

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Mayor David called the regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Watertown to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2014, in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed the following members present: Alderpersons McFarland, Smith, Berg, Kuehl, Zgonc, Coughlin, Tietz, Stocks and Romlein. (9) Absent: None (0). Also present were Fire Chief Greg Michalek, Police Chief Tim Roets, City Attorney Will Gruber, City Engineer Jaynellen Holloway and City Clerk/Treasurer Cindy Rupprecht.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING

Mayor David inquired if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the meeting held Tuesday, January 7, 2014. There being no additions or corrections, the minutes were approved as published.

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT

Bill Maron, 701 Crestview Drive was present to ask the Council to eliminate sidewalk from the Milford Street Project. Norm Wheeler, 208 Riverlawn Avenue, Treasurer for Faith Lutheran Church, was also present to ask for the elimination of sidewalk from Milford Street. Susan Dascenzo, Watertown Chamber of Commerce, was present to present the Annual Report of the Chamber Activity and to remind the Council of the Chamber event being held on February 27, 2014. Susan also reminded the members of the Rotary Brunch being held on February 16, 2014, with the proceeds going to the Chamberland area at Riverside Park. Judy Draeger, 534 Grey Fox Run, was present to ask for the elimination of sidewalk on the Milford Street Project, as there is minimal foot traffic. Mark Williams, part-time business manager of Calvary Baptist Church, 792 Milford Street, asked the Council to eliminate the sidewalk on the Milford Street Project, as being unnecessary. Scott Maron, 672 Milford Street, was also opposed to the sidewalk installation. Don Coleman, 636 Milford Street, spoke in opposition of the sidewalk. Steve Meyers, 819 Oakwood Lane was present to ask the Council to put sidewalk in from the St. Bernard's Cemetery to, at least, the subdivision entrance. Steve Mertins, 682 Milford Street, spoke in opposition of the sidewalk. Jerry Heiman, 672 Milford Street, spoke in opposition of the sidewalk, stating that the bike path seems to work fine for walking. Mike Klaus, 207 Riverlawn Avenue, was present to speak in favor of sidewalks, in general, everywhere in the city.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following reports were presented and contained the following items:

FINANCE COMMITTEE, January 13, 2014. 1. Preliminary borrowing for Capital Projects. Mayor David presented the timeline to the Finance Committee regarding the borrowing for 2014. There will be more information coming in the next two weeks. 2. Park & Recreation Director retirement. The Mayor informed the Committee that Tom Checkai would be retiring after 36 years. Mayor David wanted to get a feeling regarding some restructuring in the Park & Recreation Department, to see if there would be any interest in looking for some efficiencies. The Mayor will do some research and come up with some plans to make a future decision. 3. Zoning Administrator/Building Inspector. Joe Heimsch is retiring after 22 years. City Engineer Holloway is proposing a Zoning Administrator/Building Inspector as a position to replace Joe. The Finance Committee instructed her to go ahead to seek out a Zoning Administrator/Building Inspector. 4. Closed Session per Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(c) to discuss performance evaluations and personnel issues. The report was received and placed on file.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION, January 13, 2014. 1. Review preliminary resolution for Milford Street curb & gutter & sidewalk. Motion was made and seconded to proceed with the resolution for Milford Street as presented, which

includes assessing the property owners for both curb & gutter & sidewalk. 2. Review patrol truck quotes. A resolution will be presented awarding the bid to a combination of Lakeside International, Burke Truck & Equipment and Casper's Truck & Equipment and Monroe Truck & Equipment for a total of \$173,955.00. 3. Review Wheel Loader quotes. A resolution will be presented awarding the bid to Brooks Tractor for \$84,490.00. 4. Robotic Total Station bid. A resolution will be presented to award the bid to Seiler Instruments for \$40,785.00. The directive from Mayor David regarding the proposal for the GIS update and the City's IT Structure was then reviewed by the Commission. 5. Discuss proposals for GIS update. Motion was to approve the project as presented in the RFP except that the portion that specifies the location of the GIS software will be determined by outcome of discussions in the future. 6. Comprehensive Plan Chapter 11. This item will be moved to the next meeting and added, along with Chapter 12. 7. Update on Black Dot Contract Termination. Mayor David will direct that the original lease be provided for review for further evaluation on the issue. 8. Attachments to City Hall tower. City Engineer Holloway presented a report to the Commission regarding issues relating to the tower. The present plan is to hold all tower space arrangements until the Evans Report of Finding is presented. 9. City of Watertown IT Infrastructure Discussion. The motion was to table this item in compliance with the directive that Mayor David made in meeting note 1. The report was received and placed on file.

COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor David presented the list of candidates for Alderpersons in Districts 2, 4, 6 and 8 for the Spring 2014 Election.

