

**MARTINSVILLE COMMON COUNCIL
MARTINSVILLE INDIANA
MORGAN COUNTY, INDIANA
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Costin called the Martinsville Common Council meeting to order on Monday, February 24, 2025. Fire Department Chaplain, Mike Ellis, 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 - Present
Ben Mahan, District 2 - Present
Josh Ferran District 3 - Present
Suzie Lipps, District 4 - Present
Phil Deckard II, District 5 - Present
Ann Miller, Councilwoman-at-Large - Present
John Badger, Councilman-at-Large - Present
Kris Fuller, Co-Council - Present
Stacey Williams, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer - Present

A quorum was declared present.

MINUTES

The minutes of the February 10, 2025, meeting were presented for consideration. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Councilwoman Suzie Lipps and seconded by Councilman John Badger. The motion passed 7-0.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Fire Chief, Kevin Greene, recognized Steven Ely for 36 years of public service. Mayor Costin presented him with a plaque from the city and Mr. Ely received a standing ovation.

*****PUBLIC HEARING*****

Mayor Costin declared that without objection, the Common Council meeting would be in recess for the purpose of conducting a public hearing.

Ordinance 2025-1897 – Amendment to Sewer Use Ordinance, Ordinance Numbers 2005-1554 and 2024-1889. City Superintendent, Mac Dunn, explained that IDEM is requiring additional verbiage on the current ordinance containing the legal authority to accept or deny any new or increased discharges from any indirect discharge. Discussion took place among the council members. No comments from the public were made. Mayor Costin declared the public hearing was closed, and that without objection, the council meeting was reconvened.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council Appointment to Police Merit Board. Council President Pro Tem, Phil Deckard II, made the motion to appoint Eric Anderson to the police merit board. Councilman, Phil Deckard, Sr., seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

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NEW BUSINESS

First Reading Ordinance 2025-1897 – Amendment to Sewer Use Ordinance, Ordinance Numbers 2005-1554 and 2024-1889. No action was taken as this is the first reading.

CLAIMS

A motion to approve the claims as presented was made by Councilman Phil Deckard II and seconded by Councilwoman Ann Miller. The claims were approved 7-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The State of the City dinner will be held on Tuesday, March 11, 2025. Tickets are on sale at the Chamber of Commerce office.

There will be a council workshop on Monday, March 3 at 6pm and the public is invited.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned without objection.

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"/>	
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"/>	

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ATTEST			
Name		Signature	Date
Benjamin K. Merida, Clerk-Treasurer			
MAYOR ACTION			
Name		Signature	Date
Kenneth W. Costin, Mayor		Approve <input type="checkbox"/> Veto <input type="checkbox"/>	