

## COMMON COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

May 20, 2013

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Shelbyville, Indiana, was held in the Common Council Chambers of City Hall on Monday, May 20, 2013, at 7:00 P.M. Councilman Hamilton opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, and Councilman Brown followed with a prayer. Councilmen Asher and Nolley were absent, and Mayor DeBaun presided.

Councilman Fero moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, May 6, 2013, and Councilman Brown seconded. There was no public comment. The motion was carried on a 5-0 voice vote.

Under old business, attorney Stephen Huddleston represented Addison Real Estate LLC on their Compliance with Statement of Benefits Form. Mr. Huddleston said the company was doing very well in their first year with the fracking process, and they're hoping to expand because of it. Councilman Hamilton noted that it was stated last year that tax abatement would allow the company to compete better with China, and he wondered how that was going. Mr. Huddleston said the drilling can be manufactured cheaper in China, but the delivery time and the service is so much better locally, which is why the company located in the Midwest. He also said things are moving very fast where everything is made and produced in America. Councilman Hamilton moved to approve the Compliance Form for Addison Real Estate LLC, and Councilman Brown seconded. There being no further discussion, the motion was carried on a 5-0 voice vote.

Mike Leland represented Kroger Limited Partnership I for their Compliance with Statement of Benefits hearing. He had papers passed out to the Councilmen and Mayor showing facts and figures about their location at 4301 N. 125 West. Councilman Fero asked how many spaces are available for all the people they keep hiring. Mr. Leland said that parking has become a problem, saying they have some grassy areas unfortunately, that are used for now. Mike said expansion may be in order for that area someday soon. Mike said Kroger has a twelve year agreement with Teamsters Local 135 that takes them through 2024. Councilman Fero moved to approve the Compliance Form for Kroger, and Councilman Brown seconded. The motion was carried on a 5-0 voice vote.

Stuart Kaplan represented KVA, LLC (Makuta) for their Compliance with Statement of Benefits Form at 2155 Intelliplex Drive, in Shelbyville. Mr. Kaplan said their payroll in 2012 was \$396,000.00, and in 2013 it's projected to be \$501,803.00. Mr. Kaplan said a few of the part-time JAG Program students have gone on to work for them full time, and it's been a great experience for them. He said their business has gone up 54%, and most of their original employees from Columbus, are now from Shelby County. Only 3 are left from Columbus, and one is from Greenfield. Mr. Kaplan talked about some exciting new medical devices that will help people. Mayor DeBaun wanted to thank Stu for his involvement in the Rose-Hulman project, and overall for the industry and education efforts in which he's been involved. He said Stu was a good ambassador for the community and the City appreciates his being one of the frontrunners in those efforts. Stu thanked the Mayor, and he said he's been asked to make a presentation about Shelbyville, Rose-Hulman, and the JAG Program to a lot of HR people on the West Coast in two weeks. Councilman Brown said he remembered from last year that Stu was looking for a robotics programmer and he was curious if someone was found. Stu said one was found, and he was right here living in Shelbyville. On top of that, Stu said this programmer knew someone else who was also hired by Makuta. Councilman Hamilton moved to approve KVA's Compliance Form, and Councilman Brown seconded. The motion was carried on a 5-0 voice vote.

Stephanie Geary represented Triumph Fabrications – Shelbyville for their Compliance with Statement of Benefits Forms hearing. She said employment increased from 106 last year to 123 this year, and their sales increased over three million dollars from the previous year. Councilman Hamilton asked what percentage work they did for the military. She said they do some military, but it's mostly commercial, with around 20% for the military. Councilman Brown moved to approve all the Compliance Forms and Councilman Hamilton seconded. The motion was carried on a 5-0 voice vote.

Attorney Stephen Schrumpf represented Yushiro Mfg. America, Inc. (YUMA) for their Compliance with Statement of Benefits Forms. He said he not only is their legal counsel, but he's also their Human Resources manager. He said it's a great place for all 37 employees to work, and the company is also trying to hire a salesperson who speaks fluent Japanese. No employees have left in the last three years, and sales are up 5% this year. While the company is small, Stephen said it's very profitable, and one that will be here a long time. He said the company does not have any long-term debt. Councilman Fero asked if YUMA has a lot of scientists. Stephen said it has 10 chemists, most of whom are bilingual, and very well educated. Stephen welcomed everyone who wants to see their labs out there, to give him a call, and he'd be happy to show them around. Councilman Fero moved to approve the Compliance Forms for YUMA, and Councilman Hamilton seconded. The motion was carried on a 5-0 voice vote.

There was no new business.

Although there won't be any more students in attendance because high school Government classes have ended, Councilman Hamilton asked the one student in attendance to be recognized. She was Momoco, a Japanese student from our Sister City who is working and studying as an intern for a six month period here in Shelbyville.

There being no further business, Councilman Hamilton moved to adjourn.

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Thomas D. DeBaun  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Frank M. Zerr  
Clerk-Treasurer