

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Council President Fred Smith called the regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Watertown to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 17, 2015, in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed the following members present: Alderpersons McFarland, Smith, Berg, Larsen, Zgonc, Raether, Tietz, Maron and Romlein. (9) Absent: Mayor David. Also present were Fire Chief Greg Michalek, Police Chief Tim Roets, City Engineer Jaynellen Holloway, City Attorney Will Gruber and City Clerk/Treasurer Cindy Rupprecht.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING

Council President Smith inquired if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the meeting held Tuesday, March 3, 2015. There being none, the minutes were approved as presented.

PUBLIC HEARING

Council President Smith declared open the Public Hearing, at 7:08 p.m., regarding the rezoning of property located at 420 E. Horseshoe Road from HI (Heavy Industrial) to GI (General Industrial) at the request of Clasen Quality Coatings. There being no persons wishing to speak regarding this rezoning, Council President Smith declared the Public Hearing closed at 7:09 p.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee, March 9, 2015. 1. Discuss Presentation & Future Steps Going Forward – Library Board. After discussion there were 3 items members wanted specific information relating to. 1) The estimated land acquisition cost for the other businesses and residence that will need to be purchased. 2) Estimated future costs of increased staffing needs, and; 3) What the plans are for coordinating expansion of the Library with the Downtown Redevelopment Plan. The issue will come back at a future Finance Committee meeting. 2. Approve Baker Rullman Railroad Spur Upgrade Contract Award. The Committee reviewed the bids related to upgrading the Railroad Spur associated with Baker Rullman's expansion project. This is to be funded with a TEA Grant of a 50% reimbursement, up to \$150,000.00. Baker Rullman will cover all contract expenses with no cost to the City. A resolution will be presented recommending the low bid by Railworks of Lakeville, MN for \$258,555.00. 3. Approve new hire for Aquatics Manager position. Motion was made and seconded to approve the hiring of Kelli Kuenzi. 4. Review bids for Outdoor Warning Siren. Motion was made and seconded to recommend the bid of Federal Signals of \$19,513.29. A resolution will be presented. 5. Approve new hire for a Preventative Maintenance Operator position for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Motion was made and seconded to approve the hiring of Justin Clark. 6. Closed Session per Wis. Stat. §19.85(1)(g). Motion was made and seconded to move into closed session. Following the closed session, the Committee returned to open session to announce its decision. The City Attorney is directed to notify the Airport Commission that, under no circumstances, should Central Aviation be required, nor should any other person be allowed, to remove the cement pad or otherwise disturb the soil upon which Central Aviations Hangar is built. The report was received and placed on file.

Public Works Commission, March 10, 2015. 1. Review Consumer Confidence Report. Kevin Freber provided a summary of the 2014 Consumer Confidence Report on the quality of water in our City. Kevin reported that our water is safe and meets all Federal and State drinking water requirements. 2. Review Amending Chapter 21, Articles 1 & 2 of our Municipal Code. Zoning Administrator Jacob Maas summarized the changes regarding residential properties. Much of the language is new and meant to be more proactive in dealing with the maintenance standards for housing units.

The purpose is to get property owners of vacant and foreclosed properties to register with the Building Inspection Department. There is a \$50.00 registration fee required. Jacob then summarized changes to Article 2, dealing with commercial properties. There would be quarterly inspections by the Building Inspection Department to identify neglected, dangerous, abandoned or derelict and blighted property. Registration again, would be a \$50.00 fee charged to the property owner. These changes are recommended to be presented to the Plan Commission for further review. 3. Review Amending Chapter 13, Building Code. Jacob Maas reported that a Cooperative Agreement with the Town of Emmet lead to an awareness by our City Staff of a gap needing to be fixed related to signage within the City growth area. The recommendation is to remove language from Chapter 13.50 to Chapter 13.58 and insert this verbiage into Chapters 18.210 and Chapter 18.219 of our City Code. These changes will be forwarded to the Plan Commission for review. 4. Review & Approve Storm Water Permit. Rick Schultz summarized the 2014 Annual Storm Water Permit required to be submitted to the State. The plan documents our usage of road salt and provides two years of Storm Water Budgets. Rick reminded the Commission that dollars will be needed in the coming years to deal with phosphorous in the Storm Water. A resolution will be presented authorizing the submittal of the report. 5. Review & approve Brandt/Quirk Tennis Court Project. A low bid from Valley Sealcoat Inc. of \$161,329.00 is over budget, however; last year the Tennis Association donated \$17,500.00, which will be used to make up the difference. A resolution will be presented. 6. Review Street Projects with 5 Year Plan. Rick went over the hand out that he provided to the Commission showing street work for 2015 and estimated project costs for resurfacing, reconstruction and seal coating through 2020. 7. Review Recycling Gravel Pilot Program. Rick Schultz provided an update on this program he is involved with the DNR, DOT and our recycling contractor, utilizing crushed recycled glass with our gravel at a ratio of 80% gravel to 20% crushed glass. Once the glass is crushed it is like sand in composition. We will try it on a small area of road construction to see how it works. 8. Baker Rullman Railroad Spur Upgrade Contract Update. Engineer Holloway provided an update, stating the low bidder was Railworks of Lakeville, MN at a cost of \$258,555.00. This is to be funded with a TEA Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, which will offer up to 50% reimbursement at a max of \$150,000.00. The grant has not been officially approved yet, but should be in a few days. 9. Update on dip netting from Milwaukee Street Bridge. Alderperson Berg provided a summary of what has been accomplished so far. A revised Dip Netting Permit was reviewed. Discussion then took place on the rigs that some dip netters use and their appropriateness was discussed. This will be discussed again in two weeks and a recommendation to the Council will be made at that time. In the meantime, dip netters are using the existing dip net rules. The report was received and placed on file.

