

Common Council Meeting Minutes

December 16, 2014

Approved

Call to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Stanek

Roll Call.

Klipstein – here

District 2 Vacant

Garvin – here

Huber – here

Pfost – here

Stanek – here

Also in attendance: Mark Steward, City Administrator, William Jefferson, Attorney, Todd Lindemann, Dave Cosmos, Bill Collins and Dianna Anderson

Pledge of Allegiance

Klipstein/Garvin motion to approve minutes. All ayes. Carried.

Public Comment:

None

Communications:

Mayor to appoint Todd Lindemann

Garvin/Huber motion to approve Todd Lindemann as District 2 Alderperson. All ayes. Carried.

Oath of Office issued to Todd Lindemann

Appointments: Klipstein to Library Board and Todd Lindemann to Utility Commission, Fire and Ambulance Commission and Board of Appeals by the Mayor.

Garvin/Huber motion to confirm and approve Todd Lindemann to Utility Commission, Fire and Ambulance Commission, and Board of Appeals; Tessa Klipstein to Library Board; All ayes. Carried.

Emergency Government Director appointment of Steward, default to Mayor if Steward not available.

Council: Garvin presented the draft of Council Goals and the JPR for the City Administrator. He is asking for input and action in January.

Garvin – last time we can submit comments to the PSC for the ATC powerline is January 5, 2015. Garvin recommends submitting another letter in opposition to the line coming through the southern part of Elroy and recommend the northern route as the route through Elroy has the potential to negatively effect and impact the City owned property. Council directs Steward to draft letter to PSC regarding Badger Coulee line.

Discussion and possible action on Resolution 975.

Garvin/Pfost motion to approve Resolution 975. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on Director of Public Works and staffing in water and sewer.

Steward presented the discussion had by the Utility Commission. Plan B is to have Lind and Saemsich as Operators-in-charge and hire in staff beneath them. Council agrees to hire this way.

Discussion and possible action on Resolution #974

Steward reported that the Utility Commission is asking for an increase in sewer rates for offsite wastewater. This will not affect individual property rates.

Garvin/Pfost motion to approve Resolution #974. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on operator's licenses for Kristin Vranish and Andrew Griffin.

Klipstein/Huber motion to approve Vranish and Griffin operator's licenses. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on alternate side parking ordinance.

The West side of Second Main Street and the East side of North Brooklyn and South Brooklyn is not in the ordinance but it is on the sheet we provide to residents and the newspaper. Jefferson reviewed the ordinance. Garvin asked that the Police and Ladwig get together and discuss the options and report back to the Council at next Council meeting and Jefferson will draft amendment.

Discussion and possible action on Community Service Day.

Garvin presented an idea to have the Council establish a Community Service Day and the Council will participate in a project at the park. Put the Park Planning group back together in January and ask them to handle some park projects as well. Garvin asked the Council if they will take on projects at the Park, possibly painting the school house.

Klipstein said she would help. Pfost said it depends on his work commitments. Council Members are in agreement to help out. Steward and Jefferson will participate as well.

Discussion and possible action on Main Street property acquisition and raze.

Steward informed the Council that the City purchased the Hawkhunter property at 125 Main Street on the corner of Franklin and Main Street. Purchased this as part of implementing the downtown plan for future development.

Discussion and possible action on citations and possible raze of homes.

Steward handed out new matrix on the property issues in Elroy. Next raze order properties include 306 Second Main, 110 S. Main and 209 Academy. Normally the property owner is given 60 days to give us a plan to take the building down. If they do nothing by the end of 60 days then the City can take the building down and put the costs on the taxes.

Garvin/Huber motion to direct Bill Jefferson to prepare a Resolution for a raze order on 110 S. Main Street. All ayes. Carried.

Garvin/Pfost motion to direct Bill Jefferson to prepare a Resolution for a raze order of 209 Academy Street. All ayes. Carried.

Garvin/Huber motion to authorize the City Administrator to contract an inspection of the building at 306 Second Main Street. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on archery authorizations for Tyler Brown at 105 Center Street and Tony Green at 211 Western Avenue.

Pfost/Garvin motion to approve Tyler Brown and Tony Green archery authorizations. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion and possible action on Expenditures.

Zindorf interested in getting out of being the Cemetery Sextion

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

Reports:

\$25 gift certs to staff. Steward informed the Council that the Bardo project is on track with middle of January timeframe for moving product into the warehouse. The city did not get the WEDC CDIG and we are working on a new submittal due in January. The sewer portion of the Brunner project is complete, water and paving will be completed in the spring. Steward continues to work with Cameron Architects on the City Hall remodel. Warner's project is delayed.

Utility Commission update.

Steward updated from the UC earlier in the day.

Community Development Update:

Garvin reported on the activities of the CDA. There is a façade program that they are implementing and hoping to get 4 or 5 businesses to take part in the program.

Next meeting is January 13, 2015.

Need committee meetings. Garvin would like a Finance Committee meeting on Monday January 12 at 6:30 pm. Ordinance Committee at 6:00 pm on January 13. Streets Committee on January 2 at 2:00 pm meeting at Street Shop. Long Range Planning set it for February.

Klipstein/Pfost motion to adjourn at 8:25 p.m.

Mark Steward
City Administrator