

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, March 21, 2017, in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed the following members present: Alderpersons Smith, Berg, Larsen, Zgonc, Raether, Tietz, Maron and Romlein. (8) Absent: McFarland (1). Also present were Police Chief Tim Roets, City Engineer Jaynellen Holloway, City Attorney Will Gruber and City Clerk/Treasurer 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, March 7, 2017. Mayor David pointed out a correction in the minutes for this section. It reads, "Mayor David inquired if there...." When it should have been "Acting Mayor Smith inquired...". This will be corrected.

COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT

Ina Trummer, 807 Fieldcrest Court, was present to address two topics. Her first topic was the water rate increase. Ina stated her opposition to this increase and provided several suggestions where money should come from, rather than raising rates. The second topic she addressed was the Main Street Matters Forum meeting, which she attended. Ina stated that still no progress has been made and we have an embarrassing downtown. She questioned what we were going to do to bring people to town, rather than simply exploring options.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee, March 7, 2017. 1. Review & approve Lead Hazard Grant Application. The Health Department and Building, Safety & Zoning Department is looking for approval to submit an application seeking between \$1,000,000.00 and \$1,500,000.00 for Lead Abatement. This would be over a three year period. A resolution will be presented at the next Council meeting. 2. Review & approve Cable TV Bids for Equipment. Cable Coordinator Karen Huismann presented three bids which were very technical and the cost rates proposed were close. Motion was made and seconded to have Karen return to a future meeting with her recommendation for the preferred proposal. This passed unanimously. 3. Review & approve Support for the Greater Watertown Community Health Foundation Grant Application. Engineering and Public Works is seeking approval for application for \$100,000.00 to construct a Shared Use Path along Carriage Hill Drive, between W. Main Street and Endeavour Drive. A resolution will be presented at the next Council meeting. 4. Review & approve a Traffic Warning Sign for Western Avenue Hill. Public Works is recommending a solar powered sign, but no money has been budgeted. The cost is \$6,904.50. Motion was made and seconded to recommend this purchase, using the Contingent Account to fund this. A resolution will be presented. The report was received and placed on file.

Public Works Commission, March 14, 2017. 1. Assess lighting needed on Gateway Drive, Market Way & Airport Road. Motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to have WE Energies do a study of this lighting and report back. 2. Review sidewalk concern on the corner of S. Third & Main Street. The owner of Bradow Jewelers has reported unusual wear and tear on the east side of the building, where the sidewalk intersects. He believes mistakes may have been made in the way the sidewalk was laid. Motion was made and seconded to have Engineering go over to the property, as well as the one across the street, and report their findings back at the next meeting. 3. Waterloo Building Permits Findings update. Doug Zwieg looked into Waterloo's permit fees which they are waiving to encourage single

family development. Doug stated his opposition to the City doing the same because of the amount of dollars we would be losing without the promise of new construction. 4. Discuss & approve HydroCorp Cross Connection Contract Extension. After review, a motion was made and seconded to go with HydroCorp for a two year contract extension at a price of \$23,016.00. A resolution will be presented. 5. Review sidewalk plowing bill on Frontage Road. After discussion about confusion with this ticket, motion was made and seconded to waive this citation of \$140.00. Motion passed unanimously. 6. Review & approve Storm Wate Facility Sizing Analysis. After discussion a motion was made and seconded to approve Ruekert Mielke for an Engineering Study on Bethesda land at a cost not to exceed \$7,935.00, to satisfy pending DNR permit requirements. This passed unanimously. 7. Review Recycling Program. The annual report showed the City is doing an excellent job of steadily increasing in recycling and huge reductions in Solid Waste. 8. Review & approve yearly sign order for Street Department. Motion was made and seconded to approve a sign order with TAPCO for \$5,732.00, which passed unanimously. 9. Discuss & approve changes to Ordinance 512-60 Well Operation Permit. Water Systems Manager Freber updated the Commission on the new conditions for a permit. An ordinance will be presented. 10. Discuss & approve rate for Well Operating Permit. After discussion, a motion was made and seconded to approve a rate of a \$50.00 for Well Operating Permit. A resolution will be presented. 11. Discuss & approve valve quote from Dorner for Wastewater Treatment Plant. Motion was made and seconded to recommend Dorner Company for the purchase of new valves at a cost of \$46,209.00. A resolution will be presented. 12. Review & approve Annual Water Project. Woleski Construction of Beaver Dam was the low bidder at a cost of \$494,491.55 to supply all water and sanitary main bid supplies. This will be recommended next month. 13. Review & approve Watertown Lower Dam Repairs Project. This will be tabled until March 21, 2016 for approval. 14. Review sidewalk concerns at 1009 & 1052 N. Second Street. Jay Haberkorn provided information about 1009 N. Second Street. After discussion, motion was made and seconded to vacate the slabs that are there and have City workers fill with top soil and seed this area for grass. This passed on a 3 to 2 motion. As for 1502 N. Second Street, there are two slabs needing replacement. Motion was made and seconded to give the property owner notice to repair or replace or have the City do it and assess it back. This passed unanimously. The report was received and placed on file.

COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Julie Crnkovich spoke on behalf of the Main Street Program for Melissa Lampe, who had lost her voice. Julie updated the Council on the Main Street Matters Forum, stating that 54 persons had signed in and completed 14 of the surveys. She summarized some of the survey. Highlights were the things that persons liked about downtown, things that they wanted to see more of and things that needed improvement.

Library Director Peg Checkai then updated the Council regarding happenings at the Library. They have completed their RFP for Engineering services and expect work on the steps to begin next month. She also informed the Council that they are currently going through interviews for a Fund Raising Consultant and they are in the organizing a celebration for the 110th Anniversary of the Library, which will occur the week of June 11 – 17, 2017.

Mayor David then presented the Park & Rec Annual Report.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Certified accounts in the amount of \$272,123.36 were presented for payment. Alderperson Romlein moved to pay all certified accounts, seconded by Alderperson Larsen and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 8, 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: Cable TV Regulatory Board – February 13, 2017. Cash & Investment Summary – February 2017. Historic Preservation & Downtown Design Commission – February 15, 2017. Licensing Board – March 15, 2017. Main Street Program Board of Directors – February 15, 2017. Payroll Summaries – March 1 – 14, 2017. Plan Commission – March 13, 2017. Site Plan Review Committee – February 27, 2017. Tourism Commission – February 9, 2017. Watertown Airport Commission – February 8, 2017. Watertown Housing Authority – February 16, 2017. All reports were accepted as printed.

LICENSES

The following have made applications for Beverage Operator Licenses for year ending June 30, 2017 and are recommended for approval by the Licensing Board: Tonya J. Arndt, 217 College Ave., Watertown, WI 53094; Nathan K. Beck, 217 South St., Johnson Creek, WI; Michele Justin Behm, 1011 S. 7th Street, Watertown, WI 53094; Shanna M. Berth, 1512 Lakeside Terrace #2, Watertown, WI 53094; Alyssia A. Demetropoulos, 1600 S. 9th Street, Watertown, WI 53094; Lindsey Goetz, N7353 Switzke Road, Watertown, WI 53094; Ariane C. Gunderson, 215 N. Montgomery St., Watertown, WI 53094; Tammie M. Hines, 320 N. Montgomery St., #B, Watertown, WI; Tyrone E. Kohn, 1409 Evergreen Dr., #3, Watertown, WI; Amanda G. Lang, 1461 S. 78th St., West Allis, WI 53219; William M. Lawrence, 707 N. 4th St., Watertown, WI 53098; Benjamin J. Magestro, 1153 Boughton St., Unit 1A, Watertown, WI 53094; Sara B. Tobias, 1403 S. Third St., Watertown, WI 53094; Brianett Villarreal, 1023 W. Main St., Apt. E3, Watertown, WI 53094; Valentina F. Wagner, 1403 Wedgewood Ct., Watertown, WI; Sara B. Zietlow, 1012 N. Second St., Watertown, WI 53098. Motion was made by Alderperson Tietz, seconded by Alderperson Smith to grant all licenses, which carried on a voice vote.

The following made application for a “Class A” Malt & Liquor License: Church Street Shell LLC dba Church Street Shell (Gurinderdeep Dhillon, Agent), 423 S. Church Street. Motion was made by Alderperson Smith, seconded by Alderperson Larsen to grant this license, which carried on a voice vote, with Alderperson Zgonc abstaining.

The following made application for a “Class B” Malt & Liquor License: David Storey dba R.J.’s Treehouse, 110 S. Third Street. Motion was made by Alderperson Smith, seconded by Alderperson Raether to grant this license, which carried on a voice vote.

ORDINANCES

Ord. #17-6, to adopt and amend Chapter 550 of the Zoning Code for District & Land Uses for Large-Scale and Small-Scale Alcoholic Beverage Production, with a positive recommendation from the Plan Commission was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: The Plan Commission.* Alderperson Berg moved for the adoption of this ordinance on its first reading, seconded by Alderperson Larsen and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 8. No – None.

Ord. #17-7, to amend Section 512-16, Well Operation Permits was presented. *Sponsor: Ald. Berg. From: The Public Works Commission.* Alderperson Berg moved for the adoption of this ordinance on its first reading, seconded by Alderperson Larsen and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 8. No – None.

Ord. #17-8, amending various sections of the Municipal Code regarding a Redevelopment Authority and Housing Authority was presented. *Co-Sponsors: Mayor David/Rob Marchant.* Alderperson Romlein moved for the adoption of this ordinance on its first reading, seconded by Alderperson Larsen and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 8. No – None.

Ord. #17-9, to create Section 220-3 of the Municipal Code regarding Provisional Retail Licenses was presented. *Sponsor: Chairperson Smith. From: The Licensing Board.* Alderperson Tietz moved for the adoption of this ordinance on its first reading, seconded by Alderperson Maron and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – Smith, Berg, Larsen, Raether, Tietz, Maron and Romlein (7). Abstain: Zgonc (1).