Public Safety & Welfare Committee, March 4, 2015. 1. Discuss Park Use Suspension Ordinance.

After discussion it was decided that a 4-14 day suspension was a fair length of time to serve, depending upon the violation. It was also agreed to have an appeal process. A suspended citizen would be able to appeal to the Park & Rec. Director, which includes a \$30.00 processing fee. Motion was made and seconded to forward this to the Park & Rec. Commission for their approval. 2. Discuss alterations to the regulation of Alarm Systems. Police Chief Roets was present to explain the current ordinance dealing with multiple false alarm calls. Chief Roets estimated that the cost per call is approximately \$50.00. After discussion it was decided to revise the ordinance to read in a 12 month rolling period the first 2 calls are at no charge and any future calls will be \$50.00 each. A revised ordinance will be presented. The report was received and placed on file.

COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MAYOR

David Schroeder, President of Baker Rullman, was present representing WEDO. Mr. Schroeder informed the Council that he has been owner of the business, Baker Rullman, for the past 10 years. Mr. Schroeder stated he finds

it refreshing to get the processes necessary to make progress versus not receiving road blocks when contacting City staff. He thanked the Alderpersons for their support of WEDO.

Council President Smith then asked Fire Chief Michalek to briefly explain the SAFER Grant, which is being applied for. This is a grant program where the City is requesting 100% of the cost of three positions for two years. Fire Chief Michalek explained the increases in call volumes and the need for these additional positions.

Council President Smith then informed the Council that the next meeting would be held on Monday, April 6, due to the election on April 7.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Certified accounts in the amount of \$276,781.27 were presented for payment. Alderperson Romlein moved to pay all certified accounts, seconded by Alderperson Berg and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 9, No – None. (Complete listing of accounts payable is on file and open for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk/Treasurer.)

REPORTS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

The following reports were presented: Airport Commission – January 14, 2015. Board of Health – February 19, 2015. Community Development Authority – February 19, 2015. Historic Preservation & Downtown Design Commission – February 18, 2015. Payroll Summaries – February 18 – March 3, 2015. Plan Commission – March 9, 2015. Site Plan Review Committee – March 9, 2015. All reports were accepted as printed.

LICENSES

The following made application for a Special Event license: WI Lutheran Synod, Art Auction at Heritage Homes, 7000 Welsh Road, Saturday, April 18, 2015, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Alderperson Maron moved to grant this license, seconded by Alderperson Larsen and carried on a voice vote.

