
Work Session

The Common Council of New Albany, Indiana, will be having a Work Session to receive an update on Storm Water on Thursday, July 21, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the third floor Assembly Room of the City County Building. Should you have any questions regarding this meeting please see the City Clerk in Room 332.

Vicki Glotzbach, City Clerk.

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA, WILL HOLD A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE CITY/COUNTY BUILDING ON THURSDAY, JULY 21, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M.

INVOCATION: To be given by ministers of different faiths, if present. If none are present, then a moment of reflection.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

APPROVAL OR CORRECTION OF THE FOLLOWING MINUTES:

**Work Session Meeting Minutes for June 16, 2016
Work Session Meeting Minutes for June 30, 2016
Public Hearing Meeting Minutes for July 7, 2016
Regular Meeting Minutes for July 7, 2016**

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC (AGENDA ITEMS):

COMMUNICATIONS – COUNCIL:

COMMUNICATIONS – MAYOR:

COMMUNICATIONS – OTHER CITY DEPARTMENTS OR CITY OFFICIALS:

REPORTS – COMMITTEES, BOARDS OR OTHER OFFICIALS AS REQUESTED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE COUNCIL:

APPROVAL OF CF-1 FORMS:

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

READING

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS:

R-16-09	Resolution Regarding Adoption of Abatement Schedule	Caesar
R-16-10	Resolution in Support of New Albany Floyd County Schools Referendum	Knable/Barksdale

BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC (NON-AGENDA ITEMS):

ADJOURN:

INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES WHO MAY REQUIRE SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO ATTEND THE ABOVE MENTIONED MEETINGS MAY MAKE THEIR REQUEST KNOWN BY CONTACTING THE CITY CLERK IN ROOM 332 OF THE CITY/COUNTY BUILDING OR BY CALLING 948.5336

**THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY,
INDIANA, HELD A COUNCIL WORK SESSION IN THE THIRD FLOOR
ASSEMBLY ROOM OF THE CITY/COUNTY BUILDING ON THURSDAY,
JUNE 16, 2016 AT 6:00 P.M.**

The meeting of the **New Albany City Council** was called to order by Mr. McLaughlin at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Council Members, Mr. Coffey, Mr. Caesar, Mr. Phipps, Mr. Blair, Mr. Aebersold, Mr. Barksdale and President McLaughlin. Mr. Nash and Dr. Knable were not present.

OTHERS PRESENT: Mr. Lorch, Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. McCormick, Mrs. Moeller, Officer Davidson and Mrs. Glotzbach

Mr. Wilkinson stated that he would like Mr. McCormick to walk through the financial numbers in his reports first and then he will go through the operations of the plant, the relining project, and operations.

Mark McCormick stated that he is a partner of Rodefer Moss and they do the accounting for the sewer utility. He explained that they get the receipts and disbursements every month and post those as well as reconcile the bank accounts and create the financial reports. He went through the report and discussed the information that is presented each month. He explained that they break out the sewer utility and sanitation as two separate line items because the funds that are collected for sanitation and storm water is collected through the utility account and then it is transferred out. He stated that each report includes a summary of the sewer side and through three months this year the revenue is at \$3,088,000.00 vs the budget of \$3,592,000.00 and the biggest drop was in the sewage fees which is about \$500,000.00 off budget. He discussed the expense side and stated that the budget was \$3,886,000.00 and the actual was \$3,941,000.00, which is a net loss of \$852,000.00. He went over the non-sewer revenue and transfers and stated that is something they track. He discussed the cash balances that are available and went over what is involved in the reporting of these numbers and what it is included. He stated that they have done the sewer fund for quite a few years but from a cash position it is probably about the strongest it has been. He explained that there are three main operating accounts that include two at Main Source and one at Your Community Bank and they include the bank reconciliations with the reports each month. He stated that on the last page of the report they also include the wastewater general ledger and if they would like to see the numbers for the entire year that is something they could do.

Mr. Blair asked if they could get the information by line item.

Mr. McCormick stated that he would email it to him.

Mr. Caesar stated that they keep seeing these balances come down and he would think that there is some strong history there and asked why that can't be calculated more accurately.

Mr. McCormick stated that he is not involved in the budget process so Mr. Wilkinson may be the one to ask. He explained that they can't predict everything that is going to happen and when something does happen that wasn't planned it can lead to the line items being off. He stated that many of the big costs go to the future projects and they have to make sure they are in compliance so that they don't get back to the state that they were in years ago.

Mr. Caesar stated that he just doesn't want to be there again.

Mr. McCormick stated that that they also have to consider that costs go up so a rate increase or cost of living increase may be necessary.

Mr. Wilkinson stated that he is going to go through the different departments systematically and passed photos around for the council to review. He gave a quick history of utility starting with 2009 when things weren't going so well which lead to starting the process to get the rate increase. He explained that in 2010 they received a loan from SRF for specific projects that included relining equipment purchasing and a requirement of that loan was that they would have to run the collection system and take care of any EPA large capital projects out of cash flow. He stated that this began the buildup of the balance. He explained that they spent the first year getting their accounts paid up and straightening out the bonds. He stated that the blue book shows the bills that were owed at the time of the rate increase and the documents will gradually show how they walked out of that with the capital projects and with the purchase of the lining equipment. He explained that they had a \$350,000.00 obligation that they were supposed to get from Georgetown and a lawsuit that was around \$400,000.00 and they cleared both of those items in the same year. He stated that the EMC contract ended in December of 2012 and at that time they only took half of the EDIT and TIF money that had previously been utilized by the sewer department for assistance, and it was the last year that they used that money. He explained that some interesting things are developing gradually with the relining operation. He stated that they have 207 miles of clay pipe in the city and to date they had lined 12 miles, which means that in 55 years they will have completely relined the city. He explained that what they will do for the city is save \$48 per lineal foot and anywhere that is paved you could add another \$100 a foot, which could equal savings of almost \$1M a year.