Mayor David then presented the Financing Timetable for the 2014 borrowing.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Certified accounts in the amount of \$600,764.12 were presented for payment. Alderperson Romlein moved to pay all certified accounts, seconded by Alderperson Stocks and carried on a roll call vote: Yes-9. No-0. with Alderperson Stocks abstaining from the Miriam Stocks invoice. (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: Community Development Authority – December 19, 2013. Historic Preservation & Downtown Design Commission – November 20, 2013. Library Board of Trustees – December 12, 2013. Licensing Board – January 15, 2014. Payroll Summaries –December 25 – December 31, 2013 & January 1 – January 7, 2014. Plan Commission – January 13, 2014. Police & Fire Commission – January 13, 2014. All reports were accepted as printed.

LICENSES

The following persons have applied for beverage operator licenses for the year ending June 30, 2014: Jasmine Brantmeyer, 605 Sommers Ct, Wttn, WI 53098; Trisha Crews, W1299 Marietta Ave, Ixonia, WI 53036; John K. Krause, 201 N. Water St, #308, Wttn, WI 53094; Annette J. Lewis, 311 Elizabeth St, Wttn, WI 53098; Eric M. Polinsky, 204 North Ave, Wttn, WI 53098; Ashley V. Ponyicsanyi, N6966 Neupert Rd, Lake Mills, WI; Jennifer Lynn Rhodes, 1306 Prospect St, Wttn, WI 53098; Corey C. Schultz, 408 Terry Lane, Wttn, WI 53094; Luke A. Thompson, 333 Lauren Ln, Wttn, WI 53094; Donna Tuggle, 556 Milford St, Wttn, WI 53094; Melissa Whaling, 106 Lynn St, Wttn, WI 53098. The following applied for a Class "B" Malt & "Class C" Wine license: Watertown Regional Medical Center, dba Harvest Market, Justin Johnson, Agent, 125 Hospital Drive. The following applied for a "Class B" Malt & Liquor license, Splash Martini Bar, LLC, dba R.J.'s, Richard Reinert, Agent, (fka Buzz Bar), 110/112 S. Third Street. Agent Change: Aldi's, 1520, S. Church Street, agent change to Bradley D. Anderson. Alderperson Kuehl moved for the approval of the licenses, seconded by Alderperson Coughlin and carried on a voice vote.

ORDINANCES

ORD. #14-1, to repeal and recreate Section 18.095(10), Conditional Use Review & Approval Procedures of the Zoning Code. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: Plan Commission.* Alderperson Berg moved for the adoption of this ordinance on its second reading, seconded by Alderperson Zgonc and carried on a roll call vote. Yes – 9. No – 0.

Motion was made to take Ordinances #14-2, #14-3, #14-4 and #14-5 together.

ORD. #14-2, to amend Section 18.307, Non Conforming Use/Blanket Conforming Use. *Sponsor Mayor David. From: Plan Commission.*

ORD. #14-3, to amend Section 18.408, Non Conforming Use/Blanket Conforming Use. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: Plan Commission.*

ORD. #14-4, to amend Section 18.207, Non Conforming Use/Blanket Conforming Use. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: Plan Commission.*

ORD. #14-5, to amend Section 18.407, Non Conforming Use/Blanket Conforming Use. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: Plan Commission.* Alderperson Berg moved for the adoption of these 4 ordinances on their first reading, seconded by Alderperson Tietz and carried on a roll call vote. Yes – 9. No – 0.

RESOLUTIONS

PRELIMINARY RES. #7988, authorizing the installation of curb & gutter on Milford Street, from Grey Fox Run to Commerce Drive, approximately 2,700 feet on the west side and the installation of sidewalk on the west side only of Milford Street from the south property line of St. Bernard's Cemetery to Commerce Drive, approximately 5,400 feet, was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Romlein. From: The Public Works Commission.* Alderperson Romlein moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Stocks. Alderperson Smith moved to amend the resolution with the proposed amended resolution copies he left on all Alderperson's desks. This was seconded by Alderperson Tietz. There is one correction in his proposed amendment, which would change the word square foot to lineal foot and to add the words "The 2014 Schedule of Individual Assessments is incorporated by reference". This proposed amendment eliminates the installation of sidewalk completely. After considerable discussion on the proposed amended resolution, the motion to approve it failed on the following roll call vote. Yes – Smith, Berg, Kuehl and Tietz (4). No – McFarland, Zgonc, Coughlin, Stocks and Romlein (5). Alderperson Romlein then moved to make a correction to the original preliminary resolution to correct the error of \$9.50 per "square" foot to \$9.50 per "lineal" foot. This was seconded by Alderperson Kuehl and carried on a voice vote. Alderperson Smith then moved to amend the original resolution to add the sentence "The 2014 Schedule of Individual Assessments is incorporated by Reference" to the end of the last paragraph. This is the same sentence that he had proposed in his proposed amended preliminary resolution. This motion was seconded by Alderperson Berg and carried on a voice vote. Alderperson Smith then moved to amend the schedule of assessments just added to the resolution for the amount of Calvary Baptist Church, for sidewalk, from 590 feet to approximately 140 feet. This motion carried on a roll call vote. Yes – McFarland, Smith, Berg, Kuehl, Zgonc (5). No – Coughlin, Tietz, Stocks, Romlein (4). Alderperson Stocks then moved to amend the resolution to only place sidewalk beginning from the south portion of St. Bernard's Cemetery to the north side of South Street, with the City paying 50% of the cost. This was seconded by Alderperson Berg and carried on a roll call vote. Yes – Smith, Berg, Zgonc, Tietz and Stocks (5). No – McFarland, Kuehl, Coughlin & Romlein (4). Alderperson Smith then moved to zero out or basically exempt those remaining properties from sidewalk assessment, pointing out that the savings by not installing sidewalk on City property allowed funds to pay for this portion of sidewalk. This was seconded by Alderperson Berg and carried on a roll call vote. Yes – Smith, Berg, Kuehl, Zgonc, Tietz (5). No – McFarland, Coughlin, Stocks & Romlein (4). The original motion to

