

Common Council Meeting Minutes

February 9, 2021

Approved

Call to Order @ 7:00 pm

Roll Call: Present: Lindemann, Peterson, Madden, and Schroeder. Absent: Huber. Also in attendance Carole Brown, Lynn Thorson and Tony Green and Mayor Karen Sparling.

Pledge of Allegiance

Schroeder/Madden to approve minutes from January 12, 2021. All ayes. Carried.

Public Comment – Kelli Lambesis asked if the council would have a way to broadcast the meetings on-line so people who couldn't attend in person could still participate in the meetings.

Mayor Communication-Terri Madden requested to be replaced on the Police Commission. Mayor makes a recommendation to have Pam Paulson complete Terri's term which will end in 2022.

Lindemann/Schroeder motion to appoint Pam Paulsen to replace Terri Madden on the Police Commission until the term expires in 2022. All ayes. Carried.

Council Communication-Council discussed possibility of changing the meeting times but ultimately decided to keep the meetings at 7pm because that allows other committees to meet between utility and council meetings.

Ordinance #436 requesting to re-zone a property from R2 to I1 was introduced. Clerk explained the re-zone process and that the public hearing will take place at the next meeting.

Lindemann/Schroeder motion to approve a burning permit for 301 Western Ave. All ayes. Carried.

Lindemann/Madden motion to approve a Class "B" Beer license and a Class "C" Wine license for the Elroy Theatre. All ayes. Carried.

Lindemann/Madden motion to approve the Park Exclusive Use Permit for NTM (Larry Ormson) Party in the Park on July 23 and 24, 2021. All ayes. Carried.

Possible removal and replacement of the fence at the park was discussed. It was decided to send the matter to the park committee and to get quotes for a new fence and removal of the old one.

Lindemann/Schroeder motion to accept the \$6,000 bid from Edwards Stump Grinding to remove two trees and their stumps from the city cemetery. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Lindemann/Madden motion to approve County Highway Aid payment. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Lindemann/Schroeder motion to approve extending the Families First Coronavirus Response Act mandate through March 31, 2021. All ayes. Carried.

Lindemann/Peterson motion to approve the Police Union Contract for 2021-2023. All ayes. Carried.

Madden/Schroeder motion to approve proposal for a new server from JComp Technologies. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Jim Garvin from the CDA discussed TID3 Mainstreet improvements.

Lindemann/Schroeder motion to approve Resolution #1090R1-Submission of EDA Grant Application. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Lindemann/Peterson motion to approve Resolutions #1101-1106-Purchase of Flood Damaged Homes. Roll call. All ayes. Carried.

Green updated status of property issues.

Madden/Lindemann to approve expenditures as presented. Roll Call. All ayes. Carried.

Reports: Administrator provided written report that was included in packet. Chief provided verbal update regarding posting officer job vacancy on Wilenet-2 moth process, attending Chief's Conference, radio trade in program.

CDA-Met last night and discussed downtown project and Tailor made project.

Finance/Personnel-Met to discuss front desk position, will discuss in closed session.

Ordinance-None

Parks-met and discussed park fence, canoe ramp design

Streets-None

Utility-Met earlier tonight. Discussion included: EDA Grant, Ackerman Rd transformers are ordered, ordered bucket truck to be delivered May 2022

Fire/Ambulance-Had quarterly meeting last night.

Library-Will meet on Thursday at 3:30pm

Police-Met in January to discuss filling vacated officer position.

Madden/Schroeder motion to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(e) – Deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Discuss possible acquisition of property and potential development. And Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(c) – Consideration of employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee. Discuss the Administrative Assistant position and salary.

Madden/Schroeder to reconvene into open session.

Madden/Schroeder motion to reinstate vacation time for Geena Skowronski and to give a 2.00 an hour pay increase to Lynn Thorson and Geena Skowronski retroactive to January 2.

Upcoming meetings:

March 9, 2021 Council Meeting

April 14, 2021 Open Book 3:00-5:00 pm

April 20, 2021 Council Meeting

April 28, 2021 Board of Review 5:00-7:00 pm

Madden/Schroeder to adjourn at 9:30 pm. All ayes. Carried.

Lynn Thorson, Clerk