

Common Council Meeting Minutes

July 8, 2014

Approved

Call to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Stanek

Roll call: Klipstein, Krueger, Garvin, Huber, Pfof and Stanek – Here.

In addition: Steward, Jefferson, and James Man - Ehlers

Minutes: Garvin/Krueger motion to approve minutes from June 10 and 17. All ayes. Carried.

Public Comment: None

Communications:

Mayor – None

Council – None

Administrator – read letter from Dorothy McReynolds about tree on Brooklyn; Barbara Lee about trailer park; and letter about shingles at library from Gary O’Leary.

Consent:

Discussion and possible action on fire burn permit for Joe Schultz.

Huber/Garvin motion to approve. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on operator’s license for Laurie Thomas.

Pfof/Huber motion to approve. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on further roof repairs to the Library (new shingles).

Garvin/Krueger motion to approve and to use Gary O’Leary. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on certified survey map for JNJ and Bardo

Garvin/Krueger motion to authorize the City Administrator to proceed with the CSM for the combination of the JNJ lot with the Bardo Custom Blending lot. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on TID revenue bonds and borrowing from State Trust Funds.

Ehlers is working with Royal Bank but the rates came back higher than the State Trust Fund. A special meeting may be necessary. The TID revenue bonds will be to the amount of \$690,000.

Discussion on 2015 budget schedule.

Steward presented the budget schedule and the August 12 meeting is crucial for the Council to set the tone for the process for the department heads.

Discussion on park planning meeting.

Scheduled for Tuesday July 15 at the Library

Discussion and possible action on building inspections for 110 South Main and 209 Academy Street.

Garvin is asking the Council to support this activity which may lead to the raising of these and other houses. Jefferson reported that the inspector may need an inspection warrant to get in, but also may be able to look at from the outside and make a determination that way. Steward looked up the taxes on each property. Pfof feels it is lower the property values of the neighbors and the community as a whole. Krueger thinks we are playing around with these owners too much and need to take action.

Garvin/Pfof motion to have City Administrator to contact building inspector to inspect these properties. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on having the Assessor complete a re-evaluation of all properties in Elroy.

Steward reported that he did not receive a proposal from Holloway yet.

Discussion on resolution to close Elroy Street.

Have to wait 40 days so will not take place until August 12.

Discussion and action on amending the contract with Vierbicher for grant application

Garvin / Huber motion to approve Amendment #1 with Vierbicher. Roll Call. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on environmental site assessment

Garvin / Pfof motion to approve ESA Phase 1 contract with MSA not to exceed \$3000. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on Ordinance 404 and 405

Klipstein / Pfof motion to adopt Ordinance 404 regulating firearms, explosives, and other missiles, and more specifically about bow hunting within the city limits and Ordinance 405 regulating concealed weapons.

Krueger stated he does not support the hunting within city limits. He will not vote for this ordinance.

Vote on Ordinance 404 – 4 -1 (Krueger)

Vote on Ordinance 405 – All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on CDBG-PF street and water project to include area in front of powerhouse.

Huber, Garvin and Steward presented on a water main break on Franklin Street outside the current project boundaries. The engineer was at the Streets committee meeting and mentioned that the cost will be an additional \$65,000.

Garvin / Krueger motion to have the City Administrator work with the City Engineer to include a new water main east of 2nd Street on Franklin Street up to the bridge. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion on budget.

Budget was reported at the Finance Committee. Budget is right on track with the Commons

Discussion on Expenditures.

Garvin/Huber motion to approve bills. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Reports:

Utility Commission update: Krueger reported that projects are moving forward with the Sewer and Water and Electric.

Streets: Garvin reported about the fair and the clean up still necessary. Discussed water main and streets projects.

Ordinance: Discussion on ordinance amendments and the conditions of 209 Academy, 110 South Main, and 205 Spring Street. Will be working on ordinance amendments starting with chapter 1 next month.

Parks: Will be having a community on Tuesday July 15.

Finance: Working on budget

CDA: There will be a meeting on Wednesday July 16 at the Library to hear the presentation by the WTC students on the facades of downtown.

Administrator: Steward reported on Bardo, WEDC grant, Brunner expansion, 523 Franklin Street – soil test results are in, just waiting on approval of the Adams County landfill before the soil is hauled, then building will be taken down; no updates on 108 prospect; nothing new on citations. Mobile home park update – wants extension and wood removed. Council wants action - not gone by July 31, Retzlaff will get citations.

Krueger would like to see the road widened at Royall and CTH P. This will be on the next Streets Committee meeting.

Garvin / Pfof motion to go into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85 (c). Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Garvin/Pfof motion to reconvene into open session. All ayes. Carried.

Next meeting is August 12, 2014

Garvin/Huber motion to adjourn at 9:00 pm. All ayes. Carried.

Mark Steward
City Administrator