

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, June 21, 2011 in the City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Greg Hoffman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

CLERK CALLS THE ROLL

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

Absent: Mike Hanke

Also Present: Police Chief Wendy Stelter, City Planner Jayson Smith, Public Works Director Rick Rubenzer, Finance Manager Lynne Bauer, City Clerk Rae Buckwheat, City Attorney Bob Ferg, Parks and Recreation Supervisor Dick Hebert, Chamber of Commerce Representatives Allyson Gommer and Michael Jordan.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(a) Motion by Hicks/Hull to approve the minutes of the regular Council meeting of June 7, 2011. **Motion carried unanimously.**

PERSONAL APPEARANCES BY CITIZENS

Allyson Gommer, Chamber of Commerce Tourism Director, gave an overview on tourism and marketing for the Chippewa Falls area. She distributed a new Chippewa Falls Visitor guide and map to the Council. She reported that a new tourism website is being promoted which allows the public to use smart phones to access information. The Council and public are invited to the next meeting of the Tourism Committee which will be on August 9, 2011 at 3:30 p.m. at the Tourism Center.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

(a) The Mayor announced a public hearing at 6:42 p.m. regarding the 2010/2011 dance license renewals.

Leroy Johnson of LeRoy's Bar on Spring Street, spoke in support of approving the dance licenses.

There being no further requests to speak, **the public hearing on the 2010/2011 dance license renewals was closed at 6:43 p.m.**

(b) The Mayor announced a public hearing at 6:44 p.m. regarding the proposed amendment of project plan for Tax Incremental District No. 5 and Designating Tax Incremental District No. 5 as distressed.

City Planner Jayson Smith gave an update on the proposed amendments. He stated that the distress declaration will allow the city to use proceeds from TIDs #9, #10 and #11 to be sharing districts to #5 and #4. The amendment will also extend the life of the TIDs and use the revenues generated in those districts to offset debt service.

There being no requests from the public to speak, **the public hearing was closed at 6:46 p.m.**

COMMUNICATIONS - None

REPORTS

(a) Motion by Flynn/Adrian to approve the Board of Public Works minutes of June 9, 2011. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(b) Motion by Flynn/Hull to approve the Plan Commission minutes of June 13, 2011. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(c) Joint Review Board minutes of June 13, 2011 were presented.

APPLICATIONS

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

Stacey Rutsch, 25 North Main Street, asked the Council for special consideration and approval of her bartender's license, which had been denied by the Police Department due to Ms. Rutsch exceeding the number of points allowed.

Following a discussion, there was a **motion by Flynn/Hull** to deny the bartender license to Stacey L. Rutsch based on the recommendations of the Police Department and the current City processes in place. **On a roll call vote, the motion tied as follows: Aye: Flynn, Hull, Lardahl. Nay: King, Hicks, Adrian. The Mayor cast the tiebreaking vote: Nay. The motion to deny the license passed.**

Motion by King/Hicks to approve the Bartender's license application for Stacy L. Rutsch. **On a roll call vote, the motion tied as follows: Aye: King, Hicks, Adrian. Nay: Flynn, Hull, Lardahl. The Mayor cast the tiebreaking vote: Aye. The motion to approve the license application of Stacey Rutsch passed.**

Motion by Flynn/King to deny an Operator License application from Bruce L. Blum, Jr., as recommended by the Police Department. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(b) Motion by King/Hicks to approve the Dance License Applications/Renewals for 2011/2012. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(c) Motion by Flynn/King to approve the Alcohol License Applications/Renewals for 2011/2012. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(d) Motion by Hull/Adrian to approve the renewal of the 2011/2012 Garbage/Recycling Licenses of Veolia Environmental Services Solid Waste, Tambornino Sanitation, Normacycle, Waste Management and Provyro. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(e) Motion by Flynn/Hull to approve the renewal of the 2011/2012 Taxicab Licenses of Nina Marie Eisold, LeRoy E. Johnson and Kinfe Michael Mitiku. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(f) Motion by King/Adrian to approve the 2011/2012 Major Arcade License for Micon Theatre. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(g) Motion by Flynn/Adrian to approve the application for Class "E" Dance and Live Music License for Northern Wisconsin State Fair Association Inc., 331 Jefferson Avenue on July 13-17, 2011. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(h) Motion by Adrian/Flynn to approve an application for Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" Retailer's License from Northern Wisconsin State Fairgrounds, 331 Jefferson Avenue, for Northern Wisconsin State Fair, 331 Jefferson Avenue on July 13-17, 2011. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(i) Motion by Hicks/King to forward a Sidewalk Use Permit Application from TCTEKS Computers, 100 N. Bridge Street for a Sandwich Board Sign from present until June 21, 2012 to Committee #3 for review and recommendation. **Motion carried unanimously.**

