

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Mayor McFarland called the regular meeting of the City of Watertown Common Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 7, 2019, in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed the following members present: Ald. Mudler, Ruetten, Larsen, Holthaus, Raether, Schmid, Maron, and Kilps. Absent: Tortomasi. Also present: Police Chief Robert Kaminski, Fire Chief Kraig Biefeld, Engineer Jaynellen Holloway, Interim City Attorney Beachy, Zoning Administrator Jacob Maas and Clerk/Treasurer Elissa Friedl.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING

Mayor McFarland inquired if there were additions or corrections to the minutes of the meeting held Tuesday, April 16, 2019. There being none, the minutes were approved as presented.

COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT

Laurie Hoffmann, 1009 N. Second Street, spoke to call the subject of the Washington Hotel, 516 E. Main St. to the attention of the Common Council. She stated that in the last 12 months there have been 80+ incidents at this address. She suggested two options: 1) That the City take this property, declaring it a public nuisance. 2) Declare this property socially blighted and take action with the RDA.

Greg Davis, 1128 Bayberry Drive, was present to call the subject of property maintenance issues with Marquardt Village to the attention of the Common Council. Davis stated they are not seeding their lawn and weeds are in excess of legal height. Davis also noted that at one time Marquardt indicated they would raze Zinzendorf Hall to green space but now has heard they will reuse the building. Davis stated that the new road, which was to be used only for emergency vehicles is heavily travelled. Mr. Davis requested the City hold Marquardt accountable for their promises.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee, April 22, 2019. Minutes of April 8, 2019 meeting. Motion carried to approve the minutes. Closed Session per Wis. Stat. §19.85(1)(g) to deliberate and discuss the final settlement agreement with Otterstatter/BT Equipment, LLC regarding ongoing litigation. Motion carried to move into closed session. Reconvene to open session. Motion carried to reconvene to open session. In open session motion carried to approve this final settlement agreement. Closed session per Wis. Stat. §19.85(1)(e) to deliberate and discuss a land purchase at 213-215 W. Main Street for the Library Expansion Project. Motion carried to move into closed session. Reconvene to open session. Motion carried to reconvene to open session. In open session motion carried to recommend that the Common Council approve issuing a jurisdictional offer. Resolution authorizing option to purchase vacant land by Clasen Quality Chocolate, Inc., fka Clasen Quality Coatings, Inc. Motion carried to approve this option to purchase. A resolution will be presented. Resolution to continue health insurance with Wisconsin Public Employers' Health Insurance Program. Motion carried to approve continuing health insurance with WI Public Employers' Health Insurance Program. Additional street light on Gateway Drive near Airport Road. Motion was made to approve up to \$4,000.00 from the Contingent Account to install a light. Motion carried 4-1. Watertown Welcome Signs Project-2019. Motion carried to approve the brick work for the Welcome Signs at the last two entry points. Summer intern for Engineering Department. Motion carried to approve a budget amendment to allow hiring an additional summer intern. Summer intern update for Engineering Department. All three interns from last year are returning this year. Request to hire Public Health/Environmental Health Summer Intern Shay Fulton. Motion carried to approve the hire of summer intern Shay Fulton. Purchase of new garbage truck from RNOW,

West Allis, WI. Motion carried to approve this purchase with a budget amendment to cover the shortage from the budgeted amount. Recommendation to hire Todd McInnis for the position of Parks Class III. Motion carried to approve this hire. Report received and placed on file.

Plan Commission, April 22, 2019. Minutes of Site Plan Review of March 25 & April 8, 2019 meeting. Motion carried to approve the minutes. Minutes of Plan Commission of April 8, 2019. Motion carried to approve the minutes. Fence Variance request-505 Windstone Court. The property owner is proposing installing a 6' privacy fence. Motion carried to approve this fence variance with the condition that they maintain a 2 foot setback from right-of-way. Fence Variance request-1200 S. Ninth Street. The property owner is proposing installing a 5' chain link fence. Motion carried to approve this fence variance with the condition that they maintain a 2 foot setback from right-of-way. Public Hearing of April 16, 2019 and recommendation for Comprehensive Plan Amendment. Motion carried to allow this amendment to the Comprehensive Plan which would then allow for properties on Hiawatha and Oak Streets to be rezoned from General Business (GB) to General Industrial (GI). A resolution will be presented. Public Hearing of April 16, 2019 and recommendation for 111 and 211 Hiawatha Street and 907 Oak Street to be rezoned. Motion carried to approve this rezoning contingent on approval of the Comprehensive Plan Amendment. A resolution will be presented. Report received and placed on file.