Mr. Caesar asked if the pipes include those going into residents houses.

Mr. Wilkinson stated that is correct. He explained that any activity in the department is going to result in a large number because they can't do any project without it being at least \$1M and all these money saving efforts will pay off. He discussed the photos that were passed around and the correlating projects and stated that they have to present each project to the EPA and they have to approve it before they move on to the engineering. He touched on the bonds and explained that he takes the info out of the Crowe Horwath report to get those numbers. He stated that in 2010 they had about \$75M outstanding in bonds and today they are down to \$42M and they will be totally paid off in 8 years. He stated that in 2011 the Consent Decree memorandum of understanding was 11 pages long with 75 locations where violations were occurring and today they are down to 15. He explained that they have four projects that are in process right now that includes McLean Lift Station, Grant Line Road Lift Station and they have the engineering definitions done for Old Vincennes Lift Station. He stated that they did an analysis of current operations to see if they need TIF and EDIT assistance and now they need to get a rate study so they know where they are.

Mr. Blair stated that he mentioned that they are online to get those projects done and he went through the list and it says \$7.3M estimated for the projects yet they only have \$5M in the account that can be used for it. He explained that when he looks at five year plan based on where we are financially there is no way they can cover it with the current revenue stream they have coming in.

Mr. Wilkinson stated that the only thing they have to cover is about \$5M because several of projects are already paid for. He explained that they have sufficient funds to do all of the projects in the five-year plan.

Mr. Blair stated that he disagrees based on what he sees and where they are. He explained that revenue is 2.2% less than it was five years ago and stated that it is critical to find out what has happened with this.

Mr. Wilkinson stated that the projects will be done in mid-2017 and the money is in the bank to deal with it. He explained that the EPA is looking to them to reduce the overflows. He stated that they are going to assist with the North Y Project because they may end up with a storage facility there to monitor flow. He added that he is always available outside of the meetings to answer any questions.

Mr. Blair stated that he looked at the trends for the last five years and revenues are less than what they were and have consistently declined. He added that expenses have increased about the same and this past year is the first time they have had a negative cash flow. He stated that he thinks it is critical to answer why revenue has been declining and they need to look at bringing more people onto the system. He explained that he looks at what they are projecting and they don't have the cash to get all those projects completed. He went over several line items that are of concern for him and asked that these things be clarified.

6:40 p.m. Mr. Coffey and Mr. Barksdale entered the meeting.

Mr. Aebersold asked about bypassing sewer tap-in fees and if it is a large amount of money that they are missing out on.

Mr. Wilkinson stated that they don't bypass anyone with the exception of facilitating the hook up of the Coyle Property to keep them in New Albany. He explained that they felt this was an investment that would return very quickly.

Mr. Coffey stated that he wants to know why we haven't done EPA projects that were mandated years ago.

Mr. Wilkinson asked what projects he is speaking of.

Mr. Coffey stated that he could get a list to him.

Mr. Wilkinson explained that none of the things he is talking about happening 10-15 years ago are happening now. He stated that starting with the rate increase in 2010 the SRF loan was \$7.3M and that money never came to them, it went to the contractors. He explained that those projects that were identified were bid out, the lowest bid did the work, and the money came from the state. He stated that the next projects that they have on the five-year plan comes out of the reserves and the lending agencies absolutely dictated that they had to take the capital projects out of their working capital and that is the reason the cash was built up.

6:50 p.m. Mr. Nash entered the meeting.

Mr. Coffey asked if the all of the projects are finished from the consent decree.

Mr. Wilkinson explained that he was not part of the consent decree but everything that they have agreed to do is done. He stated that the consent decree doesn't dictate what projects to do, but they approve the projects that are requested by the city.

Mr. Blair asked when they would be finished with all of the projects from the consent decree.

Mr. Wilkinson stated that the rules are not to overflow and the regulations calls for them to not have a leak anywhere so they are working to plug the last 14 holes and then they will release them.

Mr. Barksdale stated that Mr. Wilkinson has met with many of the council members and he really appreciated his willingness to set down and go through all of this information.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Pat McLaughlin, President

Vicki Glotzbach, City Clerk

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INDIANA, HELD A COUNCIL WORK SESSION IN THE THIRD FLOOR
ASSEMBLY ROOM OF THE CITY/COUNTY BUILDING ON THURSDAY,
JUNE 30, 2016 AT 1:30 P.M.**

The meeting of the **New Albany City Council** was called to order by Mr. McLaughlin at 1:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Council Members, Mr. Caesar, Mr. Phipps, Mr. Nash, Mr. Blair, Mr. Aebersold, Mr. Barksdale, Dr. Knable and President McLaughlin. Mr. Coffey was not present.

OTHERS PRESENT: Ms. Smallwood and Mrs. Glotzbach

Mr. McLaughlin stated that the North Y Project is finished so if any council members have a chance, go by to check it out.

Ms. Smallwood asked what the expectations for today are.

Mr. Barksdale stated that he would like to get to know the council members a little better and learn what their goals are.

Ms. Smallwood stated that part of what she has done is researched all of the work that the council has done in the past five years and the objective of this session is to kind of get the members on the same map and going in the same direction to make the best decisions for New Albany. She stated that she knows of a vision driven municipality that is 43 square miles, employs 60,000+, is community driven, has a transportation system, is clean, safe, attractive, fun and growing. She asked the council members where they would think it is. She then revealed that it is Disney, which is a municipality that is vision driven. She said that some of the things that she likes to teach from is how we can learn from those people who are doing it successfully and what can be done to implement it here. She said that Disney is not the one she wants to talk about today. She said she visited McDonough, Georgia, which is the geranium city. She said is it adorable and is small town USA, Main Street USA and has been warned that growth is coming. She said that they started on infrastructure first by working on sewers, expanding roads and working on annexations. She stated that they are purposely getting ready for that while keeping Main Street USA revitalized. She said that another community that she visited was Inverness, Florida that is 7 square miles but they have a capital action plan of what they want to implement in their community, which she showed the council. She said they want to be a community that welcomes a slower lifestyle. She said there are other examples out there of communities that are doing what this council is setting out to do. She added that here we know that the bridges are going to affect major change such as slowing traffic for sure.

