

The Common Council of the City of Wabash met in the Council Chambers of the City Hall and held a Council Meeting on Monday, March 24, 2025, in regular session. The Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison; Council Member Terry Brewer gave the prayer.

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Scott Long presiding. The roll was answered by 7 Council members: Terry Brewer, Bryan Dillon, Charlie Coyne, John Burnsworth, Mitzi Pilgrim, Eric Schoening, and Bill Barrows.

The minutes of the meeting held March 10, 2025 were approved. Council Member Burnsworth made a motion to accept the minutes as distributed. Brewer seconded the motion. All were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Second Reading of General Ordinance No. 3, 2025 – Being an Ordinance to Amend Chapter 8, Article 4, Division IX, Section 8-162 of the Wabash City Code Providing a Penalty for Violation of the Regulations Addressing Heavy Traffic on Local Streets. This amendment raises the fine for violating the ordinance to \$300. Burnsworth made a motion to approve the Second Reading of General Ordinance No.3, 2025. Council Member Barrows seconded the motion. All were in favor.**

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Proclamation of Farmer & Farmworker Awareness Week. Mayor Long read and signed the Proclamation for March 24-31.**
- 2. Compliance with Statement of Benefits Real Property – Dave Moore. Mr. Moore was present to answer questions. Council Member Dillon made a motion to approve the Compliance with Statement of Benefits Real Property – Dave Moore. Brewer seconded the motion. All were in favor.**
- 3. Compliance with Statement of Benefits Personal Property – Martin Yale Industries. A Martin Yale Industries representative was present to answer questions and stated that the company is pivoting away from traditional office products toward industrial printers. Brewer made a motion to approve the Compliance with Statement of Benefits Personal Property – Martin Yale Industries. Burnsworth seconded the motion. All were in favor.**

OTHER BUSINESS:

A letter was received by the Council regarding the resignation, effective March 18, of Kristen Petruniw from the Wabash City School Board, due to her impending employment at the high school. The relevant statute states that the school board will select her replacement to fulfill her term.

QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

There were no questions from the audience.

REPORTS FROM LIAISONS:

Schoening reported that the Park Board had a presentation by Tree City and also heard updates on the pickleball and tennis court project.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Fire Chief Oswalt thanked the Street department for assisting with a lawn repair issue after a fire run.

School Resource Officer Hipskind stated on behalf of the Police department that they've worked several accidents on 24 recently and he was very impressed with the cooperation and helpfulness shown between the various First Responder departments involved, not just during accidents but at other times such as during school fire drills, as this is not usually seen in other communities.

Mayor Long asked if there were any Title VI or ADA compliance concerns. None were heard.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next City Council meeting will be held on Monday, April 14 at 6:00 pm.

These minutes are a summary of actions taken at the Wabash City Council meeting. A video archive of the meeting is available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v0Qx9a2XeLw> for as long as this media is supported.

SCOTT LONG, MAYOR



ATTEST:

MELANIE GIVENS PENN, CLERK-TREASURER