adopt the resolution as amended, which now is to install sidewalk from the south portion of St. Bernard's Cemetery to the north edge of South Street, with the City completely paying for the sidewalk, was approved on the following roll call vote: Yes – Smith, Berg, Kuehl, Zgonc, Tietz, Stocks, Romlein (7). No – McFarland and Coughlin (2).

RES. #7989, to purchase a 2014 4-Wheel Drive Wheel Loader for the Street Department from Brooks Tractor of Sun Prairie for \$84,490.00 to be charged to Storm Sewer Utility Account #16-58-16-60 was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Romlein. From: Public Works Commission.* Alderperson Romlein moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Zgonc and carried on a roll call vote. Yes – 9. No – 0.

RES. #7990, to purchase a tandem axle truck and related equipment for the Street Department from Lakeside International, Burke Truck & Equipment, Casper's Truck Equipment and Monroe Truck & Equipment for a total of \$172,698.00, to be charged to Street Department Capital Outlay Account #05-54-11-70 was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Romlein. From: Public Works Commission.* Alderperson Coughlin moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Berg and carried on a roll call vote. Yes – 9. No – 0.

RES. #7991, to purchase an ambulance from Jefferson Fire & Safety of Middleton for \$193,498.40 to be charged to Fire Department Capital Outlay Account #05-52-31-70 was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: Finance Committee.* Alderperson Tietz moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Kuehl and carried on a roll call vote. Yes – 9. No – 0.

RES. #7992, for the 2014 EMS Protection & Fire Agreement with the towns of Emmet, Shields, Milford and Watertown was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor David.* Alderperson Tietz moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Coughlin and carried on a voice vote.

RES. #7993, to authorize the submission of an application for a DNR grant for lower dam repairs with an estimated cost of \$102,000.00, but not to exceed \$150,000.00 without further approval, was presented. *Sponsor: Ald. Romlein. From: Public Works Commission.* Alderperson Romlein moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson McFarland and carried on a roll call vote. Yes – 9. No – 0.

RES. #7994, to purchase a Robotic Trimble Total Station from Seiler Instruments for a total of \$40,785.00 to be charged to the following accounts: Engineering Capital Outlay Account #05-54-10-70 (\$25,000.00), Engineering Capital Outlay #01-54-10-70 (\$2,186.00), Storm Water Capital Account #16-58-16-60 (\$4,533.00), Water Miscellaneous General Account #03-99-32-18 (\$4,533.00), Wastewater Outside Services #02-85-00-20 (\$4,533.00) was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Romlein. From: Public Works Commission.* Alderperson Romlein moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Coughlin and carried on a roll call vote. Yes – 9. No – 0.

RES. #7995, to enter into a contract with Symbiont for ERSI GIS System and Accela Interface for a total of \$118,632.00 to be charged equally to Wastewater Capital Outlay Account #02-97-30-00, Water Capital Account #03-99-99-99, and Stormwater Account #16-58-16-20 was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Romlein. From: Public Works Commission.* Alderperson Romlein moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Zgonc and carried on a roll call vote. Yes – 9. No – 0.

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT

Nate Salas, 821 Pheasant Run, representing the Chamber and Watertown Economic Development Organization thanked the Alderpersons for attending their Economic Development 101 session held last week. Bill Maron, 701 Crestview Drive, thanked the Council for their diligence and workable compromise regarding the sidewalk installation on Milford Street.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Alderperson Berg moved to adjourn, seconded by Alderperson Coughlin and carried on a voice vote. The time being 9:11 p.m.

Cindy Rupprecht
City Clerk/Treasurer
CDR/dn

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