Public Works Commission, April 16, 2019. Minutes of April 9, 2019. Motion carried to approve the minutes. CIPP Lining rebid results. Motion carried to approve the base bid and Alt. #1 to Michels Corp., Brownsville, WI in the amount of \$464,369. A resolution will be presented. Report received and placed on file.

Public Works Commission, April 23, 2019. Minutes of April 9, 2019. These minutes were previously approved at the April 16, 2019 meeting. Introduction to proposed Utility Accommodation Ordinance in regards to communications, electric, fluids, gasses, wireless communications and private utility – no action needed. Since this proposed ordinance is approximately fifty pages, this was an introduction and will come back in a month to discuss. Revised 2019 Sidewalk repair limits. Motion carried to approve the revised 2019 Sidewalk Repair limits due to a budget shortfall caused by a difference between estimated carryover vs. actual carryover in the Annual Sidewalk Repair Account. A resolution will be presented. 2019 Annual Streets update-no action needed. Engineer Holloway distributed an updated list and explained that change orders will be presented due to budget shortfall. Purchase of an EZ Screen Top Soil Screener from EZ Screen Argus Industrial Co., Pontiac, MI. Motion carried to approve this purchase with the funding being split between the Street Machine and Equipment Major Capital Account and the Park Capital Account. A resolution will be presented. Purchase of a Ball Diamond Groomer from ABI Attachments, Mishawaka, IN. Motion carried to approve this purchase as budgeted. A resolution will be presented. Purchase of a Wide Area Mower (WAM) and Hydraulic Broom from Reinder's, Sussex, WI. Motion carried to approve this purchase as budgeted and to list the current mower on the State Surplus Auction site. A resolution will be presented. Report received and placed on file.

COMMUNICATIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MAYOR

Mayor McFarland presented the following appointments: Board of Review, Stephen Simpson, 1st term; Police & Fire Commission, Misti Hawn, partial term; Plan Commission, Sherry Cira, 2nd term and Tony Arnett, 3rd term; Parks, Recreation & Forestry Commission, Brian Konz, 2nd term; Library Board, Patti Wetzel, partial term. Motion was made by Ald. Raether seconded by Ald. Maron to approve these appointments and carried by roll call vote: Yes-8; No-0.

Mayor McFarland presented the 2018 Health Department Annual Report.

Mayor McFarland read the 2019 EMS Week Proclamation.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Certified accounts in the of \$562,645.60 were presented for payment. Ald. Kilps moved to pay all certified accounts, seconded by Ald. Mudler and carried by roll call vote: Yes-7; No-0; Abstain-Ruetten. (Complete listing of accounts payable is open for public inspection in City Clerk/Treasurer's office.)

REPORTS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

The following reports were presented: Airport Commission-April 10, 2019; Branding Committee-April 4, 2019; Committee of the Whole-April 16, 2019; Licensing Board-May 1, 2019; Parks, Recreation & Forestry Commission-April 1, 2019; Payroll Summaries-April 10-23, 2019; Redevelopment Authority-April 15, 2019; Senior Center Advisory Board-April 17, 2019; Site Plan Review Committee-April 22, 2019. All reports accepted as presented.

LICENSES

The following made application for a Special Event Permit: Main Street Makeover Reveal, Wednesday, May 8, 2019, 8:15 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., Anthony's 511, 511 E. Main Street. Motion was made by Ald. Larsen seconded by Ald. Raether to approve this Special Event Permit and carried by voice vote.

ORDINANCES

Ord. #19-3, to adopt amendments to the 2009 City of Watertown Comprehensive Plan (with a positive recommendation) was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor McFarland. From: Plan Commission.* Ald. Larsen moved for adoption of this ordinance on its first reading, seconded by Ald. Raether and carried by roll call vote; Yes-7; No-0; Abstain-Schmid.

Ord. #19-4, to amend Chapter 550, changing the zoning for 111 and 211 Hiawatha Street and 907 Oak Street from General Business (GB) to General Industrial (GI) (with a positive recommendation) was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor McFarland. From: Plan Commission.* Ald. Kilps moved for adoption of this ordinance on its first reading, seconded by Ald. Raether and carried by roll call vote; Yes-8; No-0.

RESOLUTIONS

Res. Exh. #8803, authorizing the option to purchase vacant land by Clasen Quality Chocolate, Inc., fka Clasen Quality Coatings, Inc. was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor McFarland. From: Finance Committee.* Ald. Larsen moved for adoption of this resolution, seconded by Ald. Kilps and carried by roll call vote: Yes-7; No-0; Abstain-Schmid.

