

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Mayor John David called the regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Watertown to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 19, 2016, 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: None. 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

Mayor David inquired if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the meeting held Tuesday, January 5, 2016. There being none, the minutes were approved as presented.

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT

Barry Baumann, 1303 S. Ninth Street, was present to discuss dip netting. He explained that concrete is made out of water, sand and stone and that the pop-outs that are being blamed from the rigging is actually the result of too large or oversized stones being near the surface of the concrete. He stated that he walked the bridge and found that there were 56 pop-outs on the top of both sides of the bridge. Many of these pop-outs are where there could not have been rigging for dip netting. He also stated that the sealer on the concrete would eliminate stains. He urged the Council to take away the hardware for dip netting, if that was the issue, and to continue to work out a compromise to keep dip netting in place.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee, January 11, 2016. 1. 2016 Borrowing and Refinancing discussion with R.W. Baird. The City will be borrowing \$2.6 million for Capital Projects for 2016. This will be on a 10 year repayment schedule. The Council will also consider refinancing approximately \$7.4 million of prior General Obligation Bonds. This will result in a savings of approximately \$479,082.00 in today's dollars. Motion was made and seconded to approve the borrowing and refinancing. A resolution will be presented. 2. Review & approve purchase of new fire engine. Fire Chief Michalek was present to explain that 10 bids were received that ranged from \$672,660.00 to \$554,564.00. The low bidder was Marion Truck Body, which is a Wisconsin based manufacturer and is the vehicle that is being recommended. Citizen Dennis VandenHuevel was present to address color scheme. Mr. VandenHuevel prefers vehicles to be red and white and feels the Committee should set a standard. After considerable discussion, a motion was made and seconded to approve the purchase of the fire engine from Marion Truck Body and to allow the Chief and his Department to decide on the color scheme. Motion passed unanimously. A resolution will be presented. 3. Review & approve Telephone System bids. David Wilson from TeleCom Fitness was present to go over the 7 proposals that were received for a new city-wide phone system. They were rated and evaluated with the top three vendors then being brought in to demonstrate their product. After demonstration and final price adjustments, TeleCom Fitness is recommending the Avaya System from CC&N, including maintenance for years two to five. Motion was made and seconded to recommend this to the Council. A resolution will be presented. 4. Discuss proposed TIF #7. Mayor David presented information regarding the formation of a new TIF on the south side. The Mayor is recommending we support Glory Global Solutions with an 85% contribution over a 20 year period. Motion was made and seconded to support this concept. Motion passed unanimously. 5. Discuss & approve Tourism Ordinance. Due to recent State Law changes the City needs to set up a Tourism Commission. This Commission will be responsible for spending 70% of the room tax dollars. An ordinance will be presented to the Council.

6. Review & approve Laserfiche upgrade quote. Clerk/Treasurer Rupprecht was present to present the upgrade proposal. This will involve a new scanner in the Clerk's office. The upgrade and scanner has a cost of \$6,448.80. Engineering and Building, Safety & Zoning will also access the database with 5 licenses at a cost of \$660.00 each, for a total of \$3,300.00. The City Attorney's office will also purchase a license for \$660.00. Motion was made and seconded to approve this upgrade which passed unanimously. 7. Approve adjusting Crossing Guard Salary according to 2016 Budget. Rates in the Budget were \$10.50 per hour, however; the Payroll Resolution went to Council at \$10.03 per hour. Motion was made and seconded to adjust the rate. Motion passed unanimously. 8. Review & approve moving forward with TAP Grant for N. 4th Street Bicycle Pedestrian Path Design & Construction. The City has an opportunity to apply for a grant through the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grant. These projects facilitate off-road pedestrian and bicycle paths. A Pedestrian/Bicycle Path along N. 4th Street into the City would cost approximately \$1.3 million. Under this program the City's share would be \$274,783.00. Motion was made and seconded to apply for this grant. A resolution will be presented. 9. Closed Session per Wis. Stat. §19.85(1)(c) to discuss performance evaluations. Motion was made and seconded to go into closed session and carried on a roll call vote. 10. Reconvene to open session. Motion was made to reconvene to open session and passed unanimously on a roll call vote. In open session, a motion was made and seconded to approve the Department Head evaluations. 11. Closed Session per Wis. Stat. §19.85(1)(e) to discuss land purchase. Motion was made and seconded to go into closed session and carried on a roll call vote. The report was received and placed on file.

