

The Common Council of the City of Connersville held their regular meeting on Monday, April 1, 2024, at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Councilwoman Barrett led the Pledge of Allegiance and Pastor Buchanan offered invocation before the start of the meeting.

Mayor Chad Frank presided and called the meeting to order with Councilwoman Sharon McQueen, Councilwoman Jenny Barrett, Councilman Tommy Lee Williams Jr., Councilwoman Diana Phillips, Councilman Brian Robb, Councilman Bill Gray, and Councilman Jabin Collins were present. Attorney Geoff Wesling was also present.

Councilwoman Barrett made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2024, regular meeting; Councilman Williams Jr. seconded the motion. All Council members voted "yes."

Clerk Treasurer Rosemary Brown requested approval of **Resolution 2024-14**, a resolution to reimburse Fifteen and 00/100 dollars (\$15.00) into City Hall Telephone, **Resolution 2024-15**, a resolution to reimburse Fifteen and 00/100 dollars (\$15.00) into Cable Telephone, and **Resolution 2024-16**, a resolution to reimburse Six Hundred Sixty and 00/100 dollars (\$600.00) into Police Telephone. Councilwoman Phillips made the motion to approve **Resolution 2024-14, -15 and -16**, Councilman Gray seconded the motion. All Councilmembers voted "yes".

Clerk Treasurer Rosemary Brown requested approval of **Resolution 2024-13**, a resolution to loan 2204 Park's Department Two Hundred Thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$200,000.00) from 2209 EDIT fund. Councilwoman Phillips made the motion to approve **Resolution 2024-13**, Councilwoman Barrett seconded the motion. All Councilmembers voted "yes".

Mayor Chad Frank presented Emergency Route during the day of the Eclipse. It will be in place for locals only. It will also allow emergency vehicles to get from one end of the city to the other. Mayor Frank stated the other things we need to watch for: vehicles will be towed if they are out of gas, and dog bites. Everyone needs to be patient. Governor Holcomb asked everyone to stay home. Monday's trash will be picked up on Tuesday.

Tom Barclay with Commonwealth Engineering is the Connersville Utilities and Town of Glenwood Water Engineering firm. Town of Glenwood would like to run water from Connersville. They currently have 2 wells with poor quality water. A small town normally would use a Rural Development Loan, but they currently do not have any funds to loan out. SRF is the next logical next step. They require design work which will take 9 – 12 months and needs to be completed prior to the funding. The current cost for the design work is \$1.38 million, which they are requesting a zero-interest loan from the neighboring communities until the SRF funding and/or grants. They currently have promises from Fayette County Council for up to \$350,000.00 and Economic Development for up to \$350,000.00. They will be asking Rushville Board of Works, the Rush County Council, Connersville Board of Works, and Connersville City Council.

Mayor Frank stated that we were not to take any action at this time. This would benefit residential growth along 44 West. Rushville may want some compacity also. That would be all on them to pay for it from Glenwood to Rushville.

Councilwoman Phillips made a motion to adjourn with Councilman Robb seconding. All Council members voted "yes."


Chad A. Frank, Mayor

ATTEST:


Rosemary Brown, Clerk Treasurer