

## 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, August 5, 2014, in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

### ROLL CALL

Roll call showed the following members present: Alderpersons McFarland, Smith, Berg, Larsen, Zgonc, Coughlin, Tietz, Maron 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, July 15, 2014. There being no corrections, the minutes were approved as published.

### COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT

Kim Erdmann, Executive Director of the Watertown Economic Development Corporation, 519 E. Main Street, was present to give the Council an update on various Economic Development news. Recently Diversey Care will be moving approximately 300 employees to Sturtevant. This will affect approximately 30 here in Watertown. He also pointed out that Cargill will close its doors in Milwaukee, with another loss of 600 jobs. On the positive side Kim presented information about how the business incubator works and discussed the Innovations and Entrepreneurs Event that was held on July 24, 2014. Kim also pointed out that we are in need of 30-50 acres of continuous industrial land. They have been working on a project with an Illinois firm for two years. Fischer Barton also was before the Site Plan Review last month and are looking to redevelop their S. Water/Frederick Street location in the future.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee, July 21, 2014. 1. Consider Residency Waiver Request from Police Officer Michelle Leffler. The Police Union Contract currently has a 25 mile limit and Michelle is requesting to move towards the east side of Milwaukee, which would be approximately 50 miles. After discussion, a motion was made by Alderperson Smith to deny this request and suggest this be discussed through union negotiations. This was seconded by Alderperson Tietz. The vote to deny the request passed 3 to 1. 2. Update on Redevelopment/Renewal Project for Chamberland at Riverside Park. Chamberland is in need of repair, updating, staining and new paint at an approximate cost of \$47,000. There is currently a fund raising effort being made to accomplish this. Alderperson Tietz is suggesting we take funds from two accounts currently utilized by Park & Rec. and make a donation of \$8,000.00 to the project. A resolution will be presented to do the transfer of money and make the donation. 3. Discuss the sale of scrap items and asbestos issues at the building at 209-211 W. Main Street purchased by the Library. A motion was made and seconded to enter into an agreement with AMI Services to do some asbestos inspection. This passed unanimously. A motion was then made and seconded to have the Street Department remove any of the scrap from the building when it fits into their schedule. 4. Closed Session per Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(c) to discuss performance evaluations. Following the closed session discussion, a motion was made and seconded to reconvene to open session, where a motion was made to approve the performance evaluations as presented. This was seconded and passed unanimously. The report was received and placed on file.

### OLD BUSINESS

Senior Housing Development, Steve Mark. Alderperson Berg wanted to point out that recently the Sewer Impact Fee was placed on a moratorium. Steve Mark has proceeded with developing two more eight family units on

Welsh Road, which will be designated as Senior Housing. Alderperson Berg pointed out that this was another important construction initiative here in Watertown and the fact that we lifted the Sewer Moratorium contributed to his additional building permit plans.

### **COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE MAYOR**

Mayor David presented a communication from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services awarding Watertown with a Water Fluoridation Quality Award from the U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Fire Chief Michalek then presented Life Saving Award Medals to Firefighter/Paramedic Tanya Reynen and Firefighter/EMT-B Greg Wellach for an incident which occurred at River Bend Resort on June 21, 2014. Firefighter/Paramedic Scott Krielkamp also will receive the reward, however; he had to leave due to an alarm.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Health Officer Carol Quest was present and highlighted her Annual Report which the Council received several months ago. Carol reviewed the different programs and particularly discussed the 2013 Ecoli outbreak, which was pretty significant in the nation. She also discussed some of the efforts going on between Dodge and Jefferson Counties, in particular, the Five Year New Community Health Assessment. The goal will be to improve physical activities. The Board is also doing Strategic Planning. They are setting a priority list as to how they communicate their mission and get the word out as to all of the different programs that are offered. They are looking at social media as one of their contacts, particularly Facebook and Twitter. There were changes in 2013 regarding the restriction of immunizations to those persons that had insurance. The Health Department is no longer able to provide immunizations to those individuals. Carol discussed their Home Visitation Program. In 2013 they visited 45 families. A lot of these are part of their prenatal care and are considered high risk. Also, in 2013, an additional program, Seal-A-Smile was started, to provide dental sealants to particular families and along with a Car Seat Program. Carol discusses some Emergency Preparedness Events that happened in Madison and finally, brought the Committee up to date, that they still are a major collection point for Sharps.

### **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

Certified accounts in the amount of \$804,635.87 were presented for payment. Alderperson Romlein moved to pay all certified accounts, seconded by Alderperson Maron and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 9. No – 0.. (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: Family Center Board of Directors – July 22, 2014. Family Center Finance Meeting – July 16, 2014. Park, Recreation & Forestry Commission – July 7, 2014. Payroll Summaries – July 9 – July 22, 2014. Plan Commission – July 14 & July 28, 2014. Police & Fire Commission – July 14, 2014. Site Plan Review – July 14 & July 28, 2014. All reports were accepted as printed.

### **LICENSES**

It was moved by Alderperson Smith, seconded by Alderperson Tietz to recommend the granting of a Secondhand Article & Secondhand Jewelry Dealer license to Trader Tom's, 101 E. Main St., which carried on a voice vote.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

**Exhibit #8068**, to transfer \$8,338.67 from the Jack & Jill Preschool Account #01-32-11-25 to the Chamberland Improvement Account #05-58-11-04 and to authorize a donation in the amount of \$8,000.00 to the Redevelopment/Renewal Project for the Chamberland Playground from Account #05-58-11-04 was presented. *Sponsor:*

*Alderson Tietz. From: The Park, Recreation & Forestry Commission. Alderson Tietz moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderson Coughlin and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 9. No – none.*

**Exhibit #8069**, to enter into a Cooperative Boundary Adjustment Agreement with the Town of Emmet.

*Sponsor: Mayor David. From: The Plan Commission. Alderson Romlein moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderson Tietz and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 9. No – none.*

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Alderson Coughlin moved to adjourn, seconded by Alderson Maron and carried on a voice vote. The time being 7:47 p.m.

Cynthia D. Rupprecht

City Clerk/Treasurer

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(Complete video of Council Proceedings on DVD.)

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