COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CIVIL CITY OF UNION CITY, INDIANA
MARCH 12, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Bryan Conklin presiding. Mayor Conklin welcomed all of those in attendance. The meeting was recorded by K.I.S.S.-TV.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & PRAYER
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all and prayer was led by Mayor Conklin.

ROLL CALL
Those in attendance were: Greg Harshman, Jim Hufford, Chad Spence. Tim Heuss and Ron Holt, Jr. was absent.

Also attending were: Clerk-Treasurer Anita Amspaugh, Board of Works members Susan Pyle and Philip Brewer.

Visitors were: Spring Schaupp, Jeannie Collins, Mike Collins.

CONSENT AGENDA
The Consent Agenda consisted of:

- Minutes
- Claims
- Pay Claim #8 – Phoenix Fabricators – Water Tower Project - $15,156.00

Chad Spence moved to accept the Consent Agenda as presented and Greg Harshman seconded. All ayes were received (3-0), motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS
Mayor Conklin reported the following:

- Joint meeting of the UCI/UCO Councils has been scheduled for April 30 at the EUM Church.
- His meeting with Indiana Economic Development related to Workhorse/Navistar.
- Updated the Council on the performance of the Public Works Director and the Public Safety Director.
- A company who has an interest in creating an aquaponics operation in Union City
- His meeting with AU & Associates regarding the former Backstay building.

City Manager Monte Poling reported the following:

- He has received the successful close out documentation for the HOOR program and added that the application for round three (3) is being prepared.
- Public Works employees attended safety training this week provided by Downey Insurance.
- The progress of the Livable Communities Plan in conjunction with IHCDA and HUD.

Councilor Chad Spence announced that Sunday, May 6 at 12:00 noon has been scheduled for the next downtown makeover day with the rain date scheduled for two weeks later.

Councilor Greg Harshman commented that the demolition of the burned out house on the corner of Plum and Walnut Streets went smoothly.

VISITOR QUESTIONS & COMMENTS
Mike Collins of 336 South Columbia Street asked for a progress report on his complaint on the house at 340 South Columbia Street. Discussion.

PRESENTERS ON AGENDA
None.

OLD BUSINESS
None.

NEW BUSINESS
Ordinance 2012-03-Minimum Housing Standards Amendment – Clerk-Treasurer Anita Amspaugh reviewed the amendments with the Council members after which Chad Spence moved to accept Ordinance 2012-03 on the first reading. Jim Hufford seconded. Council members were polled and all ayes were received (3-0), motion carried, therefore the ordinance was passed on the first reading.

Ordinance 2012-04-Cemetery Charges Amendment – Clerk-Treasurer Anita Amspaugh reviewed the amendments with the Council members after which Chad Spence moved to accept Ordinance 2012-04 on the first reading. Greg Hufford seconded. Council members were polled and all ayes were received (3-0), motion carried, therefore the ordinance was passed on the first reading.

Alley Vacation Request – City Manager Monte Poling submitted the petition by Wendy Read for the vacation of an unimproved alley directly to the south property at south of 638 North Plum Street. Chad Spence moved to approve the petition and Jim Hufford seconded. Council members were polled and all ayes were received (3-0), motion carried.

UCO Joint Council Meeting Agenda-Discussion – Mayor Conklin again announced that there will be a joint meeting with the UCO Council on April 30 and asked each Councilor to bring two (2) people to the meeting so that the community is involved. Discussion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Mayor Conklin announced that the next regular council meeting will be on Monday, March 26, 2012, at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT
Being no further business to come before the Council, Chad Spence made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jim Hufford seconded the motion. All ayes, (3-0), motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

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Bryan K. Conklin, Mayor

Attest: _____
Anita M. Amspaugh, Clerk-Treasurer