Dr. Knable stated that he doesn't think the bridge impact will be as big as River Ridge in the long run.

Mr. Caesar stated that he thinks the bridge impact will about a weeklong.

Dr. Knable stated that River Ridge will be the next generation.

Ms. Smallwood then went over the strategic planning process that she used and reviewed it with the council. She went over foundation, vision, objective/goals, tactic actions, comprehensive plan, scorecard, implementation and monitoring.

Mr. Barksdale stated that he sort of looks back to see where we were 5-10 years ago and he feels that we are making strides already and have a really good foundation for people wanting to come to our city.

Ms. Smallwood then went over communication clarity and asked everyone to fill out the personality combination test. She went over everyone's scores and explained them. She then passed out a list of values and asked each member to pick their top five. She went over the results and reviewed them with the members. She went over the definition of the roles of city councils from the National League of Cities. She then asked the council to come up with definitions of their own and some of the definitions were community leader, advocates, voice and liaison with executive branch.

Mr. Caesar stated that currently their only job is to make sure we have a balanced budget.

Ms. Smallwood asked the council what their role is and how they are playing all of this out for the purpose of what they want to accomplish which is to grow New Albany.

Mr. Caesar stated that the way it is set up, that is actually the administration's job to decide how it is going to grow.

Ms. Smallwood stated that what she is finding in her research is that there is not a set clear communication of what the vision is for New Albany primarily because of the advertising. She said that there is not a strong promotion behind it to the community. She said that you want to attract and how we are attracting is the bottom line to how that gets messaged out. She said that the message of it is the result of all of the council's work and in a marketing sense you can be intentional about that. She said that they go back to tactics and actions, which is the comprehensive plan that comes from the administration. She added that the council gives their stamp of approval by paying for things through appropriations. She also added that the communication from the administration helps when the council knows how things fit into the vision.

Mr. Phipps stated that the reason that he thinks that she didn't find the vision is because there isn't one. He explained that is no criticism to the administration or the council but he doesn't think that New Albany has had a vision for decades. He said that we have done things to make progress but there is no masterplan or strategic plan that is guiding it. He stated that he has been involved in those in other places and sometimes you put a lot of work into doing those and you still don't do it but at least there is a template to go by.

Ms. Smallwood stated that she hopes that through this process today the council will see that there can be somewhat of a template for decision-making. She is going to recommend that the different departments that have projects explain to you how it will grow New Albany.

Mr. McLaughlin stated that he has seen what has gone on for about four or five administrations and what has happened in the last six years has really been progressive.

Mr. Nash stated that we went through a period of about 15 years of not having a mayor reelected and he felt that held us back a little bit because it is hard to get a lot done in only four years.

Mr. Barksdale stated that he thinks the continuity is going to help New Albany coming up.

Dr. Knable asked if any of those previous executive officers articulated a vision because he agrees with Mr. Phipps that there really hasn't been a vision.

Mr. McLaughlin stated that what he observed was almost as if a council would make or break an administration and that was the culture. He added that it wasn't really a party issue but mostly personality issues.

Dr. Knable stated that you could still articulate a vision on day one and communicate what you would like to accomplish. He also stated that even if the mayor has a bad

relationship with the council, he could still go to the people and communicate what he wants to do. He said there are some short-term projects that are very promising on the books but New Albany needs a target or we are never going to get anywhere.

Mr. McLaughlin stated that it was politics for the past 20 years so we didn't have the opportunity but now we have that opportunity.

Mr. Phipps stated that he thinks New Albany has been more reactive than proactive. He said that Clarksville developed Veteran's Parkway when it was a field and when you build it, people will come. He said that we wait until there is traffic congestion somewhere and we widen ½ mile of the road that barely does anything for the traffic problem. He explained that we wait until there is an issue and then we try to fix it as opposed to trying to be on forefront like creating a Veteran's Parkway.

Dr. Knable stated that some of the examples that Ms. Smallwood provided were literally built from the ground up and New Albany has been here 200 years so we have a lot of infrastructure that is decaying around us and a lot of ingrained cultural inertia to change.

Mr. Blair stated that having a blank canvass is an advantage but we have a lot of heritage and a lot of positive things that we can build on so maybe that's our vision to just continue to build on what we have.

Mr. Barksdale stated that the Main Street in Disney recreates something that we have.

Dr. Knable commented that theirs is only 40 years old and ours is 200 years old.

Mr. Caesar stated that about the only thing that he campaigned on were the two words clean and safe.

Ms. Smallwood stated that Disney has a trash can every 30 feet so they have a full strategic plan to keep everything clean because that is a huge value to them.

Dr. Knable stated that he loves Disney and has read several biographies but one advantage they have is that if someone repeatedly dumps trash cans over there they can be escorted out of the park but we can't remove people from the city.

Ms. Smallwood passed out a tally of ordinances passed since 2012 and an ordinance recent activity report that she went over with the council.

Mr. Blair stated that it is just based on the number of ordinances and not on actual time spent because the council spent an enormous amount of time on the parks department but it was just one ordinance.

Ms. Smallwood stated that instead of time spent it was just the percentage of the number of ordinances. She then passed out a spreadsheet of resolutions and reviewed it with the council. She said that she noticed their biggest resolutions come through giving tax benefits to businesses and in the last couple of years the council has done more cultural resolutions. She said that this information shows that the council is putting out in the community what they stand for and it also shows that the council is very business friendly and economic development is important as well.