Res. Exh. #8804, approving a proposed Settlement Agreement to resolve legal disputes with Timothy Otterstatter and BT Equipment, LLC, arising from the Watertown Municipal Airport Improvement Project was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor McFarland. From: Finance Committee.* Ald. Kilps moved for adoption of this resolution, seconded by Ald. Larsen and carried by roll call vote; Yes-8; No-0.

Res. Exh. #8805, approving a proposed Jurisdictional Offer to acquire property at 213-215 W. Main Street owned by Dean Lenius for the Watertown Library Expansion Project was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor McFarland. From: Finance Committee.* Ald. Mudler moved for adoption of this resolution, seconded by Ald. Larsen and carried by roll call vote: Yes-8; No-0.

Res. Exh. #8806, to update the agreement for Wisconsin Public Employers' health Insurance Program was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor McFarland. From: Finance Committee.* Ald. Kilps moved for adoption of this resolution, seconded by Ald. Raether and carried by voice vote: Yes-8; No-0.

Res. Exh. #8807, authorizing an agreement with K&K Masonry, Watertown, WI, for the 2019 Watertown Welcome Sign Project was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor McFarland. From: Finance Committee.* Ald. Larsen moved for adoption of this resolution, seconded by Ald. Mudler and carried by roll call vote: Yes-8; No-0.

Res. Exh. #8808, authorizing a budget amendment to decrease Engineering Salaries Account and increase Engineering Part-time Salaries Account in the amount of \$7,300 for the hire of a summer intern in the Engineering Department was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor McFarland. From: Finance Committee.* Ald. Larsen moved for adoption of this resolution, seconded by Ald. Mudler and carried by roll call vote: Yes-8; No-0.

Res. Exh. #8809, authorizing a budget amendment to decrease the Contingent Fund and increase the Street Department New Street Lights Account by an amount not to exceed \$4,000 for an additional street light on Gateway Drive near Airport Road was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor McFarland. From: Finance Committee.* Ald. Raether moved for adoption of this resolution, seconded by Ald. Kilps and carried by roll call vote: Yes-8; No-0.

Res. Exh. #8810, authorizing a budget amendment to decrease the Solid Waste Supplies and Expense Account and increase the Solid Waste Capital Account by \$625 and allow for the purchase of a new garbage truck from RNOW, West Allis, WI was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor McFarland. From: Finance Committee.* Ald. Larsen moved for adoption of this resolution, seconded by Ald. Mudler and carried by roll call vote; Yes-8; No-0.

Res. Exh. #8811, approving the revised 2019 Sidewalk Repair Program was presented. *Sponsor: Ald. Maron. From: Public Works Commission.* Ald. Maron moved for adoption of this resolution, seconded by Ald. Raether and carried by roll call vote; Yes-8; No-0.

Res. Exh. #8812, approving the purchase of an EZ Screen Top Soil Screener from EZ Screen Argus Industrial Co., Pontiac, MI was presented. *Sponsor: Ald. Maron. From: Public Works Commission.* Ald. Maron moved for adoption of this resolution, seconded by Ald. Larsen and carried by roll call vote; Yes-8; No-0.

Res. Exh. #8813, approving the purchase of a Ball Diamond Groomer from ABI Attachments, Mishawaka, IN was presented. *Sponsor: Ald. Maron. From: Public Works Commission.* Ald. Mudler moved for adoption of this resolution, seconded by Ald. Ruetten and carried by roll call vote; Yes-8; No-0.

Res. Exh. #8814, approving Change Order No. 1, 2019 Pavement marking Project with Century Fence was presented. *Sponsor: Ald. Maron. From: Public Works Commission.* Ald. Mudler moved for adoption of this resolution, seconded by Ald. Raether and carried by roll call vote; Yes-8; No-0.

Res. Exh. #8815, approving Change Order No. 1, 2019 Sidewalk, Curb & Gutter Project with Rennhack Construction was presented. *Sponsor: Ald. Maron. From: Public Works Commission.* Ald. Larsen moved for adoption of this resolution, seconded by Ald. Mudler and carried by roll call vote; Yes-8; No-0.

Res. Exh. #8816, approving Change Order No. 1, 2019 Bituminous Surfacing Project with Stark Pavement was presented. *Sponsor: Ald. Maron. From: Public Works Commission.* Ald. Maron moved for adoption of this resolution, seconded by Ald. Kilps and carried by roll call vote; Yes-8; No-0.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Ald. Kilps moved to adjourn, seconded by Ald. Larsen and carried by voice vote at 7:25 p.m.

Elissa Friedl, Clerk/Treasurer

(Complete video of Council Proceedings on DVD.)

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