

**MARTINSVILLE COMMON COUNCIL
MARTINSVILLE INDIANA
MORGAN COUNTY, INDIANA
MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Costin called the Martinsville Common Council meeting to order on Monday, March 10, 2025. Pastor Jeff Floyd led the prayer for those in attendance. Mayor Costin then led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Kenny Costin, Mayor - Present
Phil Deckard Sr, District 1 - Absent
Ben Mahan, District 2 - Present
Josh Ferran District 3 - Present
Suzie Lipps, District 4 - Present
Phil Deckard II, District 5 - Absent
Ann Miller, Councilwoman-at-Large - Present
John Badger XIV, Councilman-at-Large - Present
Dale Coffey, Attorney - Present
Ben Merida, Clerk Treasurer - Present

A quorum was declared present.

MINUTES

Mayor Costin presented the minutes of the February 24, 2025, meeting to the Council. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Councilwoman Ann Miller and Councilman Ben Mahan seconded the motion. The minutes were approved 5-0.

REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION PRESENTATION

Attorney Joe Gaunt and RDC President Rich Griswold presented the 2024 RDC report to the council.

CLERK TREASURER'S REPORT

Clerk Treasurer Ben Merida presented a financial update to the council that included: interest earned to date, a budget update and a bond update.

PUBLIC HEARING

Ordinance 2025-1898 – Amendment to Chapter 94 – Zoning and Subdivisions – Article XVI – City Attorney Dale Coffey presented the ordinance for its first reading.

No comments from the public were made. The public hearing was closed, and the council meeting was reconvened.

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NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance 2025-1898 – Amendment to Chapter 94 – Zoning and Subdivisions – Article XVI –
City Attorney Dale Coffey presented the ordinance for its first reading. No action was taken.

Second Reading and Consideration of Ordinance 2025-1897 – Amendment to Sewer Use Ordinance –
City Attorney Dale Coffey presented the ordinance to the council for their consideration. A motion to approve as submitted was made by Councilman John Badger. Councilwoman Suzie Lipps seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Consideration on How to Move Forward Regarding Municipal Buildings –A motion to table until the council meeting on April 14 was made by Councilman Ben Mahan. Councilwoman Ann Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

CLAIMS

A motion to approve the claim dockets as presented was made by Councilwoman Ann Miller. Councilwoman Suzie Lipps seconded the motion. The claims were approved 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent.

Name		Signature
Phil R. Deckard II, Member, District 5, President Pro Tempore	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Phil R. Deckard Sr, Member, District 1	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Ben Mahan, Member, District 2	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Josh Ferran, Member, District 3	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Suzie Lipps, Member, District 4	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	

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Ann Miller, Member-at-Large	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
John Badger, XIV, Member-at-Large	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	

ATTEST

Name	Signature	Date
Benjamin K. Merida, Clerk-Treasurer		

MAYOR ACTION

Name	Approve <input type="checkbox"/> Veto <input type="checkbox"/>	Signature	Date
Kenneth W. Costin, Mayor			