

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, October 16, 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, Chuck Hull, Jane Lardahl, Bill Hicks and George Adrian.

Also Present: City Attorney Robert Ferg, City Planner/Transit Manager Jayson Smith, Director of Public Works/City Engineer/Utilities Manager Rick Rubenzer, Police Chief Wendy Stelter, Fire Chief Tom Larson, Parks and Recreation Director Dick Hebert, and City Clerk Bridget Givens.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(a) Motion by Flynn/Adrian to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 2, 2012. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

PERSONAL APPEARANCES BY CITIZENS

(a) Randy Dresel, 346 E Park Avenue, appeared to state his concern with the City entertaining selling the water department building to CN Railroad based upon the impact it may have on the tax roll. He further questioned if the City would instead engage a party that would be paying taxes. He also was concerned with future potential need for the building.

(b) Donna Wahl of Happy Tails Dog Park appeared to thank the City for all of their support in the past and advise everyone of the Pooch Party in the Park event.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

COMMUNICATIONS - None

REPORTS

(a) Motion by Flynn/Hull to approve the Board of Public Works minutes of October 8, 2012. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Flynn, Hull, Lardahl, Hicks, Adrian, Hanke, King. Motion carried.**

(b) Motion by Hanke/King to approve the Plan Commission minutes of October 8, 2012. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

(c) Motion by Lardahl/Adrian to approve the Transit Board of Directors minutes of October 11, 2012. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Lardahl, Adrian, Hanke, Flynn, King, Hull, Hicks. Motion carried.**

APPLICATIONS

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

(b) Motion by Flynn/Hanke to approve the Application for Temporary Class “B” / “Class B” Beer and Wine Retailer’s License from McDonell Area Catholic Schools for the “5th Annual Spaghetti Spectacular” to be held on November 11, 2012 at McDonell High School, 1316 Bel Air Blvd. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

Motion by King/Hicks to approve items (c) and (d), as shown below, as one item:

(c) Application for Temporary Class “B” / “Class B” Beer and Wine Retailer’s License from McDonell Area Catholic Schools for the “5th Annual Mid-Winter Mardi Gras” to be held on February 9, 2013 at McDonell High School, 1316 Bel Air Blvd; and

(d) Application for Class “E” Dance and Live Music License from McDonell Area Catholic Schools for McDonell High School, 1316 Bel Air Blvd. on February 9, 2013.

All present voting aye, motion carried.

(e) Motion by Adrian/King to approve the Street Use Permit Application from the Chippewa Manor for the “Veteran’s Salute” event in which flags will be placed in the grass along the sidewalk in front of the Chippewa Manor facility from November 7 – 11, 2012. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

APPLICATIONS (continued)

(f) Motion by Hanke/Lardahl to approve the Application for Temporary Class “B” / “Class B” Beer Retailer’s License from Chippewa Falls Happy Tails Dog Park, Inc. for the “Pooch Party in the Park” event to be held on October 20, 2012 at 841 Chippewa Crossing Blvd. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

PETITIONS - None

MAYOR ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS - None

MAYOR’S REPORT

(a) Mayor Hoffman proclaimed November 8-9, 2012 as Rotary Rose Days in the City of Chippewa Falls and encouraged area residents to support our youth by purchasing some beautiful Rotary Roses for a loved one.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

(a) Motion by Flynn/Hanke to approve the Committee #1 Revenues, Disbursements, Water and Wastewater minutes of October 11, 2012. **Roll Call Vote: Aye- Flynn, Hanke, King, Hull, Lardahl, Hicks, Adrian. Motion carried.**

(b) The Park Board Minutes of October 9, 2012 were presented. Councilor King questioned a portion of the minutes referencing the north end of the park as he felt the minutes did not adequately reflect what was discussed at the meeting. Dick Hebert advised that the minutes in question referred to a member of the Park Board who would like Council to consider a resolution to keep the north end of the park natural. Councilor Lardahl indicated that the minutes would be corrected to offer additional detail.

(c) The Library Board Minutes of September 12, 2012 were presented.

REPORT OF OFFICERS - None

ORDINANCES - None

RESOLUTIONS

(a) Motion by Flynn/King to approve **Resolution #2012-33 Entitled:** Resolution Regarding Exemption from Library Levy. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Flynn, King, Hull, Lardahl, Hicks, Adrian, Hanke. Motion carried.**

(b) Motion by King/Hull to approve **Resolution #2012-34 Entitled:** Resolution Plat of Willow Creek II. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – King, Hull, Lardahl, Hicks, Adrian, Hanke, Flynn. Motion carried.** Prior to the roll call vote, Attorney Ferg stated that approval of the plat is considered a ministerial duty and Council must act to approve or disapprove based upon whether or not the plat meets the requirements according to Statute 236.

OTHER NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW

Jayson Smith received a call from Katherine Murphy, owner of the Tanfastic Building, inquiring about potential interest on the part of the City in purchasing the property. Councilors King and Hicks expressed concern with the City interjecting while the property owner is still in negotiations with her insurance company. Smith advised that the urgency is predicated upon the fact that the Hong Kong House building is scheduled for demolition and that is the only access to the second floor of her building. **Motion by King/Flynn** to authorize an appraisal of 11 W. Spring Street for review only by the City Council and to allow the appraiser to have access to the second floor to prepare the appraisal. **Roll Call Vote: Aye - King, Flynn, Hull, Lardahl, Hicks, Adrian, Hanke. 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:	\$302,506.39
Authorized/Handwritten Claims:	\$187,368.94
Department of Public Utilities:	<u>\$51,522.62</u>
Total of Claims Presented	<u>\$541,397.95</u>

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

CLOSED SESSION - None

ADJOURNMENT

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

Submitted by:

Bridget Givens
City Clerk