PETITIONS - None

MAYOR ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS

(a) The appointment of Gregg Dachel to the Board of Review for a term to expire April, 2016 was presented for review. The official appointment will be on the agenda for consideration at the next regular Council meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor reported on two items: 1) Downtown Transportation Impact Study - In response to a question posed by business owner Randy Dresel, the Mayor reported that after investigating the matter, he found the costs of the study were not significantly increased over the original estimate. 2) E-Mail Meeting Notification - A new email meeting notification for City of Chippewa Falls residents will be available via the City's website. Those who opt for this service will receive email notifications when City meetings are posted for the Council, Committees, Board of Public works, Plan Commission, Park Board and Police and Fire Commission. Residents can sign up at www.chippewafalls-wi.gov and click on the meeting notification link on the home page.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

(a) **Motion by Flynn/Lardahl** to approve the minutes of Committee #2, Labor Negotiations, Personnel, Policy & Administration of June 9, 2011. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(b) **Motion by Hull/Lardahl** to approve the minutes of Committee #2, Labor Negotiations, Personnel, Policy & Administration of June 17, 2011. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(c) Public Library Board of Trustees minutes of April 13, 2011 were presented.

(d) Public Library Board of Trustees minutes of May 11, 2011 were presented.

(e) Park Board minutes of June 14, 2011 were presented.

(f) Board of Review Minutes of June 6, 2011 were presented.

(g) Parks, Recreation and Forestry Ad Hoc Committee Minutes of June 6, 2011 were presented.

REPORT OF OFFICERS - None

ORDINANCES

(a) **Motion by King/Flynn** to approve Ordinance 2011-08 Entitled: An Ordinance Establishing the Boundaries of New Aldermanic Districts Following the 2010 Census. It was noted that no changes had occurred since the last Census in 2000 other than the addition of annexed territory. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(b) The first reading of Ordinance 2011-09 Entitled: An Ordinance Amending the Parking Limitation on Bridge Street from One Hour to Two Hours, §7.09 (2) of the Chippewa Falls Municipal Code, was held.

RESOLUTIONS

(a) **Motion by Flynn/Hull** to approve Resolution #2011-11 Entitled: Compliance Maintenance Resolution. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(b) **Motion by King/Flynn** to approve Resolution #2011-12 Entitled: Resolution Designating Tax Incremental District No. 5 Distressed under Section 66.1105(4e), Wis. Stats. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(c) **Motion by Flynn/King** to approve Resolution #2011-13 Entitled: Resolution Approving an Amendment to the Project Plan of Tax Incremental District No. 5, City of Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(d) **Motion by Hull/King** to approve Resolution #2011-14 Entitled: Resolution Approving an Amendment to the Project Plan of Tax Incremental District No. 9, City of Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(e) Motion by Adrian/Flynn to approve Resolution #2011-15 Entitled: Resolution Approving an Amendment to the Project Plan of Tax Incremental District No. 10, City of Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(f) Motion by Lardahl/Hicks to approve Resolution #2011-16 Entitled: Resolution Approving an Amendment to the Project Plan of Tax Incremental District No. 11, City of Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

OTHER NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW

(a) Motion by Flynn/King to approve a State/Municipal Agreement for a local let Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Program Project and authorize the Mayor to execute the Agreement. City Planner Jayson Smith provided an overview on the project which was followed by a brief discussion. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(b) Motion by Hicks/Adrian to approve the DNR requested amendment (Item 14) to the Cooperative State Trail Easement. City Planner Jayson Smith explained that this amendment will allow the Railroad to re-establish railroad activities on that portion of the trail, if necessary at some future date. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

CLAIMS

(a)	City General Claims:	625,183.10
	Authorized Handwritten Claims	173,123.61
	Dept. of Public Utilities:	798,296.71
	TOTAL	\$ 1,023,469.81

Motion by King/Hicks to approve the claims in the amount of \$1,023,469.81, as recommended by the Claims Committee. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

CLOSED SESSION - None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by King/Adrian to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Submitted by:

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City Clerk