Break time was 2:50 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Ms. Smallwood stated that she wanted to talk about vision and what New Albany will look like in 1-5 years, 10-15 years, etc. She also wanted to talk about what the council will be known for. She went over the 2010 Census information for the zip code of 47150 using the 80/20 rule and stated that it included the city and county so the numbers were slightly off. She stated that the bulk of the council's constituency falls in Gen X and Gen Y so you will want to look at the things they are interested in, their lifestyles and their values.

Mr. Nash stated that part of the problem with this is that the first two groups are electing the people that are governing the next two groups because X and Y aren't voting very well yet.

Ms. Smallwood stated that council members can become community mentors for the next generation. She said that another way to tell who is in your constituency is through a tapestry which is free online at www.esri.com. She then went over the tapestry information for the zip code 47150 and reviewed it with the council. She said that this area is 20% traditional living, 13% rustbelt traditions and 11% hardscrabble road.

Dr. Knable asked about the other 56%.

Ms. Smallwood stated that it wasn't listed in the tapestry so this was all she included. She added that these were the top three.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding attracting more voters.

Ms. Smallwood stated that she sees it as an opportunity to set yourselves apart as a city. She explained that if the council through community advocacy and leadership outside of here increases voter rate that sets the city apart from everyone in the region. She added that the more you have people engaged the stronger your vision is going to be supported.

Mr. Phipps stated that he thinks they want informed voters.

Mr. Nash stated that he thinks it goes back to the mayors not being reelected. He explained that they tried to do something and it made people mad so those people that didn't vote before went ahead and voted because they were against the people in charge.

Mr. Barksdale stated that they weren't really voting for someone they were voting against someone.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding Gen X and Gen Y.

Ms. Smallwood stated that Gen X needs life/work balance and Gen Y is not doing themselves any favors by not stepping up to take leadership roles. She also stated that millennials have a sense of entitlement and an instant fear reaction. She said that mentorship from Gen X is very important. She also said that convenience is a big deal for Gen X and innovation and the cool factor are big deals for millennials so when you can combine the two together, you have a winner for the bulk of those groups. She then went over the needs of the community and the strengths and weaknesses that the council pointed as well as threats and opportunities. She explained that strengths and weaknesses are internal and threats and opportunities are external.

Dr. Knable stated that he believes that typically all of the threats could become opportunities.

Ms. Smallwood stated that having a vision and guiding it effectively along the way is a big deal. She went over missions and visions of other groups such as Develop New Albany, The Ohio River Greenway Commission, One Southern Indiana and Mayor Gahan's Administration. She then described the pillars as the values that drive decisions. She asked for values from the council and they came up with safety, cleanliness, strong foundation to build on and live on, good leadership, communication, integrity, fun and business-friendly. She then suggested that perhaps all of these values could be grouped into livability.

Break time was 4:20 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Ms. Smallwood asked if anyone had seen One Southern Indiana's strategic plan or how they have structured it. She said that she is a big fan of this method and stated that they

have core values which are collaborative, proactive, resourceful, integrity and results oriented. She also said that there is a description of each of the values. She then moved on to their strategic priorities and reviewed them with the council and said that this is the direction that a clear cut strategic plan works and produces results toward the vision. She explained that having these pillars is a really great way for the council to ask if it fits the vision. She said that she wants to know how deep the council wants to go with the strategic priorities to accomplish the vision for New Albany. She also said that if you were to be proactive about something then your strategic priorities would be your strengths and opportunities.

Mr. Blair stated that he is looking for the council to have a shared vision and then focusing on accomplishing that vision.

Ms. Smallwood asked what a vision looks like for him.

Mr. Blair stated that he is back to livability issues as far as asking if we need to put high priority on things like flooding, street paving, sidewalks, etc. He added that sometimes the council will have a presentation on something and then will not follow up with taking the next steps to getting it accomplished. He gave the example that four years ago storm water had \$6M for projects and have spent only half of that so he questioned if that was all they could accomplish in a four year period. He said that he feels if the council would stay more focused on it then we would probably see more done. He then discussed walkable sidewalks and stated that is going to mean different things to different people because he just thinks of walkable sidewalks as they are not crumbling and in good repair but others may think of a walkable sidewalks as a walkable city as far as the two-way streets issue.

Dr. Knable stated that at the very least we should have functional sidewalks that are maintained and ADA compliant.

Ms. Smallwood then discussed infrastructure such as streets and storm water and asked what that looks like when it is working well.

Mr. Caesar stated that we had it working pretty well.

Mr. Blair stated that to him it is that people's basements aren't flooded which is the very minimum. He said that you then have to worry about water in the streets and yards.

Mr. Caesar stated that sanitation is a big deal as well but we are good on that right now.

Dr. Knable stated that there is a little bit of a hiccup with the new contract because people aren't aware that they have to call ahead for large bulk removal. He said that he knew a memo went out in the last bill but it wouldn't have hurt to have it in the last three bills. He then discussed projects like McDonald Lane where the streets are already torn up and stated that every time that the ground is being broken we should be putting in municipal fiber optic that we can charge for the service on. He added that a lot of businesses are looking for that and want to know the capacity.

Ms. Smallwood asked what else goes into livability.

Mr. McLaughlin stated that fun needs to be thrown in there.

Dr. Knable stated good public education, employment opportunities and comfort level.

Ms. Smallwood asked if there was anything else on livability.

Mr. McLaughlin stated street accessibility whether it be one-way or two-way.

Mr. Blair stated that he thinks paved streets would go in there too.

Dr. Knable stated that in larger cities public transportation is one. He added that with being part of Louisville Metro and with the greenway, we have opportunities to at least talk to TARC and at the very least maintain public transportation.

