

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Chippewa Falls was held on Tuesday, March 15, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Greg Hoffman presided over the meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

CLERK CALLS THE ROLL

Aldermen present: Michael Dahlby, Brian Flynn, CW King, Chuck Hull, Jane Lardahl, Bill Hicks, and George Adrian

Also Present: Police Chief Wendy Stelter, Fire Chief Tom Larson, City Engineer Rick Rubenzer, Assistant City Engineer Rob Krecji, Finance Manager Lynne Bauer, City Clerk Rae Buckwheat, City Attorney Bob Ferg

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(a) Motion by Flynn/Lardahl to approve minutes of the regular Council meeting of March 1, 2011. **Motion carried unanimously.**

PERSONAL APPEARANCES BY CITIZENS

Rick Flynn, 1304 Perry Street, thanked Councilors for keeping Norma Cycle as the City's Recycling Contractor. He also requested that the Fire Department talk to other communities in Chippewa County about providing services to them that could potentially generate additional revenue for the City.

Randy Dresel, 346 E. Park Avenue, encouraged the Council and public to go to the Youth Hockey Ice Bowl. He stated that the Youth Hockey Program is run by parents and they could use support.

Lance Nelson, 43rd Avenue and representing AFSCME Council 40, spoke in favor of the Council ratifying the tentative City Hall Union Agreement. Although he felt the agreement represented considerable concessions on part of the Union, he also acknowledged the City Council's support of the principal of collective bargaining for employees.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

(a) The Mayor announced a Public Hearing at 6:37 p.m. for special assessments within the following described areas:

- 1) Dover Street (Mansir Street to Wheaton Street)
- 2) Park Avenue III (Peterson Lane to STH #178)
- 3) Greenville Street (Woodward Avenue to "A" Street)

City Engineer Rick Rubenzer distributed copies and indicated changes that had occurred on parcels #1774 and #1775 within the Greenville Street assessment area. He indicated that one property had recently sold six feet of land to the other which would change the assessment. There being no requests from the public to speak, the public hearing was closed at 6:38 p.m.

(b) The Mayor announced a Public Hearing at 6:38 p.m. for the rezoning of Lots 1 and 2 of CSM #3799 Located on Summit Avenue, from R-3-4 Multi Family 4-Plex to R-1B Single Family Residential District. There being no requests from the public to speak, the public hearing was closed at 6:39 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS - None

REPORTS

(a) Motion by King/Adrian to approve the minutes of the Plan Commission meeting of March 7, 2011. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(b) Motion by Dahlby/Hull to approve the minutes of the Board of Public Works meeting of March 7, 2011. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

APPLICATIONS

(a) Motion by Flynn/Adrian to approve the Operator (Bartender) Licenses that were recommended for approval by the Police Department. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(b) Motion by King/Adrian to approve an Original Alcohol Beverage License Application for Mahli, Inc., 212 N. Bridge Street, Terri T. Wilson, Agent. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion by Flynn/Hicks to consider the following applications **(c)** through **(h)** all together. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion by Flynn/King to approve following Items (c) through (h):

(c) Application for Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" Retailer's License from Chippewa Youth Hockey Association, 839 1st Avenue on April 1 and April 2, 2011

(d) Application for dance and live music license from Monica Laux of the Chippewa Youth Hockey Association, 839 1st Avenue, for April 1st and April 2, 2011

(e) Application for Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License from Leinenkugel's Red Blade Hockey Club, 411 N. State St., at the Chippewa Ice Arena, on April 8 - 10 2011

(f) Application for Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License from Knights of Columbus, 236 Pumphouse Road for their annual smelt feed on April 29, 2011

(g) Application for Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License from Knights of Columbus, 236 Pumphouse Road, for their annual pierogi feed on March 20, 2011

(h) Street use permit application from Down Syndrome Footprint Foundation for a 5K and 10K race on June 4, 2011 beginning at Northern WI State Fair grounds and continuing through Irvine Park and various surrounding streets

The motion to approve items (c) through (h) carried unanimously.

PETITIONS - None

MAYOR ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS

The Mayor announced that he is recommending Dr. Steve Cook to be appointed as City Health Officer. The appointment will be on the agenda for consideration at the next regular Council meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT - None

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

(a) Motion by Flynn/Lardahl to approve the minutes of Committee #1, Revenues, Disbursements, Water and Wastewater meeting of March 8, 2011. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(b) Motion by Flynn/Hull to approve the minutes of Committee #2, Labor Negotiations, Personnel Policy and Administration meeting of March 1, 2011. CW King noted that the terms of Local AFSCME Contract 1241 were included in the approval of these minutes. He and the other Councilors expressed appreciation to the employees for what they gave up in the contracts. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(c) Motion by King/Lardahl to approve the minutes of Committee #3, Transportation, Construction, Public Safety & Traffic meeting of March 4, 2011. A brief discussion was held regarding the status of the liquor license for Dewey's Roadhouse which had been on the March 4th Committee #3 agenda. Attorney Ferg agreed to communicate to Duane Lambert the steps that he will need to take to transfer the current liquor license from the present LLC to Mr. Lambert himself. CW King called the question to end discussion. **The motion to approve the March 4, 2011 minutes of Committee #3 carried unanimously.**

(d) Motion by Flynn/Lardahl to approve the minutes of Committee #4, Recycling, Computerization, Buildings and Intergovernmental Services meeting of March 10, 2011. The Mayor pointed out that a meeting date within the minutes needed to be changed from 2010 to 2011. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(e) Minutes of the March 8, 2011 Park Board meeting were presented.

(f) Minutes of the February 9, 2011 Public Library Board of Trustees meeting were presented.

REPORT OF OFFICERS - None

ORDINANCES

(a) Motion by Flynn/King to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance 2011-03, an Ordinance Establishing the Width of Pavement on Dover Street (Wheaton St. – Mansir St.) and Greenville Street (Woodward Ave. to A St.) at 30 Feet Face-to-Face of Curbs. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(b) Motion by King/Flynn to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance 2011-04, an Ordinance Amending the Zoning Code of the City of Chippewa Falls / Rezone Lots 1 and 2 of CSM #3799, Located on Summit Avenue, from R-3-4 Multi-Family 4-Plex to R-1B Single Family Residential. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTIONS

(a) Motion by Flynn/Adrian to approve **Final Resolution #2011-05** levying special assessments and authorizing construction in Dover Street (Mansir Street to Wheaton Street) **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(b) Motion by King/Hull to approve **Final Resolution #2011-06** levying special assessments and authorizing construction in Greenville Street (Woodward Avenue to "A" Street). **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(c) Motion by Dahlby/Flynn to approve **Final Resolution #2011-07** levying special assessments and authorizing construction in Park Avenue (Peterson Lane to STH #178). **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

OTHER NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW

(a) Motion by Dahlby/Flynn to place the City's name on a letter addressed to the Governor and other State Representatives, urging continued state support for recycling, and to authorize the Mayor to sign the letter on behalf of the City of Chippewa Falls

Committee #4 had recommended that the Council sign-on to the letter, which was prepared for signature by a combination of municipal and county governments, businesses trade associations. Chuck Hull reported that the letter spells out the importance of recycling, and urges the state to keep providing financial assistance to local government recycling programs. **The motion carried unanimously.**

CLAIMS

The Claims Committee met at 6:00 p.m. to review the claims of various boards and departments of the City.

(a) Motion by King/Hull to approve the total claims in the amount of \$871,452.42, as recommended by the Claims Committee. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

CLOSED SESSION - None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by King/Hull to adjourn at 7:34 p.m. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Submitted by:

**Rae M. Buckwheat
City Clerk**