

Common Council Meeting Minutes

September 9, 2014

Approved

Call to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Stanek

Roll call: Klipstein, Garvin, Huber, Pfof and Stanek – Here. Krueger excused absent
In addition: Steward, Jefferson, Campfield, Lange, Eno, Rodney Knuth

Minutes: Garvin/Pfof motion to approve minutes from August 11 and 12. All ayes. Carried.
Need to see and approve the July minutes at October meeting.

Public Comment: Rodney Knuth from Fire and Ambulance Commission – probably substantial increase to the budget of the ambulance. Meeting a few weeks ago to consider a County – wide ambulance service with Mauston, Camp Douglas. Having a hard time keeping people there and active on calls since staffing of EMT's have to have 2 on the rig. City may be looking at a levy request of \$50,000. 2 people on 24 hours a day is the reason for the increase, if we want 24 hour coverage. Need 15 transfers a month to make it a go. Mauston and Camp Douglas went to advanced EMT, and Elroy is still basic, so Elroy has lost transfers. They have 10 EMT's on staff now.

Closed Session:

Garvin/Huber motion to go into closed session at 7:13 pm pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85(c) – considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the government body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. To discuss the sewer and water superintendent position with the Utility Commission. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Garvin/Huber motion to reconvene into open session. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on sewer and water superintendent position.

Garvin/Pfof motion to authorize the City Administrator to advertise for position of Public Works Director, and Steward will develop a job description with the assistance of other communities. Utility Commission will vote as part of this motion as this is a Joint Meeting. Roll call. All ayes. Unanimous. Carried.

Communications:

Mayor – Mayor went to workshop in Eau Claire on executives put on by League of Wisconsin Municipalities. Everyone needs the opportunity to go to this.

Mayor would like to reappoint Roger Campfield to the Utility Commission for another 5 year term.

Garvin/Huber motion to confirm appointment of Roger Campfield to Utility Commission for another 5 year term. All ayes. Carried.

Council – Klipstein: It was brought to her attention that the picnic tables at the park were full of bird feces. Who is responsible for the clean-up? Need to communicate with Paris and Jamie and Mark on when to clean. People are showering without paying – how do we handle this? Klipstein would like to see a package deal at the park for groups of 15 or more to include camping, pool, canoeing, and a breakfast.

Administrator – read thank you note from Don and Linda Taskonis

Consent:

Discussion and possible action on
Garvin/Huber motion to approve retailer license for Fair Association for Apple Dumpling days. Vote of 3 to 1 (Pfof). Carried.

Discussion and possible action on
Garvin/Huber motion to approve operator's license for Marie Preuss. Vote 3 to 1 (Pfof). Carried.

Discussion and possible action on revenue bond. Steward updated Council on the status of the bond and that he will send a letter to the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands in response. He is working with Jim Mann of Ehlers on the submittal.

Discussion and possible action on Developer Agreements with Brunner Wire Products and RBJ Developments.
Steward updated on the two projects at hand at the lower plant and at the Hilltop facility.
Garvin/Huber motion to authorize City Administrator and City Attorney to finalize developers agreement with Brunner Wire Products for utility work associated with expansion. All ayes. Carried.

Garvin/ motion to authorize City Administrator and City Attorney to finalize developers agreement with RBJ Developments at the Hilltop Precision facility to contribute towards that part of the project within the City Limits. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on floodplain study at the City Park.
Steward and Garvin explained the need to study the Park to determine where the buildings are located and where modifications can be made. Steward will solicit a bid from Vierbicher since they did the work upstream for the floodproofing project.

Discussion and possible action on retaining an architect for City Hall improvements.
Garvin/Klipstein motion to recommend City Administrator to get a proposal from Cameron Aslaksen to do City Hall. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on Resolution 964 – designating TID3 as distressed.
Pfof/Garvin motion to approve Resolution 964. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on Resolution 965 – approving the project plan amendment for TID4.
Pfof/Garvin motion to approve Resolution 965. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on Resolution 966 – designating TID4 as a “donor” TID and approving the project plan amendment.
Pfof/Garvin motion to approve Resolution 966. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on Resolution 967 – designating TID5 as a “donor” TID and approving the project plan amendment.

Pfost/Garvin motion to approve Resolution 967. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Expenditures:

Garvin/Huber motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$56,651.75. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Review Draft Budget:

Steward reviewed budget by department and has now broken out TIF from the budget.

Reports:

Streets: Tree cutting will be handled by Tanner Dobbratz.

Ordinance: 119 Main still needs to be razed. Quote by Kendall Trucking so far, will get other quotes. Public hearing on rezoning of country estates to R-1. Reviewing ordinance chapter by chapter.

Parks: Still trying to get canoeing going, still trying to clean up river. Will be meeting with park stakeholders in November.

LRP: Talked about TID resolutions. Talked about the role of the committee. Will look at comprehensive plan and from EDI.

CDA: Talked about Brunner projects and Bardo project.

Administrator:

Next meeting is October 14, 2014 at 7:00 pm.

Garvin/Huber motion to adjourn at 10:10 pm. All ayes. Carried.

Mark Steward
City Administrator