Ord. #17-10, to amend Section 24-17A of the Municipal Code for Licensing Board Duties was presented.

Sponsor: Chairperson Smith. From: The Licensing Board. Alderperson Maron moved for the adoption of this ordinance on its first reading, seconded by Alderperson Raether and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 8. No – None.

Alderperson Romlein moved to suspend the rules to allow for a second reading on Ordinances 17-9 & 17-10, seconded by Alderperson Tietz. This motion failed on the following roll call vote: Yes – Larsen, Tietz and Romlein (3). No – Smith, Berg, Zgonc, Raether and Maron (5).

RESOLUTIONS

Exhibit #8451, to authorize the purchase of an Icy Condition Blinker System for Western Avenue hill from TAPCO at a cost of \$6,904.50 to be charged to Signs & Markings Acct. #01-54-41-18, which requires a budget amendment to reduce the Contingent Acct. #01-51-81-56 by \$6,904.50 and to increase Signs & Markings Acct. #01-54-41-18 by \$6,904.50 was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Smith. From: The Finance Committee.* Alderperson Tietz moved for adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Raether and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 8. No – None.

Exhibit #8452, to enter into a contract with HydroCorp for Cross Connection Control Program for the Water Department in the amount of \$23,216.00 to be charged to Water Acct. Progress #03-00-70-00 was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Berg. From: The Public Works Commission.* Alderperson Raether moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Zgonc and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 8, No – None.

Exhibit #8453, to enter into a contract with Dorner Company for valves in the amount of \$46,209.00 to be charged to Wastewater Repair & Replacement Acct. #02-98-00-00 was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Berg. From: The Public Works Commission.* Alderperson Berg moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Larsen and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 8, No – None.

Exhibit #8454, to authorize the submission of a grant for a HUD Lead Base Paint Hazardous Control Grant in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000.00 over a three year period was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: The Finance Committee.* Alderperson Smith moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Raether. Alderperson Smith then moved to amend by substitution the copy of the resolution laid on their desks that evening. This motion was seconded by Alderperson Berg and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 8. No – None. The motion to adopt the amended resolution by substitution carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 8. No – None.

Exhibit #8455, to authorize submission of a grant application not to exceed \$100,000.00 for a Pedestrian Bike Path on Carriage Hill Drive, between Oak Street and Endeavour Drive was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: The Finance Committee.* (Supported by the City Wide Bicycle and Pedestrian Path Task Force) Alderperson Larsen moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Raether and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 8, No – None.

Exhibit #8456, to authorize the submission of a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 for sidewalk on Milford Street, between South Street and Commerce Drive, on the north side of the street, was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: The Finance Committee.* (Supported by the City Wide Bicycle and Pedestrian Path Task Force) Alderperson Larsen moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Raether. Alderperson Maron pointed out that this resolution had not been presented to the Public Works Commission or to the Finance Committee to his knowledge. After discussion a motion was made by Alderperson Smith, seconded by Alderperson Berg to lay this resolution on the table.

Exhibit #8457, to increase the cost of HVAC permit fees was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: The Finance Committee.* Alderperson Tietz moved for adoption of resolutions Exhibit #8457, #8458 and #8459, which includes fee schedules for Plumbing permits and Electrical permits. All sponsored by Mayor David, from the Finance

Committee. The motion was seconded by Alderperson Zgonc. The motion to adopt all three of these resolutions carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 8. No – None.

Exhibit #8458, to increase the cost of Plumbing permit fees was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: The Finance Committee.* (See Exhibit #8457 above for further details)

Exhibit #8459, to increase the cost of Electric permit fees was presented. *Sponsor: Mayor David. From: The Finance Committee.* (See Exhibit #8457 above for further details)

Exhibit #8460, to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Watertown and the City of Watertown Redevelopment Authority (RDA) was presented. *Co-Sponsors: Mayor David and RDA Chair Robert Marchant.* Alderperson Romlein moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Zgonc and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 8. No – None.

Exhibit #8461, to approve a Joint Resolution Confirming the Appointment of RDA Executive Director, Redevelopment Resources, was presented. *Co-Sponsors: Mayor David and RDA Chair Robert Marchant.* Alderperson Romlein moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Maron and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 8. No – None.

Exhibit #8462, to authorize entering into an agreement with Janke General Contractors of Athens, WI in an amount of \$1,048,989.50 for the Lower Dam Rehab Project, to be taken from Acct. #05-58-11-42 was presented. *Sponsor: Alderperson Berg. From: The Public Works Commission.* Alderperson Berg moved for the adoption of this resolution, seconded by Alderperson Maron and carried on a roll call vote: Yes – 8. No – None.

COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT

Alderperson Smith requested permission of the Chair to explain a vote that occurred earlier regarding Ordinance #17-10 because a motion for suspension of the rules is not debatable. Mayor David granted his request and allowed him to explain.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Alderperson Larsen moved to adjourn, seconded by Alderperson Raether and carried on a voice vote, the time being 8:10 p.m.

Cindy Rupprecht, Clerk/Treasurer

(Complete video of Council Proceedings on DVD.)

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