The Common Council of the City of Kokomo, Indiana met Monday January 13th, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

The meeting was called to order by President Kennedy.

Invocation was offered by Bishop Glenn.

Pledge:

Present: Wyant, Cameron, Young, Haworth, Hayes, Kennedy, Summers, Sanders, Miklik

Absent: None

The minutes of the December 9th, 2013 & Re-Organizational Meeting January 9th, 2014 were declared approved as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS: President Kennedy states, I need to set a Public Hearing for Ordinance #6743 for January 27th, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

Council Attorney Corbin King states, based upon the criteria and upon sworn information publications in Kokomo meet the statutory definition of “newspaper” and qualify as publications in which placement of legal advertising is required. By Law we have to pass a motion, recognizing the Kokomo Tribune and Kokomo Herald for us to do legal advertising.

Councilman Hayes moved for passage of the statement read by Council Attorney supporting the Kokomo Tribune and Kokomo Herald as our legal advertising. Seconded by Councilwoman Sanders.
Cont. Communications.
All those in favor:
Aye: All
Nay: None

President Kennedy states, I will have the Clerk place into the minutes the Council Committee’s for 2014. Since all of you have agreed to serve in that capacity.

Bishop Charles Glenn 719 East Taylor Street Kokomo, Ind. states, I will stand as a representative of my community. It was a poor job the City did cleaning the streets of my community of NE Kokomo during this last snow. It was 5:45 P.M. in the evening before we saw a truck that came in NE Kokomo. I live within 4 blocks of downtown surely the City could get some trucks into NE Kokomo earlier than just prior to dark. I had to hire someone to clean in front of my house, and after I cleaned in front of my house he comes and plowed it back up again. I was up-set. I did not have Mr. Hayes number or Janie Young because if I would have I would have blown their phone up at that time. Surely a City that I have lived in for over 60 years could do better; because the citizens of NE Kokomo are citizens of the City as well as everyone else.

President Kennedy states, we will be-sure to pass this information on to the Administration.

There were no committee reports given at this regular meeting.

Councilman Cameron states, I am waiting on a Senate Bill 272 when I get some information on that I may call a Council of the Whole Committee Meeting prior to the next meeting. I will know in the next several days.
COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS: President Kennedy states, under the Council Appointments this evening, I would like the approval from the Council to appoint the following: Loan Administration Board for the Revolving Loan Fund Re-appointed Denise (Lanning) Clark, Howard County Recycling District Board, Kevin Summers, Howard County Governmental Coordinating Council Mike Kennedy, Tom Miklik, Kokomo Redevelopment Commission, Re-appointed Mike Wyant, Human Rights Commission, Cindy Sanders, Greater Kokomo Economic Development Alliance, Janie Young. These appointments were unanimous by the Council.

ORDINANCE 6742: Rezoning: R1 to OC
Location: 1539 East 100 North
Petitioner: Doug & Tara Eytcheson
First reading

Ordinance 6742 was read by the Clerk by title only. Councilwoman Young moved for passage on ordinance #6742 on first reading. Seconded by Councilman Haworth.

Councilwoman Young states, Doug & Tara Eytcheson are requesting a change in zoning classification from R1 (Low Residential) to OC (Office Commercial) for the property at 1539 East 100 North. They want it for a counseling office. This is in an area where it is proposed for parks, and recreation and low density resident living. We have Doug & Tara Eytcheson in the audience this evening.

Tara Eytcheson 3347 East 50 North Kokomo, Ind. states, we will be doing out-patient mental health counseling. I am a license Psychotherapist. It will be a small practice, just my-self. I will be there three days a week. I will just see a person for an hour.

Councilman Summers asks, currently you reside at the home?
Cont. Ordinance #6742.
Tara Eytcheson states, no we do not.

Councilman Wyant asks, are you going to live there?

Tara Eytcheson states, it is just for the office. We feel it is an idea place because it is private and quite. I think it reduces people’s anxieties to come to counseling.

Greg Sheline Director of Kokomo Howard County Plan Commission states, if the Eytcheson’s were living at that property they would have gone before the Board of Zoning Appeals for a home occupation type 1 or 2. Since they are not living there we suggested the office commercial. With the type of business the Eytcheson’s are doing should not create any additional traffic. There is commercial storage out in that area. The Plan Commission felt that office commercial is the zoning that the Eytcheson’s would need. They did have a couple of remonstrators at the Plan Commission. There big concern was they were afraid that something more could come in there; and under the office commercial that can-not happen.

Vote for passage follows:
Aye: All
Nay: None
The vote was 9 to 0 for passage on first reading.

ORDINANCE 6743: Additional Appropriation from the General Fund in the amount of $4,000,000
First reading
Ordinance 6743 was read by the Clerk by title only. Councilman Hayes moved for passage on ordinance #6743 on first reading. Seconded by Councilwoman Sanders.
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Cont. Ordinance #6743.
Councilman Hayes states, this consist of two appropriations. One is for $3,000,000 which would be used for the capital contribution for the parking garage; which is caddy corner from the City Hall here on Union Street. The other $1,000,000 will be used for purchasing recyclable totes; so we can start our recycling program; which is going to commence approximately in April of this year.

Councilwoman Sanders asks, in regard to vehicles, where are we at with that?

Councilman Hayes states, I think we will use the same vehicles we have now. I think this will be done on an alternating schedule.

Milton Beach City Controller states, we have budgeted for a new packer.

Councilman Summers states, I might add we have a recycling meeting tomorrow and I will get with the administration and have an up-date for the next Council Meeting.

Councilman Hayes states, this is strictly to buy the totes.

Vote for passage follows:
Aye: All
Nay: None
The vote was 9 to 0 for passage on first reading.

President Kennedy states, our next Council Meeting will be January 27th, 2014 with an Informational Meeting at 6:30 P.M. in the Louks Room. Public Hearing at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers, and Council Meeting immediately following.
Adjourned at 7:20 P.M.

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PRESIDING OFFICER

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK