

Common Council Meeting Minutes

April 19, 2016

Approved

Joint Meeting with Utility Commission

Call to order by Council President Garvin

Roll Call. Common Council: Klipstein, Lindemann, Garvin, Huber, no District 5, Stanek.
Utility Commission: Campfield, Eno, Lindemann, Lange, Madden
Others: Steward, Kuester, Jefferson

Public Comment:
none

Closed Session:
Lindemann/Madden motion to go into closed session pursuant to Wis Stats (1)(e). Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Madden/Eno Motion to reconvene into open session. All ayes. Carried.

Recommendation for authorization of signing a letter of intent.
Not going to proceed on the letter of intent at this time and inform AEP of this decision.
Lindemann/Eno motion to not sign letter of intent with AEP regarding the solar array. All ayes. Carried.
Steward will communicate with AEP at this time.

Discussion and possible action on solar array project in Elroy.
Continue to research the prospects of installing a solar array in Elroy, meeting with UMMEG, LaFarge, Vernon Electric and others regarding solar. Market conditions dictate that it is not feasible at this time.

Eno/Lange motion to adjourn. All ayes. Carried.

Common Council Meeting

Call to Order by Council President Garvin at 7:00pm

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Election Results
Steward reported on the results. Mayor won on write-in vote of 96 to 49 over Melissa Muehlenkamp.

Swearing in of newly elected members of Districts 2 and 4.
Swore in by Steward.

Discussion and possible action on District 5 Alderperson.
Will allow Mayor to appoint a representative.

Approval of Minutes from 3/8/2016

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

Public Comment:

Kristin Schultz, lives on Prospect Street. Lives in the Parsonage next to church on Prospect Street. Her house is located 6 feet from the church. Church was scheduled for demolition. Bricks are falling off and hitting siding. No downspouts so water is running into her basement. She is open to discussion on selling her house to the City to demo with the church. Gerke was going to take the church down for \$54,000 and she would sell her house for \$54,000. She doesn't think she will be able to sell the house due to the church next door.

Garvin responded that taxes are being paid and a lot of houses need attention in this City. Asked Steward if he has talked to them. Steward said no. Need to call them in to discuss minimum requirements of safety and water issues.

Communications:

Mayor – not here – Committee assignments will be made in May. If you want changes please let Steward and or the Mayor know.

Council – Klipstein – need to be an inspection on the old subway building. The tenant moved out due to unsafe conditions and will be moving to the old barber shop.

Administrator –

PUBLIC HEARING:

Call to order public hearing on a petition to rezone certain lands in the City of Elroy owned by John and Victoria Hansen on Lincoln Street.

Lindemann/Huber motion to approve burn permit for Zindorf. All ayes Carried.

Discussion on Kaz's request for street use permit.

Application in packet. Steward explained briefly. Need sketch of what part of street to use and need dates. Need more details. Council supports, but needs details so we can have 2-way traffic. Will they be drinking outside?

Discussion on donation to the Fair.

Budget \$1000. Klipstein/Lindemann motion to donate money to the Fair. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Introduction of petition and ordinance for annexation of lands to the City of Elroy on Weger Road.

Discussion and possible action on solar array – no further action.

Discussion and possible action on housing issues:

Garvin/Lindemann motion to proceed with a raze order on 306 2nd Main Street and use funds from TID3 to pay for it. Steward will check taxes. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

209 Academy – Steward will send a letter. Need it graded and he needs to seed and mow.

1421 Academy – a little progress was made.

103 S. Brooklyn – waiting on the report.

Discussion on Warner building.

Offering the building for \$42,000 to the City. Is the answer is no, then they would put about \$30,000 into the building to address the façade and brick work and the roof, then will sell it. Steward will communicate with them and work with them.

Discussion on Stewardship grant.

Steward explained. Grant due May 1. Work on the trails and at the park would qualify.

Garvin/Huber motion to approve resolution 998 for submittal of DNR Stewardship grant. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Expenditures.

Lindemann/Huber motion to approve expenditures. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Admin Report:

Auditor will present on May 17. No update on water/sewer grant. MFCG status will be decided in August/September and they extended the deadline so hopefully we will still get the grant. Our consultant called to voice our concern. DNR was here last week and toured the burn site. We will be removing the demolition debris in the next few weeks by using Lenorud.

Streets – Huber reported on tires at the park – they are gone. Spring clean-up and sidewalks. Talked about getting a new lawnmower with trade in. Discussion trade in of trucks for one or two. Plowing was discussed

Library – Kari Pruess made an annual report. Can it be posted on the City website? Answer is yes, just email it to Amy.

Finance and Personnel – Nothing. Need to have meeting in May. Need to discuss personnel policies and sick leave policy.

Parks – Got rid of tires. Looking at a work day to do roof on bathrooms. Chamber may pay for roof. Saemisch and Lindemann will run the river to check on it.

Fire and Ambulance – Steward passed out the finances. New pumper is ordered. Paint night went pretty good for the ambulance.

Utility Commission – catalytic converters tested, passed and submitted to EPA/DNR. Accomplishing tasks in the electric department. Computer on the SCADA system crashed and new computer was installed.

Garvin/Lindemann motion to retain Castle Rock Realty as our listing agent for one more year. All ayes. Carried.

Next meeting May 17 and have auditor present at joint meeting with Utility Commission

Huber/Klipstein motion to adjourn at 9:11 pm. All ayes. Carried.

Mark Steward
City Administrator