Mr. McLaughlin stated that he has always thought about New Albany having some sort of bus or trolley that sets up downtown and rotates through the hotels.

Dr. Knable agreed and said it could have ten stops running on the hour and have a couple of vehicles in the fleet.

Ms. Smallwood stated that basically you have the buildings of your vision for livability for New Albany and the goal would be to get it down to one sentence. She said the next pillar is integrity and asked the council what that looks like in action.

Dr. Knable stated that he would use the word transparency because it does convey the idea of a concept where people can have trust and access to the process.

Mr. Aebersold stated that a good one would be for this group and the administration to work together.

Dr. Knable stated that it looks like the council responding to concerns of citizens and respecting one another at the meetings.

Mr. Phipps added professional conduct at the meetings.

Dr. Knable added following through on what we say we are going to do.

Mr. Blair stated not only following through on what we pass but also enforcement on different codes and so forth. He added that he thinks the administration is making a good attempt but sometimes they don't have the resources to do it so that comes back on the council to approve additional resources.

Ms. Smallwood moved on to good communication and asked the council what that looks like to them when it is working well.

Mr. Phipps stated an updated website.

Mr. Aebersold stated that he thinks the mayor should be at the council meetings occasionally.

Mr. Caesar stated a clear and concise message.

Mr. Aebersold stated department involvement.

Mr. Barksdale stated continuous communication with the mayor.

Mr. Phipps stated feedback loop on projects such as WIFI to let the council know when plans change or when things are implemented.

Mr. Aebersold stated that the mayor sends a representative to the meetings but that is nothing.

Mr. McLaughlin stated that he has asked the mayor about that and when he attends a mayor convention he finds that is the norm that mayors do not attend the meetings. He added that in the past when a mayor would come to the meeting it was seen by some as an opportunity to attack the mayor publicly. He also added that he is not saying this council would be that way.

Dr. Knable stated that it would be interesting to have him come in quarterly or every other month just to share a vision of where we are. He said that he has found him to be

very open and engaging one on one and he would like the community to see us all being on the same page.

Mr. Blair stated that he thinks that the council would have to give him some assurances that we will be professional. He added that he would like him to give a state of the city address.

Dr. Knable stated that if there was something really significant to say he would like for the mayor to present that himself.

Mr. Blair stated that he has done that in the past on a few of the ordinances that we passed.

Ms. Smallwood stated that integrity is the pillar and that looks like respect and professional conduct. She said let's say for a moment that the mayor showed up and presented X,Y,Z and someone in the audience was not respectful. She told the council that they have everything to stand on to say that is not allowed here and if you cannot conduct yourself accordingly you are out.

Mr. McLaughlin stated that he doesn't let that happen with the public that often but his problem is with the council engaging the public and that's on him. He said he does tell the council that they can say "point of order" anytime in a meeting but he doesn't feel that is getting across to the members.

Mr. Blair stated that he and Mr. Nash are closest to the public and hear all of the comments and it gets to be a distraction.

Ms. Smallwood suggested implementing the pillars on a half sheet of paper with the agenda to let the public know what you are about and what you expect.

Mr. McLaughlin stated that to demand it of the public, we have to demand it of ourselves.

Dr. Knable said that the council also has to demand that of the representatives of the administration who sometimes sit in the back and talk a little too loudly.

Mr. Blair stated that in the back couple of rows there are sometimes conversations going on that are not real favorable.

Mr. Phipps asked if it is department heads.

Mr. Blair replied yes.

Mr. Aebersold stated that sometimes when the council asks questions department heads act like they are defending themselves instead of just explaining how something works. He added that we need to work together on everything.

Ms. Smallwood stated that is the opportunity of leadership and the council can lead by example.

Mr. Nash stated that sometimes the department heads are quizzed at the podium and they may not have the information on hand that is requested but had they gotten an email beforehand they could have that information.

Mr. Blair asked Mr. Nash what to do when you've updated and met with them on specific information and they still don't deliver.

Dr. Knable stated that you publically make note that you requested the information and they don't have it. He then stated that he is very pleased with this council taking input from the public where other communities have shut that off. He said he would phrase

that as being on ongoing commitment to listening to the citizens of the City of New Albany.

Ms. Smallwood then asked the council what business friendly looks like.

Mr. McLaughlin stated helping businesses grow.

Dr. Knable stated that we need to be more service-oriented and streamline the processes that businesses have to go through to grow. He also stated that we want to send the message of consistency.

Mr. Blair stated that we need to keep property taxes for businesses as low as possible.

Dr. Knable stated that we have to have a competitive tax environment for sure. He said that the businesses also need an availability of a workforce that is educated with good work habits. He added that is why he is in favor of the school referendum because at the head of that spear is Prosser and we need a good, educated workforce.

Mr. Blair stated that a clean, attractive community attracts businesses.

Dr. Knable stated that you need good housing stock across all levels of income.

Mr. Caesar stated that there is a problem with business owners parking in front of stores downtown and he feels that two hour parking needs to come back as well as 15 minute parking.

Ms. Smallwood stated that they are now at the decision making process and asked what the council needs from other people to make vision driven decisions.

Mr. Caesar stated that a big part of it is legal.

Dr. Knable stated that the council needs legal support to make sure that an ordinance we write can stick and we're the legislators so we need direct communication back from the executive branch that those are going to be enforced.

Ms. Smallwood asked what the council needs to make an ordinance and could there be a template to streamline the process before it gets to the council to make it easier.

Dr. Knable stated that it is intentionally difficult because it shouldn't be easy to make a law.

Ms. Smallwood asked if there are certain types of ordinances that flow easier than others.

Dr. Knable stated that to him the public safety ones go more easily.

Mr. Caesar said that he thinks it is far too easy to bring up an ordinance. He feels that it should be brought up by two people and should be presented to the president before it ever comes out.