Public Works Commission, January 12, 2016. 1. MSA to present the Sanitary Siphon & Water Main Improvements for 2nd Street Bridge Project. The bridge is slated for replacement in 2017, but utilities need to be installed in 2016. A new 8" water main and sanitary sewer siphon will be installed. Project bidding is expected in early March with award mid-March. Right-of-Way acquisitions should be completed by July of 2016 with the construction phase occurring between August and October of 2016. Motion was made and seconded to approve the project plans as presented by MSA, which passed unanimously. 2. Review & approve moving forward with TAP Grant for N. 4th Street Bicycle/Pedestrian Path Design & Construction. Ayres & Associates was hired to do a study of two options for Bicycle and Pedestrian Paths using N. 4th Street as a starting point. This grant would provide 80% funding, with applications being due by January 29, 2016. The City's share of the cost would be \$274,783.00 and could be incurred and exercised any time up to 2023, with the project starting sometime in 2019, if we are chosen. This has been approved by the Finance Committee. Motion was made and seconded to move forward with the grant application. Motion passed unanimously. 3. Infill Sidewalk Update. Civil Engineer Andrew Beyer handed out information on criteria for the installation of sidewalk work currently not in place. Motion was made and seconded to approve this criteria. Discussion then centered around the funding of the sidewalk installation using these criteria and point values, as there is currently no policy in place for installing sidewalk, other than 100% property owner assessment. This has been a deterrent for owners wanting sidewalk. Motion was made and seconded to have Engineering put together a draft resolution for Public Works review one last time before going to Council, including the criteria that the funding would be 1/3 City, 2/3 homeowner. This passed with Alderperson Romlein being opposed. 4. Discuss & approve replacement of polymer pump at Wastewater Department. Water Systems Manager Freber was present to ask support for the purchase of a new pump. Motion was made and seconded to recommend the purchase of a Netzsch pump from LW Allen Company for \$5,905.00. This was seconded and passed unanimously. 5. 2015 Write-offs from Water Department. Water Systems Manager Freber presented the accounts listed and deemed uncollectible. Motion was made and seconded to approve the write-off, which passed unanimously. 6. Review & approve Gravel Crushing Contract. Street Superintendent Schultz presented

the three quotes received. They were for a three year term for crushing 20,000 ton of virgin rock at our quarry. Motion was made and seconded to recommend a resolution to the Council for Frank Bros. out of Janesville. The report was received and placed on file.

Public Safety & Welfare Committee, January 6, 2016. 1. Request for School Bus Signs on Milford and West Street. After discussion, a motion was made and seconded to install bus signs in both direction on Milford & West Streets at the locations suggested by the transportation company. 2. Review Handicap stall on S. Water Street by the Globe Apartments. The committee previously voted to install a handicap stall in front of the Globe Apartments, however; it has been discovered with ADA requirements, we cannot install ramp at this location. Staff will contact the property manager at the apartments to notify them of the decision and why. 3. Request for 2 sided parking on S. Water Street between Milwaukee and Lafayette Streets. Engineer Holloway explained that in order to have two sided parking, the State guidelines require a 36' wide road and S. Water Street is only 33' wide in this area. While other streets in the area that are just as narrow and have two-sided parking, after a lengthy discussion the Committee felt it was safer to have only one sided parking. Engineering will research to see if it is possible to allow two parking spots just north of the apartments. 4. Request for Hidden Driveway sign on Concord Avenue. A request has been received for a Hidden Driveway sign near the duplex group home owned by Bethesda. Debbi Groeler, Bethesda Transportation Coordinator, explained that once buses enter the property there is no place to turn around, so they must back up into oncoming traffic. The current speed limit on Concord Avenue as it comes into the City has a 20 mph step down from 45 mph to 25 mph. Engineer Holloway is suggesting we coordinate with Jefferson County for a 10 mph step down zone, similar to that used on Summit Avenue, southeast of E. Water Street. Engineering will be in contact with Jefferson County to discuss implementing this on Cty. Hwy. E/Concord Avenue. 5. Dip Netting review sent back to Council. After a very lengthy discussion on this topic, considering Park & Rec.'s recommendation to disallow dip netting, and the issues regarding damage to the Milwaukee Street Bridge, the Committee voted to support the recommendation to disallow dip netting from this bridge and to recommend this come back to the Common Council for its second reading. 6. Request to review blocked vision at the intersection of Lafayette and Montgomery Streets. This was laid over to the next meeting so those people involved would be able to attend to get their ideas and concerns. 7. Restrict parking on Frederick Street for a fire lane. A fire lane has been established, however; there has been people parking in the lane. The Committee recommends having the Street Department install no parking signs in this area. The report was received and placed on file.

COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MAYOR

Susan Dascenzo, representing the Watertown Chamber of Commerce, informed the Council that they are busy collecting information on events. She handed out their 2016 Calendar of Events. They are also busy planning their annual Chamber event, which will be held February 18, 2016 at Windwood Country Club. Last month Leadership Watertown learned about law enforcement. Next month they will be focusing on education. Susan then introduced Melissa Lampe as the new Main Street Program Director. Melissa encouraged the members to let her know of anything that they would be interested in seeing happen in the downtown area.

Rebecca Mankins, Library Board Trustee, was present to update the Council regarding the new plans presented by Rick McCarthy, of Studio GC. Approximately 90 people attended a meeting this week with the new drawings. Those in attendance were pleased with the historical keeping of the Carnegie look of the building. These drawings will be discussed again at the Library Board on February 11, 2016 and brought back with recommendations to the Council in March.

Mayor David also presented the 2015 Yearly Construction Totals Report, candidates for the 2016 Spring Election to be held on April 5, 2016, and the 2015 Fire Department Alarm Statistics.

Fire Chief Greg Michalek then presented Life Saving Awards to crews of Rescue 3 and Engine 1 for their response to a 55 year old female patient on December 28, 2015. After two minutes of CPR, a pulse returned to the patient. Those receiving Life Saving Awards at the meeting were Assistant Chief Butzine and Fire Fighter/EMT Brent Kurtz. Not in attendance, but also receiving awards were Fire Fighter/Paramedic Pieper and Fire Fighter/Paramedic Reynan and Lieutenant Fohr.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Certified accounts in the amount of \$645,480.50 were presented for payment. Alderperson Romlein moved to pay all certified accounts, seconded by Alderperson Larsen 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 – July 8, 2015, August 12, 2015, October 14, 2015, November 11, 2015 & December 9, 2015. Board of Health – November 12, 2015. Community Development Authority – December 17, 2015. Historic Preservation & Downtown Development Commission – December 16, 2015. Licensing Board – January 13, 2016. Payroll Summaries – December 23 – 31, 2015 & January 1 – 5, 2016. Plan Commission – January 11, 2016. Police & Fire Commission – January 11, 2016. Site Plan Review Committee – January 11, 2016. All reports were accepted as printed.

LICENSES

The following have made applications for Beverage Operator Licenses for year ending June 30, 2016: Monica L. Edwards, N1087 Cty. Rd. L, #1, Watertown, WI; Kiersten M. Heinzl, 1153 Boughton St., #21E, Watertown, WI; Annie E. Krenn, 410 ½ N. Church St., Watertown, WI; Donna M. Lischka, 717 Bittersweet Ln., Watertown, WI; Gary J. McCarthy, 1418 S. 9th St., Watertown, WI; Kristy L. Metcalf, 1120 Clement St., Watertown, WI; Jessica L. Patch, W1166 Fieldcross Ct., Ixonia, WI; Rosanne M. Peplin, N64W26633 Hillcrest Cir., Sussex, WI; Karen A. Peters, N91W23673 Monticello Dr., Colgate, WI; Frederick W. Pugh, N8535 Hustisford Rd., Watertown, WI; Carolina Quezada, 1153 Boughton St., #11C, Watertown, WI; Kody G. Schlesner, 506 Jones St., Watertown, WI; Lisa A. Walsh, 231 Lounsbury St., Watertown, WI; Deidre A. Wegner, 101 Scot St., Watertown, WI; Brenna L. Zuleger, 600 Hunter Oaks Blvd., Watertown, WI. Alderperson Tietz moved to recommend the granting of the Beverage Operator Licenses listed on Exhibit A, seconded by Alderperson Raether and carried on a voice vote.

