

Common Council Meeting– May 5, 2025
2nd floor City Building 6:00 pm
201 S. Union St. Delphi

Council was called to order at 6:00 pm on the second floor of the city building. Live streamed on Youtube and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was given by clerk/treasurer-Julie Price. The members present were: Kamron Yates, Denny Myers, Doyle Moore, Spencer Kingery, and Cody Nelson. Erin Jubril was absent.

The minutes for April 7, 2025 council meeting were presented for approval. There were no additions or corrections. No discussion for the minutes. Motion to approve the minutes made by Spencer Kingery seconded by Cody Nelson. Motion carried and passed. (4-0)

Department Head reports were sent to the council prior to the meeting for review. With no objection, the reports were accepted and approved.

Other Business:

Mike Tetrault was present to ask approval of a controlled burn for the Canal for spring clean up within city limits. His request was per Fire Dept. regulations and assistance if needed. He stated the piles were ready now per the DFD. Motion to approve the controlled burn within the city limits with allowance for extension if extra time is needed for clean up made by Spencer Kingery, seconded by Denny Myers. Motion carried and passed (4-0).

Mayor Yates suspended the regular meeting at 6:05pm. He opened the public hearing meeting for Ordinance 2025-2 The re-establishment of the Fire territory Cumulative capital equipment fund at 6:06pm. Mayor Yates stated that the funds would be used for air packs and the increase would be .0333 from the .016 tax rate for clarification to public. No public comments were made after 3 requests for any public comment. Public hearing was closed at 6:08pm. Regular meeting was reopened at 6:08. Motion to approve Ordinance 2025-2 on the first reading made by Spencer Kingery, seconded by Cody Nelson. Motion carried and passed. (4-0) Motion to suspend the rules on introduction to allow 2nd and 3rd reading made by Cody Nelson, seconded by Denny Myers. Motion carried and passed. (4-0) Motion to approve Ordinance on 2nd reading made by Spencer Kingery, seconded by Doyle Moore. Motion carried and passed. (4-0). Motion to approve Ordinance on 3rd and final reading made by Denny Myers, seconded by Spencer Kingery. Motion to approve Ordinance 2025-2 carried and passed. (4-0).

The regular meeting was suspended at 6:16pm to open public hearing for Ordinance 2025-3 Establishment of the Cumulative Capital Development fund. Public comments were opened before voting. Carolyn Pearson of Washington Street, Delphi voiced her concern over more taxing for the citizens. It was explained that the fund establishment was a proposal set forth by the clerk for consideration from an SBOA training attended by the clerk. She stated that the City of Delphi is 1 of only just a few in the entire state that does not currently have one in place and consideration for the fund

may be a good idea to aid in revenue with the SB-1 coming to pass. It is not meant to replace the revenue, only possibly aid with the losses. Each year for 3 years, the rate would increase until max levy is reached of .0333%. It would begin with the lowest amount in the first year with increments for the next 2 years following. With no further public comments, the public hearing was closed at 6:22pm. The regular meeting was reopened at 6:22pm. Motion to approve Ordinance 2025-3 on first reading made by Cody Nelson, seconded by Spencer Kingery. Motion carried and passed. (4-0) Motion to suspend rules on introduction made by Cody Nelson, seconded by Doyle Moore. Motion carried and passed. (4-0) Motion to approve Ordinance 2025-3 on second reading made by Spencer Kingery, seconded by Denny Myers. Motion carried and passed. (4-0) Motion to approve Ordinance 2025-3 on third and final reading made by Denny Myers, seconded by Doyle Moore. Motion carried and passed. (4-0)

The regular meeting was suspended at 6:38pm for public hearing of Ordinance 2025-4 Transferring governance of Morning Heights cemetery to Delphi BOW. The meeting was opened for public comments. After no comments were made, the public hearing was closed at 6:40pm. The regular meeting was reopened at 6:40pm. Legal Counsel stated that there is a 5 day statutory waiting period before the final reading of the Ordinance for the June meeting. Motion to approve Ordinance 2025-4 on the first reading made by Spencer Kingery, seconded by Denny Myers. Motion carried and passed. (4-0).

Unfinished Business:

Morning Heights Cemetery burial plot fee, perpetuation fee, and opening/closing grave process were presented and discussed by the board for review for decisions concerning the cemetery until the transferring governance to the BOW is approved and voted on in the third and final reading. The board discussed the fees/costs for burial plots and to the city.

New Business:

Proposed Ordinance 2025-5 Amending fee to purchase burial plots in Morning Heights Cemetery was presented for review and approval. The board will vote on the amount/cost of fees to obtain a plot along with any legal/cemetery board fee. Suggestions for amounts to be charged will be decided by the board. Motion to approve the Ordinance on first reading made by Denny Myers, seconded by Cody Nelson. Motion carried and passed. (4-0)

Proposed Resolution 2025-4 Authorizing signing of Declaration for Morning Heights Cemetery was presented for review and approval. Motion to approve resolution made by Spencer Kingery, seconded by Doyle Moore. Motion carried and passed. (4-0)

Resolution 2025-5 Authorizing transfer of Edit funds was presented for approval. Motion to approve resolution made by Cody Nelson, seconded by Denny Myers. Motion carried and passed. (4-0)

Resolution 2025-6 CCMG Commitment of Funds was presented for approval. Motion to approve the resolution made by Denny Myers, seconded by Spencer Kingery. Motion carried and passed. (4-0)

Future Business and Announcements

Mayor Yates presented the tax abatements for review and approval. Motion to approve the tax abatement submitted forms for properties made by Spencer Kingery, seconded by Cody Nelson. Motion carried and passed. (4-0)

Mayor Yates stated that budget workshops would be available soon and council would need to be scheduling budget meetings to plan for the next year since there may be some major budgeting changes coming for the city. The decision to revisit budget meeting planning was made for June for council to decide about dates beginning in July.

Miscellaneous Business:

Thanks go out to the DPD, street dept. and little league board for another successful parade.

Mayor Yates stated that the city had yet another successful spring clean up assisting citizens to be able to dispose of unwanted items and clean up properties.

Council member Doyle Moore asked if there were any plans to clean up downed trees from storm damage located in the woods behind Riley park and the scout cabin. Mayor Yates stated that the street dept. has been working diligently to clean things up and hopefully will be able to clean up excess brush that has fallen.

Clerk Comments:

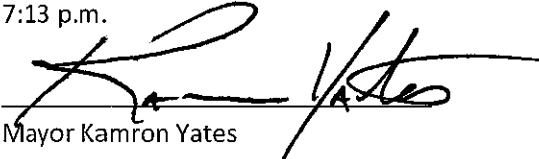
Clerk-Treasurer Price stated that the city health insurance rates have once again increased another 10% in addition to the 12.9% last year for a total of 22.9% overall. She is looking in to other carriers without taking any benefits or physicians away from employees and being able to obtain better premiums. The city insurance broker will be contacted to look in to other insurance options.

Public Comments:

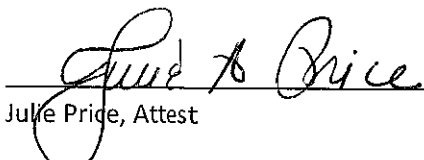
Carolyn Pearson of Washington St. Delphi asked about the lack of representation for a council seat. Spencer Kingery assured her that it would be addressed and looked in to.

Adjournment

Without objection and no other business or comments, the motion to adjourn Common council was made by Cody Nelson and seconded by Spencer Kingery. Motion carried (4-0) and meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.



Mayor Kamron Yates



Julie Price, Attest