councilman Hackney introduced Ordinance No. 2, Council Bill No. 3 (2023), seconded by Mr. Wheeler, an Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Seymour, Indiana Creating New Fire Department Budget Line Item, and approving transfer of Fire Department Funds. Chief Lucas spoke and wants to create a Promotional Line and move \$2500 from their 2023 budget Telephone line to this new line. On a motion by Mr. Hackney, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, the Ordinance passed first reading 7-0.

- D. Election of Common Council President for 2023. The Mayor accepted nominations for President, and one nomination by Mr. Storey, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, was submitted for Dave Earley. No other nominations were made. On a vote by the Council, Mr Earley was elected 6-1.

Miscellaneous Business

- The Mayor thanked Mr. Storey for getting the picture of Mr. Robinson for the Colt's Man of the Year.

Adjournment

- On a motion by Mr. Hackney, seconded by Mr. Storey, the meeting was properly adjourned.

Mayor Matt Nicholson

Attest: Darrin Boas, Clerk/Treasurer