The following application was presented for a "Class B" Malt & Liquor license:, KPP, LLC – dba Bigg's Bar, 1217 River Dr., Karah N. Pugh, Agent. Alderperson Maron moved for the granting of this license, seconded by Alderperson Tietz and carried on a voice vote.

ORDINANCES

Ord. #15-4, to amend Section 8.085, Dip Netting from Bridges Prohibited and to Repeal Chapter 8, Bond Schedule, Page 1, regarding dip netting was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Zgonc. From: The Public Safety & Welfare Committee.* Alderperson Zgonc moved for the adoption of this ordinance on its second reading, seconded by Alderperson Raether. After discussion regarding the merits of dip netting, this ordinance to prohibit it passed on the following roll call vote: Yes – McFarland, Smith, Zgonc, Raether and Tietz (5). No – Berg, Larsen, Maron and Romlein (4).

Ord. #16-1, to amend various subsections within Chapter 26 of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Section of the City Code was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Berg. From: The Public Works Commission.* Alderperson Berg moved for the adoption of this resolution on its second reading, seconded by Alderperson Raether and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 9. No - none.

Ord. #16-2, to amend Section 11.171(14), Miscellaneous Conduct of the Municipal Code was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Tietz. From: The Park, Recreation & Forestry Commission.* Alderperson Tietz moved for the adoption of this ordinance on its first reading, seconded by Alderperson Zgonc and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – McFarland, Smith, Berg, Zgonc, Raether, Tietz, Maron and Romlein (8). No – Larsen (1).

Ord. #16-3, to amend Chapter 18 of the Zoning Code for property located at 106 Carriage Hill Drive from MR-8 (Multi-Family) to GB (General Business) was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: The Plan Commission.* Alderperson Zgonc moved for the adoption of this ordinance on its first reading, seconded by Alderperson Tietz and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 9. No – none.

Ord. #16-4, to create Section 2.04(5) Tourism Commission of Chapter 2 & amend Section 2.02(1) Appointments by Mayor Subject to Confirmation and to amend Section 2.03(a) Department of Finance of Chapter 2 was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: The Finance Committee.* Alderperson Smith moved for the adoption of this ordinance on its first reading, seconded by Alderperson Maron and carried on a roll call vote. Yes – 9. No – none.

RESOLUTIONS

Exhibit #8258, authorizing approximately \$7,400,000.00 of General Obligation Refunding Bonds for the City was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: The Finance Committee.* Alderperson Smith moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Larsen and carried on a roll call vote: Yes- 9 No-none.

Exhibit #8259, authorizing the issuance of \$2,600,000.00 of General Obligation Promissory Notes for various public projects was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: The Finance Committee.* Alderperson Larsen moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Smith and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 9. No – none.

Exhibit #8260, to authorize the purchase of a Heavy Rescue Engine for the Fire Department from Marion Truck in the amount of \$545,564.00 to be charged to Fire Department Capital Outlay Account #05-52-31-70 was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor David From: The Finance Committee.* Alderperson McFarland moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Zgonc and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 9. No – none.

Exhibit #8261, to enter into a contract with Frank Bros. of Janesville, WI for gravel crushing for three (3) years was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Berg. From: The Public Works Commission.* Alderperson Larsen moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Maron and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 9. No – none.

Exhibit #8262, to enter into a contract and authorize the purchase of an Avaya IP Office Server System from CC&N in the amount of \$161,121.00 to be charged to Capital Outlay Projects Account #05-51-71-70 was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: The Finance Committee.* Alderperson Smith moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Larsen. After discussion of this system, this resolution carried on the following roll call vote: Yes – McFarland, Smith, Berg, Larsen, Zgonc, Raether and Tietz (7). No – Maron and Romlein (2).

Exhibit #8263, to authorize application for a TAP Grant with the State of Wisconsin for a N. 4th Street Bicycle/Pedestrian Path was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: The Finance Committee.* Alderperson McFarland moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Romlein and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 9. No – none.

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT

Barry Bauman, 1303 S. Ninth Street, again addressed the Council, thanking all those that helped to try and make a compromise with dip netting. He stated that he was disappointed and felt this was why young people leave this town.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Cindy Rupprecht

City Clerk/Treasurer

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(Complete video of Council Proceedings on DVD.)

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