

**Joint Common Council/Utility Commission Meeting Minutes**

June 11, 2013

*Approved*

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Call to order at 7:05 pm by Mayor Stanek

Roll call.

Pledge of Allegiance

Presentation on water rate case by Melanie Lendowski of Johnson Block. The City has to file a rate case with the Public Service Commission as a requirement of the CDBG-PF grant and Safe Drinking Water Loan the City received for the new well. The percent increase requested is 19.3%. The City did a 3% simplified rate case in 2012, and Melanie encourages us to do that type of rate case every few years to keep up.

Eno/Madden motion to recommend to the Common Council approve the water rate case. All ayes. Carried.

Garvin/Mendum motion to approve the water rate case application as presented. All ayes. Carried.

Presentation on preliminary audit by Melanie Lendowski of Johnson Block.

Discussion on refinancing city and utility debt. Steward gave an update on where we are at and what we need to do. Garvin expanded on that. Steward will contact Royal Bank to see how they could help with the refinancing. Council is looking for a recommendation from Steward after he does his research. The decision will be made at the July meeting.

Discussion on projects for CDBG-PF grant application. Garvin presented on the meeting he and Steward had at MSA in Baraboo last week. The city has received this grant numerous times in the past. The CDBG program has gone to a single submittal time frame. MSA submitted on behalf of the City a SDWLP intent to apply application and included a project that scored 80 and this included a river crossing for water on Elroy Street, water mains on Franklin, Alley behind City Hall, Merrill, and Kittleson. This would be a joint utility and street project. Grant application due in fall for use in 2014.

Pfost/Krueger motion to adjourn at 8:07 pm. All ayes. Carried.