

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, September 18, 2012, 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

Council Members present: Mike Hanke, Brian Flynn, CW King, Bill Hicks and George Adrian. Absent were Chuck Hull and Jane Lardahl.

Also Present: City Attorney Robert Ferg, Finance Manager/Treasurer Lynne Bauer, City Planner/Transit Manager Jayson Smith, Director of Public Works/City Engineer/Utilities Manager Rick Rubenzer, Police Chief Wendy Stelter, and City Clerk Bridget Givens.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(a) Motion by Flynn/King to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of September 4, 2012. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

PERSONAL APPEARANCES BY CITIZENS

(a) Mayor Hoffman presented a plaque to Joseph See in recognition of his years of committed service to the community.

(b) Deb Biegung, 431 Woodridge Ct, appeared to introduce herself to Council and advised of her candidacy for Representative to Assembly in the 67th District.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

COMMUNICATIONS - None

REPORTS

(a) Motion by Flynn/Hicks to approve the Board of Public Works minutes of September 10, 2012.

Roll Call Vote: Aye – Flynn, Hicks, Adrian, Hanke, King. Motion carried.

(b) Rick Rubenzer distributed a revised copy of the Plan Commission meeting minutes of September 10 and asked that Council's motion be made based upon the revised minutes. **Motion by King/Hicks** to approve the Plan Commission minutes of September 10, 2012. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

APPLICATIONS

a) Motion by King/Adrian to approve the Operator (Bartender) Licenses as approved by the Police Department. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

Motion by Flynn/King to combine items b – h for consideration as a single item. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

Motion by Flynn/Adrian to approve the following applications:

(b) Street Use Permit Application from Megan Robarge for the "25th Anniversary of Christmas Village: Run for the Lights" event to be held on November 24, 2012 from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm on various city streets.

(c) Street Use Permit Application from Jacey Lea for the "Marching on the Chippewa" marching band competition to be held on October 6, 2012 from 1:30 pm – 10:00 pm on Coleman Street between Wheaton Street and Terrill Street.

(d) Street Use Permit Application from Chippewa Falls Main Street for the "Paint the Town Pink" event to be held on October 2, 2012 from 2:30 pm – 7:30 pm in accordance with the attached description and map.

(e) Street Use Permit Application from Chippewa Falls Main Street for "Santa's Arrival" on November 23, 2012 from 10:00 am – 10:15 am beginning at 28 S. Bridge Street and ending at 404 N. Bridge Street.

APPLICATIONS (continued)

(f) Street Use Permit Application from Chippewa Falls Main Street for the “Bridge to Wonderland Parade” to be held on December 1, 2012 from 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm on Bridge Street from Elm Street to East Spring Street including the Market Street lot.

(g) Street Use Permit Application from Chippewa Falls Main Street for “Horse Drawn Wagon Rides” to be held on December 4, 6, 11-13, and 18-20 from 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm departing from Chippewa Hardware/Gordy’s County Market parking lot traveling east on Columbia Street to Bridge Street, to Elm Street, proceeding West on Bridgewater Avenue to Irvine Park and back.

All present voting aye, motion carried.

PETITIONS - None

MAYOR ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS

(a) **Motion by King/Hicks** to approve the appointment of Gregory Dachel to the Police and Fire Commission (due to the resignation of John Nebelsiek) with a term to expire April 2013. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

MAYOR’S REPORT

(a) Mayor Hoffman introduced Patricia Frederick who shared information regarding the CROP Hunger Walk to raise awareness and funds for international relief and local hunger-fighting.

(b) Mayor Hoffman proclaimed October 14, 2012 as CROP Hunger Walk Day in Chippewa Falls and urged citizens to support the CROP Hunger Walk.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

(a) **Motion by Flynn/King** to approve the Committee #1 Revenues, Disbursements, Water and Wastewater minutes of September 13, 2012. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

(b) The Park Board minutes of September 11, 2012 were presented.

(c) The Library Board minutes of August 15, 2012 were presented.

REPORT OF OFFICERS - None

ORDINANCES

(a) The First Reading of **Ordinance #2012-20 Entitled:** An Ordinance Annexing Territory to the City of Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin was held.

(b) The First Reading of **Ordinance #2012-21 Entitled:** An Ordinance Granting a Special Use Permit to Harvey’s Tree Care LLC to Construct a 40’ x 56’ x 12.6’ High Building on Parcel #2260 Located at #10 Pear Street was held.

(c) **Motion by Flynn/King** to approve **Ordinance #2012-18 Entitled:** An Ordinance Amending the Appointive Officers Code Section, § 1.05(1) of the Chippewa Falls Municipal Code. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Flynn, King, Hicks, Adrian, Hanke. Motion carried.**

(d) **Motion by Adrian/Hicks** to approve **Ordinance #2012-19 Entitled:** An Ordinance Adding to the Fee Schedule Code Section, § 25.15 of the Chippewa Falls Municipal Code. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Adrian, Hicks, Hanke, Flynn, King. Motion carried.**

RESOLUTIONS - None

OTHER NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW

(a) City Planner, Jayson Smith, advised that CN Railroad expressed interest in purchasing the Water Department property for future expansion of their intermodal facility. CN also offered to pay for an appraisal. Councilor Hanke questioned what the impact may be on neighboring businesses that have an interest in the property. Councilor King opined that the City should pay for its own appraisal of the property. **Motion by King/Adrian** to begin negotiations with CN Railroad for the purchase of the Water Department property with the City paying for its own appraisal. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – King, Adrian, Hanke, Flynn, Hicks. Motion carried.**

CLAIMS

(a) Motion by King/Hanke to approve the claims of the various boards and departments of the City as recommended by the Claims Committee as follows:

City General Claims:	\$525,935.54
Authorized/Handwritten Claims:	\$212,001.08
Department of Public Utilities:	<u>\$29,641.02</u>
Total of Claims Presented	<u><u>\$767,577.64</u></u>

Roll Call Vote: Aye – King, Hanke, Flynn, Hicks, Adrian. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION - None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by King/Adrian to adjourn at 7:03 p.m. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

Submitted by:

Bridget Givens
City Clerk