

Minutes of the Common Council – June 16th 2015

A regular meeting of the City of Prairie du Chien Common Council was held on Tuesday June 2nd 2015 at 7:00 PM in City Hall. Mayor Dave Hemmer called the meeting to order.

ITEMS TO BE ACTED UPON:

1. Call to order/Roll Call – Kyle Kozelka absent. **2. Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda** – MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Jones VOTE: 7-0 **3. Pledge of Allegiance** – Led by Nate Gilberts

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. CONSENT AGENDA - A. COUNCIL – June 2nd 2015; B. FINANCE – June 2nd 2015; C. BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS – May 26th 2015; D. PERSONNEL – May 12th 2015; E. POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION – March 31st 2015; F. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT – May 2015; G. STREET PARTY/CLOSURE PERMIT – David Walz (1404 South 15th Street), August 29th 2016; H. OPERATORS LICENSES (if any) ACTION: To approve the Consent Agenda MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Gilberts VOTE: 7-0

6. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA - None

7. CITIZENS' COMMENTS, RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS - None

8. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – No formal action taken

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTIONS

A. FINANCE – Claims - ACTION: To approve the claims, with an additional claim to be paid to Midwest Sealcoat LLC (\$18,000) for work on the Hoffman Hall tennis courts, to be paid for by an anonymous donor MOTION: Gilberts SECOND: Solomon VOTE: 7-0

B. FINANCE – Hoffman Hall Bond Refinancing/Roof Repairs - Staff was recommending the note be financed with a 15-year bond, with principal paid down by the Capital Campaign funds received so far (with \$180,000 of the current Capital Campaign proceeds being used to fund the repairs and replacement of the current roof on the building). Brian Della (PFM) was present to present the refinancing plan and the city's overall debt situation. ACTION: To approve the refinancing plan with the addition of the roof repairs MOTION: Leys SECOND: Hayes-Hall VOTE: 7-0

C. FINANCE – Resolution 2015-20 (RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF APPROXIMATELY \$1,345,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2015) - This resolution will provide for the refinancing of the bonds to pay for the renovation and upgrade of Hoffman Hall. ACTION: To approve Resolution 2015-20 MOTION: Gilberts SECOND: Titlbach VOTE: 7-0

D. PERSONNEL – License Renewals - A list of the license applicants was included in the packet. - Class A Retail Fermented Malt Beverage; Class A Retail Liquor; Class B Fermented Malt Beverage; Class B Intoxicating Liquor; Class C Wine; Dance Licenses; Salvage and Recycling Licenses; Transient Room Permit; Amusement Arcade; and Amusement Devices. ACTION: To approve the licenses, pending the payment of proper fees and any past due obligations to the City MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Gilberts VOTE: 7-0

E. PUBLIC WORKS – Approval of bid for new dump truck - The Committee recommended awarding the bid (\$100,535) to Thompson Truck. \$120,000 was budgeted for this item in the 2014-2016 Capital Fund. ACTION: To award the bid to Thompson Truck for \$100,535 MOTION: Myers SECOND: Solomon VOTE: 7-0

F. PUBLIC WORKS – Request for Proposals (RFP) for roof replacement at Aquatic Park - The 2014-16 Capital Budget has \$42,000 allocated for this project. ACTION: To approve issuing the RFP MOTION: Gilberts SECOND: Solomon VOTE: 7-0

G. PUBLIC WORKS - Proposed Long-Term Capital Improvements Projects - The Committee recommended the Council adopt the long-term list for planning purposes. ACTION: To approve the Long-Term Capital Improvements Project list MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Gilberts VOTE: 7-0

10. OLD BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Adjustment of St. Feriole Island Tariffs/Creation of St. Feriole Island Improvement Fund - The Committee is recommending the Council approve an Ordinance creating a St. Feriole Island Improvement Fund, with revenue from the fund coming from an increase in the Island tariffs, and directing staff to draft a new tariff agreement. This was the second reading for this action. ACTION: To approve the plan, in concept, and direct staff to draft the Ordinance and related tariff agreements MOTION: Titlbach SECOND: Solomon VOTE: 7-0

11. NEW BUSINESS (Including items for future agenda consideration or Committee assignment)

A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION - Authorization for the Redevelopment Authority to proceed with the blight determination process of the "Parker's Service Station" property – ACTION: To approve the authorization MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Gilberts VOTE: 7-0

B. DISCUSSION - Items for future agenda consideration or Committee assignment - None

C. ADJOURN to CLOSED SESSION (7:40 PM) – ACTION: To go into closed session under Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. RE: City Attorney MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Hayes-Hall VOTE: 7-0

D. CONVENE into open session (8:45 PM) – MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Hayes-Hall VOTE: 7-0

E. ACTION from closed session – ACTION: To approve entering into negotiations with Chelsey Ritter for the position of Municipal Court Attorney for a term covering August 1st 2015 through December 31st 2016, with a probationary period through August 1st 2016 MOTION: Hayes-Hall SECOND: Solomon VOTE: 6-1 (Leys opposed) ACTION: To approve entering into negotiations with Lara Czajkowski-Higgins (Czajkowski, Higgins & Rider, S.C) for the position of City Attorney for a term covering August 1st 2015 through December 31st 2016, with a probationary period through February 1st 2016 MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Gilberts VOTE: 4-3 (Leys, Myers and Jones opposed). The motion failed by not receiving the required five affirmative votes of the Council members. ACTION: To approve entering into negotiations with Mychal Peterson for the position of City Attorney for a term covering August 1st 2015 through December 31st 2016, with a probationary period through February 1st 2016 MOTION: Jones. The motion failed by not receiving a second. ACTION: To approve entering into negotiations with Ben Wood for the position of City Attorney for a term covering August 1st 2015 through December 31st 2016, with a probationary period through February 1st 2016 MOTION: Myers SECOND: Leys VOTE: 2-5 (Titlbach, Solomon, Hayes-Hall, Gilberts and Jones opposed). The motion failed. ACTION: To postpone the decision on a City Attorney until the July 7th Council meeting MOTION: Hayes-Hall SECOND: Titlbach VOTE: 7-0

12. ADJOURN (8:49 PM) - MOTION: Hayes-Hall SECOND: Leys VOTE: 7-0

Submitted by City Administrator Aaron Kramer

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

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