The Common Council of the City of Kokomo, Indiana met Monday September 14th, 2015 in the Council Chambers of the City Building for the purpose of a Public Hearing on Ordinance #6807.

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

Absent: Hayes

Vice President Kennedy called for any comments from the audience, hearing none the Public Hearing was adjourned.

The Common Council of the City of Kokomo, Indiana met Monday September 14th, 2015 at 6:00 P.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Kennedy.

Invocation was offered by Councilwoman Sanders.

Pledge:

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

Absent: Hayes

The minutes of the August 24th, 2015 Council Meeting Minutes were declared approved as presented.
COMMUNICATIONS: Vice President Kennedy states, our next meeting will be September 28th, 2015; with a Public Hearing on Ordinance #6805 at 6:00 P.M.; and Council Meeting immediately following.

Jerry Paul President of the Howard County Veterans Memorial Corporation states, on behalf of our Board of Directors we want to thank you for all your support on the Monument. We dedicated it yesterday at 1:00 P.M. We want to thank the City employees and the County employees for everything that they have done for us. It was a long journey six years. It’s done, and it is one of a kind. It is the first Blue Star Gold Star Family Memorial in Indiana; and as far as we know in the United States. Thank you so much for supporting your veterans.

There were no committee reports given at this regular meeting.

ORDINANCE 6803: AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE MAXIMUM SALARIES OF APPOINTEE OFFICERS, DEPUTIES, ASSISANTS, DEPARTMENT HEADS, UNIFORMED POLICE AND FIRE, AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF KOKOMO, INDIANA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2016 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KOKOMO, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:

Second reading

Ordinance 6803 was read by the Clerk by title only. Councilman Miklik moved for passage on ordinance #6803 on second reading.
Cont. Ordinance #6803.
Seconded by Councilwoman Sanders.
Councilman Miklik states, this fixes the maximum salaries for the Appointive Officers as read by the Clerk.
Vote for passage follows:
Aye: All
Nay: None
Abstain: Summers
The vote was 7 to 0 for passage on second reading.


Second reading

Ordinance 6804 was read by the Clerk by title only. Councilman Miklik moved for passage on ordinance #6804 on second reading. Seconded by Councilwoman Sanders.
Councilman Miklik states, the salary ordinance as read reflects the Mayor’s salary as of 2007; and the City Council Members and City Clerk have not taken any increase since January of 2008. In this ordinance it reflects the Elected City Officials salary levels.
Vote for passage follows:
Aye: All
Nay: None
The vote was 8 to 0 for passage on second reading.
ORDINANCE 6805:  
AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE BUDGETS FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS OF THE CITY OF KOKOMO, INDIANA BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KOKOMO, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:
First reading
Ordinance 6805 was read by the Clerk by title only. Councilman Cameron moved for passage on ordinance #6805 on first reading. Seconded by Councilman Haworth.
Councilman Cameron states, this is our annual ordinance of fixing the budget for the year. We just completed the budget hearings. The tentative amount of the budget is $61,544.883. I would like to remind everyone that we will have a Public Hearing on the budget September 28th, and we must have our second reading done by October 19th.
Vote for passage follows:
Aye: All
Nay: None
The vote was 8 to 0 for passage on first reading.

ORDINANCE 6807:  
Additional Appropriation from the Barrett Law Revolving Improvement Fund in the amount of $175,000
Second reading
Ordinance 6807 was read by the Clerk by title only. Councilman Summers moved for passage on ordinance #6807 on second reading. Seconded by Councilman Wyant.
Councilman Summers states, at the first reading we advised that the transfer of funds from the Barrett Law Surplus Fund to the Barrett Law Revolving Fund.
Cont. Ordinance #6807.
This $175,000 will provide projects for 800 Block of West Taylor Street (south side) 1100 Block of North Indiana (both sides) 1100 Block of North Armstrong (west side) Harrison and Union Streets (north and east sides) at Main Street Methodist Church.
Vote for passage follows:
Aye: All
Nay: None
The vote was 8 to 0 for passage on second reading.

ORDINANCE 6808: ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KOKOMO, INDIANA, AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PROPERTY TO THE KOKOMO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
First reading
Ordinance 6808 was read by the Clerk by title only. Councilman Wyant moved for suspension of the rules and pass ordinance #6808 on first and second reading. Seconded by Councilman Haworth.
Vote for suspension of the rules:
Aye: All
Nay: None
The vote was 8 to 0 for suspension of the rules.
Councilman Wyant moved for passage on ordinance #6808 on second reading. Seconded by Councilman Haworth.
Councilman Wyant states, ordinance #6808 is necessary in order to allow the city to transfer properties to KCDC (Kokomo Community Development Corporation) for future development. As the city partners in the project KCDC needs to have ownership of the properties in order to begin demolition.
Cont. Ordinance #6808.
This ordinance will allow the city to directly transfer all of the properties to the KCDC so demolition and any future development on those sites can begin immediately. We will be able to take houses out 30 days shorter than we have done in the past. It is a good thing for us.

Councilman Miklik states, I just might add that this helps facilitate the grant from the State of Indiana; that 60 homes have been identified, and shortens that time frame to facilitate the State level Grant to do that with.

Councilwoman Young states, being in the Third District it is just good to see this; that it is going to cut down the time. We all know this is very much needed.

Councilman Wyant states, I believe we all have bad homes in the areas; everybody has them. Hopefully this will help.

Vote for passage follows:
Aye: All
Nay: None
The vote was 8 to 0 for passage on first and second reading.

Vice President Kennedy states this marks the end of this Council Meeting; and our next Council Meeting will be September 28th, 2015 with an Informational Meeting at 5:30 P.M. in the Louks Room; Public Hearing at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers, and Council Meeting immediately following.
Adjourned at 6:15 P.M.

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

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PRESIDING OFFICER