Dr. Knable stated that if you look at our bylaws, it is supposed to go back to a committee for revision before it comes down for the second vote. He then said that he was expecting a synopsis of the commonality of the council that she got from the individual interviews because it would be nice to know where we already have common ground and don't know it.

Ms. Smallwood stated that she can put that in a written format. She then asked the council what they want from her from this point.

Mr. Blair asked how they get back to the vision statement.

Ms. Smallwood stated that she could recommend a few options or we can do another work session but in a shorter amount of time.

Mr. Blair stated that he would like for her to come up with some options and let them modify them.

Mr. Barksdale asked if the administration should be included in the vision statement if we want open communication.

Mr. McLaughlin stated that it would be the opportunity to pull them in.

Mr. Barksdale stated that he would like to come up with a vision statement together.

Mr. Blair asked Mr. Barksdale to try to bring them onboard.

Ms. Smallwood stated that she would give the council options and will incorporate the mayor's verbiage that she went over earlier.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Pat McLaughlin, President

Vicki Glotzbach, City Clerk

**THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA,
HELD A PUBLIC HEARING IN THE SUPREMIOR COURT ROOM 1 ON THE
SECOND FLOOR OF THE CITY/COUNTY BUILDING ON THURSDAY, JULY 7, 2016
AT 6:45 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Council Members Mr. Caesar, Mr. Phipps, Mr. Nash, Mr. Blair, Mr. Barksdale, Dr. Knable and President McLaughlin. Mr. Aebersold and Mr. Coffey were absent.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Lorch, Mrs. Moeller and Mrs. Glotzbach

Mr. McLaughlin called the public hearing to order at 6:45 p.m. and asked if anyone was there to speak on the following:

**A-16-04 Ordinance Amending the Appropriation of
EDIT Funds for the Homeless Coalition**

No One Spoke

ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Pat McLaughlin, President

Vicki Glotzbach, City Clerk

**THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY,
INDIANA, HELD A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING IN SUPERIOR COURT
ROOM 1 ON THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE CITY/COUNTY BUILDING ON
THURSDAY, JULY 7, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Council Members Mr. Coffey, Mr. Caesar, Mr. Phipps, Mr. Nash, Mr. Blair, Mr. Barksdale, Dr. Knable and President McLaughlin. Mr. Aebersold was absent.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Lorch, Mrs. Moeller, Officer Davidson, Mr. Duggins, Mr. Brewer, Mr. Hall and Mrs. Glotzbach

Mr. McLaughlin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

APPROVAL OR CORRECTION OF THE FOLLOWING MINUTES:

Mr. Caesar moved to approve the **Public Hearing Meeting Minutes for June 16, 2016, Mr. Phipps** second, all voted in favor with the exception of Mr. Aebersold who was absent.

Mr. Phipps moved to approve the **Regular Meeting Minutes for June 16, 2016, Mr. Blair** second, all voted in favor with the exception of Mr. Aebersold who was absent.

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC (AGENDA ITEMS):

COMMUNICATIONS – COUNCIL:

Dr. Knable stated that he read reports from the last meeting and he thanked Mr. Phipps for bringing forth the resolution and it was nice to see that come together.

Mr. Blair recognized Ms. Smallwood for a great planning session and for getting the information back to them.

Ms. Smallwood asked everyone to make sure and check their email and if they have any feedback to let her know.

Dr. Knable stated that he thinks that they should discuss a process to make the information that she sent to them available for the public.

Mrs. Glotzbach stated that she will be doing minutes from the meeting so it will be on record.

Mr. Barksdale thanked Mr. Blair for orchestrating this because it was very beneficial to him and he appreciates the effort. He stated that there are some issues on the southwest corner of Elm and Beharrell and he will make Mr. Thompson aware of that. He explained that Old Vincennes Road is apparently beginning to crack and slide towards the hill just beyond Silver Crest.

Mr. Blair stated that he thought they just repaved that road.

Dr. Knable stated that it seems to be an every year occurrence and at some point he thinks they will need to shore it up with some concrete columns.

Mr. Caesar stated that they knew when they last did it that it was a temporary fix.

Mr. Barksdale asked if they thought he should talk to Mr. Thompson about it.

Mr. Duggins stated that they already have engineers working on it.

Mr. Phipps asked what was going on at Beharrell.

Mr. Barksdale stated that he thinks there must be a spring because water stays in a collected puddle at the location.

Mr. Nash stated that they have patched over that a few times.

Mr. Coffey stated that the whole neighborhood by Country Club has standing water because they are doing road work continuously and somewhere along the line they will need to come up with a solution to the infrastructure problems in the city.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding issues with bicycle lanes in the city.

Dr. Knable stated that they need to continue with direct and indirect communication with the administration because he does see progress being made in some places so things are moving forward. He mentioned that Louisville did something interesting by creating an ad-hoc committee for infrastructure and they are committing a lot of resources of that and if the leadership of the council is willing to do so, they could establish something similar to work with the administration.

Mr. Caesar stated that he doesn't know what Mr. Brewer has done to the resident on Redbud but he seems to be moving forward to take care of his property and he thanked Mr. Brewer for handling that in a professional manner.

Mr. Nash asked about the status of Old Ford Road behind the Marathon.

Mr. Brewer stated that there was a partnership there and one of them passed away and now that they have the legal part cleared up they have started work on it.

Mr. Nash mentioned that there was a horrible house on the corner of McDonald and Mr. Brewer has been working on that thanked him for the help.

Mr. Blair stated that he text Mr. Brewer about a house on Hausfeldt Lane and asked Mr. Brewer to give them a breakdown of the process when they get one of these complaints.

Mr. Brewer stated that the property Mr. Blair is speaking of has been turned over to the legal department so he can't really speak to that process. He explained that he had the property cleaned up twice and then he filed suit.

Mr. Blair asked if he knows how long it takes to go through the court system.

Mr. Brewer replied no.

Mr. Barksdale stated that any time he calls Mr. Brewer he is quick to respond and does as much as he can for them so he wanted to thank him for that.

Mr. McLaughlin echoed that and explained that he had a situation on his street and they took care of it right away. He asked if any of the council members received calls about the use of fireworks.

Mr. Caesar stated that he received complaints about people using them late at night.

Mr. McLaughlin stated that it might be something they want to look into.

Mr. Nash stated that he thought it was better in his neighborhood this year.

Dr. Knable stated that he spent some time going over the noise ordinance with Mr. Lorch and they touched on the fireworks and they are looking to give the police a little more latitude on interpreting what is considered offensive noises and increasing the penalties. He added that he hopes to bring it before them in early fall.

COMMUNICATIONS – MAYOR:

Mr. Hall stated that they are still working on downtown Wi-Fi and explained that in the middle of the process they found what seems to be a cheaper solution so they had to go back and start fresh but they hope to have an update with a time table and cost soon.

Mr. Nash asked if this includes all the parks as well as downtown and the baseball field.

Mr. Hall stated that initially they were looking at the baseball fields, hotspots in downtown, and the riverfront amphitheater.

COMMUNICATIONS – OTHER CITY DEPARTMENTS OR CITY OFFICIALS:

Mrs. Moeller presented the budget schedule that includes work session dates, advertising, and deadlines.

Mr. Caesar asked if the council is requested to be at the July 26th with DLGF.

Mrs. Moeller stated that they are welcome to be there but they don't have to be.

Mr. Nash suggested that they tell the individuals from the county to come to these work sessions to talk about the animal shelter.

Mr. Coffey stated that they set their budget at the same time that the council sets theirs.

Mr. Nash asked if they could invite them because he thinks it is silly to have a separate meeting regarding the same budget.

Mr. Coffey stated that he would agree with that but the problem is that they have never honored their agreement.

Mr. Nash stated that their issue is that this body sets their budget and they have to follow it.

Mr. Coffey stated that they set their own budget and the city sets their portion.

Mr. Blair stated that they have a liaison for the Animal Control Board so they should let that person represent them while working with the County Council.

Mr. Coffey stated that they want to change the shares of who owes what and they made that decision themselves 5-6 years ago by not paying what was due. He suggested that if they had a problem they should have come to the proper authorities at that time and discussed it rather than not paying. He stated that the animal shelter has always worked well with the city and they generate a lot of their own money so he hates to see them stuck in the middle of this.

Mr. Nash asked where they are with the shelter and if they county is up-to-date.

Mrs. Moeller replied no. She explained that Mr. Hall does an excellent job with the shelter and the city has always been very supportive.

Dr. Knable stated that the sale of the hospital should allow them a new opportunity for them to work with the city on this issue.

Mr. Brewer updated the council on the software system for the rental registration. He explained that they have received a quote back from the vendor and it is being reviewed by the legal and IT departments. He stated that they are on track for the January deadline for property registration.

REPORTS – COMMITTEES, BOARDS OR OTHER OFFICIALS AS REQUESTED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE COUNCIL:

APPROVAL OF CF-1 FORMS:

Mr. Duggins passed out the abatement status report and reviewed it with the council. Said report is on file with the City Clerk's office. He explained that Hitachi Cable is on the spreadsheet but he isn't asking them to pass it. He stated that they have done everything they could to get a hold of them to fill it out and they have not done so and he wanted to make the council aware of that. He explained that he is proud to say that the program is working and recommended approval.

Dr. Knable asked if the employee numbers are verified at each location through HR.

Mr. Duggins explained that they go by both the paperwork that is filled out and follow up calls.

Mr. Blair asked if they could add a column for property tax

Mr. Duggins stated that he could look into that.

Mr. Barksdale thanked Mr. Duggins for his time explaining these.

Kennametal DBA Conforma Clad., Compliance with Statement of Benefits referencing R-08-47

Product Specialties, Inc., Compliance with Statement of Benefits referencing R-04-48

Advance Fabricators Inc., Compliance with Statement of Benefits referencing R-14-05

Koetter Development, Inc., Compliance with Statement of Benefits referencing R-08-48

6000 Foundations BLVD, LLC, Compliance with Statement of Benefits referencing R-04-36

Beach, Mold & Tool, Inc., Compliance with Statement of Benefits referencing R-12-17

Matt Chalfant DBA Chalfant Industries, Inc., Compliance with Statement of Benefits referencing R-09-19

Clark Food, Inc. (American Beverage Marketers), Compliance with

Statement of Benefits referencing R-11-10 A&B

**Fox Group, Inc., DBA Bruce Fox, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-14-08**

**Globe Mechanical, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits R-07-22**

**Hartford Quality Assurance, LLC, Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-12-07**

**Jones Popcorn, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-12-01**

**Jones Popcorn, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-09-13**

**Lee Supply Corp, Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-06-37**

**Padgett, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-05-35**

**PTG Silicones, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-13-10**

**PTG Silicones, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-07-25**

**Samtec, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-08-51**

**Samtec, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-10-42**

**Big Fish LLC, Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-07-05**

**John B. Shine/ Terratec LLC, Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-06-11**

**S&J Precision, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-14-13**

**Wallace Family Properties, Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-05-48**

**SM Ten Properties LLC, Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-14-07**

**Swearings Environmental Services, LLC DBA Specialty Earth Sciences, LLC,
Compliance with Statement of Benefits referencing R-09-02**

