

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
VALPARAISO, INDIANA  
March 30, 2020**

The Common Council of the City of Valparaiso, Indiana, met on Monday March 30, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. by teleconference call. Mayor Murphy called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Present were Councilmembers Reed, Cotton (late), Schmidt, Pupillo, Anderson, Costas and Douglas.

**MINUTES**

Minutes of the March 9, 2020 meeting have not been distributed and therefore will not be considered at tonight's meeting.

**ORDINANCE NO. 3, 2020**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALPARAISO,  
INDIANA, AMENDING ORDINANCES 29-2011 CONCERNING THE  
ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ADVISORY HUMAN RELATIONS COUNCIL WITHIN  
THE CITY OF VALPARAISO, INDIANA**

Councilmember Douglas moved that Ordinance No. 3, 2020 be read a second time by title and a third time in full and be considered for adoption and the opportunity be given for the offering of amendments. Councilmember Reed seconded the motion. Clerk-Treasurer Taylor read the Ordinance. Councilmember Douglas moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3, 2020. Councilmember Reed seconded the motion.

Upon roll call vote the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 3, 2020 passed with a 6-0 vote.

**ORDINANCE NO. 4, 2020**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALPARAISO,  
INDIANA AMENDING ORDINANCE 31 -2019 CONCERNING COLLECTION BOXES**

Councilmember Douglas moved that Ordinance No. 4, 2020 be read a second time by title and a third time in full and be considered for adoption and the opportunity be given for the offering of amendments. Councilmember Reed seconded the motion. Clerk-Treasurer Taylor read the Ordinance. Councilmember Douglas moved to adopt Ordinance No. 4, 2020. Councilmember Reed seconded the motion.

Upon roll call vote the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 4, 2020 passed with a 7-0 vote.

**ORDINANCE NO. 5, 2020**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALPARAISO,  
INDIANA, AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE SEC. 94.172 AS TO RATES AND  
CHARGES**

Councilmember Douglas moved that Ordinance No. 5, 2020 be read a second time by title and a third time in full and be considered for adoption and the opportunity be given for the offering of amendments. Councilmember Reed seconded the motion. Clerk-Treasurer Taylor read the Ordinance. Councilmember Douglas moved to adopt Ordinance No. 5, 2020. Councilmember Reed seconded the motion.

Upon roll call vote the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 5, 2020 passed with a 7-0 vote.

**ORDINANCE NO. 6, 2020**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALPARAISO,  
INDIANA, TO REESTABLISH A UNIFORM RATE FOR THE VALPARAISO FIRE  
PROTECTION TERRITORY EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT FUND**

Councilmember Douglas moved that Ordinance No. 6, 2020 be read a second time by title and a third time in full and be considered for adoption and the opportunity be given for the offering of

amendments. Councilmember Reed seconded the motion. Clerk-Treasurer Taylor read the Ordinance. Councilmember Douglas moved to adopt Ordinance No. 6, 2020. Councilmember Reed seconded the motion.

Mayor Murphy announced that Ordinance No. 6, 2020 requires a Public Hearing and advised he had Proof of Publication that at tonight's meeting the Council would consider reestablishing a uniform rate for the Fire Protection Territory Equipment Replacement Fund. The Public has been notified and encouraged to send an email prior to the meeting if they had any questions or concerns regarding this Ordinance. Having received none, Mayor Murphy declared the Public Hearing closed.

Upon roll call vote the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 6, 2020 passed with a 7-0 vote.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Councilmember Reed announced school board appointment applications will be available on the City's web page beginning tomorrow. Applications will be accepted through April 24, 2020 at noon. May 4 and 18 will be interviews.

Councilmember Cotton discussed his opinion that the City Council should pass a Resolution requesting the County Commissioners to take a portion of the Foundation – proceeds from the sale of the hospital – money and distribute it to the citizens of Valparaiso to help with the hardship caused by the corona virus. Councilmember Douglas reminded him that the Federal Government is sending checks to every citizen for this purpose.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

/s/ Holly Taylor, Clerk-Treasurer