

CITY OF LAWRENCE
Common Council
January 20, 2021
Regular Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: None

MEMBERS BY ZOOM: Lisa Chavis, Tom Shevlot, Sherron Freeman, Lauren Russel, Maria Rusomaroff, Deborah Whitfield, Rick Wells and Shawn Denney

ALSO BY ZOOM: Attorney Kristina Wheeler (Bose McKinney & Evans LLP)

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk Kathleen Walton

STAFF PRESENT: None

STAFF BY ZOOM: CFO/Deputy Mayor Fenwick and Police Chief Hofmann

Council President Lisa Chavis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and announced a quorum was present.

COMMENTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS: Councilor Freeman asked if there was a facility in Lawrence for COVID-19 vaccinations. She also recognized Deputy Police Chief Bigsbee as the first African American Deputy Police Chief for the City of Lawrence.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS 1-20-21: Councilor Freeman moved to approve Payroll Claims for \$828,176.02 [December 31, 2020 payroll] and Invoices [for vendors] as presented today [for \$1,725,434.76]. Councilor Whitfield seconded the motion. By a roll call vote, the motion to approve the vouchers carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Resolution No. 10, 2020, to adopt fiscal policy for discretionary funds of the Common Council, was read only by title by Clerk Walton. Councilor Denney reported that Resolution No. 10, 2020 remains in the Administration, Budget and Finance Committee.

NEW BUSINESS: Councilor Chavis said nominations for a member of the Marion County Stormwater District Technical Advisory Committee were open for consideration. Councilor Denney nominated Paul Oler. Councilor Chavis announced that, there being no further nominations, nominations were closed. By a roll call vote, Eight votes were cast, 8 votes for Paul Oler. Clerk Walton announced that Paul Oler was elected to the Marion County Stormwater District Technical Advisory Committee.

Proposal No. 1, 2021, adopting and enacting a fourteenth supplement to the code of ordinances of the City of Lawrence, Indiana, was introduced and read only by title by Clerk Walton. Attorney Kristina Wheeler gave an update on the S-14 supplement. The corrections from American Legal haven't been received.

Councilor Chavis asked the Administration if there is a location in Lawrence providing the COVID-19 vaccine.

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS: CFO/Deputy Mayor Fenwick confirmed that COVID-19 vaccines are not being offered at government centers and is not aware of other sites in the City of Lawrence. He said that he would look further into the question and provide a list of nearby sites.

Councilor Whitfield recommended that vaccination locations be put on the City of Lawrence website.

Attorney Wheeler informed the Council that COVID-19 vaccines are controlled by the State of Indiana and that this area's distribution comes under Community Hospital North. Information is available of the State website or by dialing 211.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m., by the unanimous vote of the Council.

Lisa Chavis, President

Kathleen A. Walton, Clerk

These minutes are not intended to be verbatim. They are a summary of discussions held, with the exception of the motions. An audiotape is made which provides a detailed record.