The following made applications for Beverage Operator Applications for year ending June 30, 2015: Malissa R. Adkins, N2002 Hickory Rd., Watertown, WI; Abigail M. Anderson, Watertown, WI; Kim L.N. Anthony, 1514 Greencrest Dr., Watertown, WI; Ricky Ann DeCono, W5916 E. Clymet Rd., Watertown, WI; Jill L. Filut, N72 W24740 Good Hope Rd., Lisbon, WI; Denis Greatens, 415 S. Water St., Watertown, WI; Judith L. Halvorsen, 710 S. Fourth St., #2, Watertown, WI; Amanda M. Jannke, 504 S. Seventh St., Watertown, WI; Wallace C. Kurtz, 207 Cherrywood Ln., Watertown, WI; Nicolette M. Pilgrim, 127 S. Concord Ave., Watertown, WI; Denise M. Pirkel, 1011 Carr St., Watertown, WI; Gregory D. Scheiderer, 745 W. Main St., Watertown, WI; Susan J. Seibel, 310 ½ N. Church St., Watertown, WI; Joshua D. Stephens-Masko, 218 N. Maple St., Watertown, WI; Teri M. Strohschein, 119 Fremont St., Watertown, WI; Alicia C. Strup, 1207 Riverview Ln., Watertown, WI; Timothy S. Ziebell, 612 S. Second St., #1, Watertown, WI; Rachel M. Zoellick, 209 Sunnyfield Ct., Apt. C, Watertown, WI. Alderperson Maron moved for the adoption of the licenses as listed on Exhibit A-1, seconded by Alderperson Larsen and carried on a voice vote.

Council President Smith then made note that the application for Heritage Inn Hotel had been withdrawn.

ORDINANCES

Ord. #15-4, to create Section 7.06(2)(z-2) of Chapter 7 of the Traffic Code, Parking Reserved For Vehicles of Disabled was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Zgonc. From: The Public Safety & Welfare Committee. And;*

Ord. #15-5, to recreate Section 7.09(1)(z-20) of Chapter 7 of the Traffic Code, Parking Prohibited in Specified Places was presented. *Sponsor Alderperson Zgonc. From: The Public Safety & Welfare Committee. Alderperson Zgonc moved for the adoption of both of these ordinances on their first reading, seconded by Alderperson McFarland and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 9. No – 0.*

Ord. 15-6, to repeal Section 9.19 3.(a) & (b), to amend Section 9.19 3.(c), (d), (e) & to repeal Section 9.19 4.(d)(1) through 5, (e) & to create Section 9.19 4.(d)(1),(2),(3) and to amend Section 9.19 4.(f) and (g) and to repeal Section 9.19 5.(b) and to amend Section 9.19 5.(c) "False Alarms" of Chapter 9, "Licenses & Permits" was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Zgonc. From: The Public Safety & Welfare Committee.* Alderperson Zgonc moved for the adoption of this ordinance on its first reading, seconded by Alderperson Raether. Alderperson Zgonc moved to amend the ordinance to redefine the change from \$50.00 to \$90.00. This was seconded by Alderperson Maron and carried on a voice vote. The motion to adopt the ordinance on its first reading carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 9. No – 0.

RESOLUTIONS

Exhibit #8150, to authorize the purchase of a new Warning Siren from Federal Signal at a cost of \$19,513.29 to be charged to Account #05-52-31-70 was presented. *Sponsor: Ald. Smith, From: Finance Committee.* Alderperson Larsen moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Maron and carried on a roll call vote. Yes – 9. No – 0.

Exhibit #8151, to authorize the Determining Necessity for Acquisition of Parkland Property situated at 1500 S. Third Street was presented. *Sponsor: Ald. Tiet. From: Park, Recreation & Forestry Commission.* Alderperson Tietz moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Raether. Alderperson Tietz then moved to amend the resolution in the first paragraph, to substitute "northeast" for the word "southwest". This was seconded by Alderperson Raether and carried on a voice vote. The motion to adopt this resolution carried on a voice vote.

Exhibit #8152, to authorize the Council to enter into an agreement for the Baker Rullman Railroad Spur Upgrade Project with Railworks of Lakeville, MN for \$258,555.00 was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Smith. From: Finance Committee.* Alderperson Romlein moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Tietz and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 9. No – 0.

Exhibit #8153, to authorize the submission of the 2014 Annual Storm Water Report under MS4 General Permit #WI-S050075-1 was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Berg. From: Public Works Commission.* Alderperson Berg moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson McFarland and carried on a voice vote.

Exhibit #8154, to Authorize a contract with Valley Sealcoat Inc. to install mat overlay on the south Brandt/Quirk Tennis Courts to be charged to Park Expansion and Improvement Account #05-58-11-20 in the amount of \$161,329.00 was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Berg. From: Public Works Commission.* Alderperson Tietz moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Larsen and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 9. No – 0.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Alderperson Raether moved to adjourn, seconded by Alderperson Romlein and carried on a voice vote, the time being 7:59 p.m.

Cindy Rupprecht

City Clerk/Treasurer

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(DISCLAIMER: These minutes are uncorrected and any corrections made thereto will be noted in the proceedings at which these minutes are approved.)