**TG Missouri Corporation, Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-04-35 & R-06-01**

TG Missouri Corporation, Compliance with

Statement of Benefits referencing R-10-28

**TG Missouri Corporation, Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-14-01**

**TG Missouri Corporation, Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-07-24**

**TG Missouri Corporation, Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-15-04**

**TG Missouri Corporation, Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-04-35**

**VTI of Indiana Doors, Inc. DBA Ideal Door, Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-09-17 A&B**

**L& D Mail Masters, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-11-18**

**L& D Mail Masters, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-10-05**

**L& D Mail Masters, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-09-06**

**L& D Mail Masters, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-13-08**

**L& D Mail Masters, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-12-13**

**L& D Mail Masters, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-14-06**

**L& D Mail Masters, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-07-05**

**L& D Mail Masters, Inc., Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-06-12**

**United Investment Group/Urethane of Kentucky, Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-08-37**

**United Investment Group/Urethane of Kentucky, Compliance with
Statement of Benefits referencing R-14-02**

**Mr. Caesar moved to approve the above CF-1s, Mr. Barksdale second, all voted in
favor with the exception of with the exception of Mr. Aebersold who was absent and
Mr. Blair who recused himself.**

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

READING

**A-16-04 Ordinance Amending the Appropriation of
EDIT Funds for the Homeless Coalition**

Blair 3

Mr. Blair introduced Bill No. A-16-04 and moved to approve the third reading, Mr. Barksdale second,

Mr. Blair moved to amend the ordinance to come out of Riverboat instead of EDIT, Mr. Barksdale second, all voted in favor.

Mr. Blair introduced A-16-04 as amended, Mr. Phipps second, all voted in favor with the exception of Mr. Caesar and Mr. McLaughlin who voted no and Mr. Aebersold who was absent. Bill No. A-16-04 becomes Ordinance No. A-16-07

Mr. Blair stated that they may want to consider amending this to come out of Riverboat instead of EDIT so they don't have to go through the process with the DLGF.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS:

BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC (NON-AGENDA ITEMS):

ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Pat McLaughlin, President

Vicki Glotzbach, City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. R-16-09

BEFORE THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA

RESOLUTION REGARDING ADOPTION OF ABATEMENT SCHEDULE

WHEREAS, the Indiana Code 6-1.1-12.1-17(b) directs that the designating body (City Council) shall establish an abatement schedule for each deduction allowed and specify the percentage amount of the deduction for each year of the deduction.

WHEREAS, the City of New Albany and the Common Council has approved and operated under the attached schedule for abatements a formal resolution is needed to memorialize the schedule and can be referenced in all future actions regarding abatement.

THEREFORE, the City of New Albany Common Council approves and establishes the abatement schedules attached hereto.

**COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA**

PAT MCLAUGHLIN, PRESIDENT
COMMON COUNCIL, NEW ALBANY

Attested by:

Vicki Glotzbach, New Albany City Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF PRESENTATION TO MAYOR

The undersigned hereby certifies that on the ____ day of _____, 2016, the above Resolution was PRESENTED by me, as the duly elected Clerk of the City of New Albany, Indiana, to the Mayor of the City of New Albany, Indiana.

Vicki Glotzbach, New Albany City Clerk

APPROVAL BY MAYOR

The undersigned, as of this _____ day of _____, 2016, and as the duly elected Mayor of the City of New Albany, Indiana, hereby APPROVES the above Resolution authorized by the provisions of IC 36-4-6-16 and as evidenced by my signature affixed below.

Jeff M. Gahan, Mayor

Attested by:

Vicki Glotzbach, New Albany City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. R-16-10

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NEW ALBANY FLOYD COUNTY SCHOOLS REFERENDUM

WHEREAS, the City of New Albany Common Council (hereinafter "Council") is the legislative and fiscal body of the City of New Albany and is active in promoting measures that will benefit and strengthen our community;

WHEREAS, the New Albany Floyd County Consolidated School Corporation (hereinafter "NAFCCSC") has brought forth a referendum for the citizens of Floyd County to vote on November 8, 2016, whether multiple improvement projects should occur within the school system;

WHEREAS, the Council feels that having a high quality educational community is a key component to a prosperous future for the City of New Albany;

WHEREAS, the quality of the public schools is a key determining factor for both employers and families when considering a community in which to locate;

WHEREAS, the equality of facilities among all students in NAFCCSC is an important and justified objective to remain competitive with other communities in the region;

WHEREAS, the impact of the projects that will occur if this referendum passes is likely to also result in higher property values for the neighborhoods that these projects will serve;

WHEREAS, these projects will also result in the continuation of the Prosser Career Education Center as a leading force in vocational training in the region;

WHEREAS, the passage of this referendum will aid in the achievement of these objectives and endeavors;

WHEREAS, it is important to educate and inform the voters to support this measure as it strengthens and benefits the both City of New Albany and Floyd County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of New Albany Common Council supports and endorses the passage of the referendum brought forth by the New Albany Floyd County Consolidated School Corporation and encourages all the citizens of the City of New Albany to support this critical referendum at the polls on November 8, 2016;

SO RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of New Albany, Indiana, on this ____ day of _____, 2016.

**COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA**

Pat McLaughlin, President

Attested by:

**Vicki Glotzbach,
New Albany City Clerk**

CERTIFICATE OF PRESENTATION TO MAYOR

The undersigned hereby certifies that on the ____ day of _____, 2016, the above Resolution was PRESENTED by me, as the duly elected Clerk of the City of New Albany, Indiana, to the Mayor of the City of New Albany, Indiana.

**Vicki Glotzbach,
New Albany City Clerk**

APPROVAL BY MAYOR

The undersigned, as of this _____ day of _____, 2016, and as the duly elected Mayor of the City of New Albany, Indiana, hereby APPROVES the above Resolution as authorized by the provisions of IC 36-4-6-16 and as evidenced by my signature affixed below.

**JEFF GAHAN, Mayor of the City of New
Albany, Indiana**

Attested by:

**Vicki Glotzbach,
New Albany City Clerk**