

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 17, 2017 in the City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Greg Hoffman called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

CLERK CALLS THE ROLL

Council Members present: John Monarski, Rob Kiefer, CW King, Chuck Hull, Paul Olson, Paul Nadreau, and Robert Hoekstra.

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 Matthew Kelm, Parks and Recreation Director Dick Hebert, City Clerk Bridget Givens, and those on the attached sign-in sheet.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(a) Motion by Hoekstra/King to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 3, 2017. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

PERSONAL APPEARANCES BY CITIZENS - None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

(a) Michael Cohoon, 463 Glenwood Court, appeared to provide an overview of Hope Village and the project proposed to locate two tiny houses to shelter the homeless at Chippewa Valley Bible Church. The project would be similar to what is currently being done at Trinity United Methodist Church (Trinity). Mayor Hoffman opened the Public Hearing regarding a Special Use Permit to locate up to two tiny houses at 531 E South Avenue, Parcel #4424, Chippewa Valley Bible Church, at 6:33 pm.

Speaking in opposition of the project were the following:

Don Miller, 542 E South Avenue
Cheryl Crawford, 534 E South Avenue

Speaking in support of the project were the following:

Alan Dunham, 840 Mansfield Street
Shirley Froehlich, 22940 Cty Hwy X, Cadott
Curt Rohland, 10803 175th Street
Ruth Rosenow (Chippewa County Housing Director), 508 Squires Street

Chief Kelm was questioned if the Police Department has received calls regarding the Trinity location; they have not.

There being no further requests to speak, the Public Hearing was closed at 6:47 pm.

COMMUNICATIONS - None

REPORTS

(a) The Board of Public Works meeting of October 9, 2017 was cancelled due to a lack of agenda items.

(b) Motion by Hull/Kiefer to approve the Plan Commission minutes of October 9, 2017. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

(a) Motion by Monarski/Hoekstra to approve the Committee #1 Revenues, Disbursements, Water, and Wastewater minutes of October 10, 2017. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Monarski, Hoekstra, Kiefer, King, Hull, Olson, Nadreau. Motion carried.**

(b) Motion by Monarski/Nadreau to approve the Committee #1 Revenues, Disbursements, Water, and Wastewater minutes of October 17, 2017. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Monarski, Nadreau, Hoekstra, Kiefer, King, Hull, Olson. Motion carried.**

(c) Motion by King/Kiefer to approve the Committee #3 Transportation, Construction, Public Safety and Traffic minutes of October 17, 2017. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – King, Kiefer, Hull, Olson, Nadreau, Hoekstra, Monarski. Motion carried.**

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS (continued)

(d) Motion by Nadreau/Olson to approve the Committee #4 Recycling, Computerization, Buildings and Intergovernmental Services minutes of October 17, 2017. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Nadreau, Olson, Hoekstra, Monarski, Kiefer, King, Hull. Motion carried.**

(e) The Park Board minutes of October 10, 2017 were presented.

(f) The Library Board minutes of September 13, 2017 were presented.

APPLICATIONS

(a) Motion by King/Hoekstra to approve the Operator (Bartender) Licenses conditioned upon final approval by the Police Department. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

Motion by Monarski/Kiefer to combine items (b) and (c) below for discussion and consideration. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

City Attorney Ferg explained the transfer of license is needed due to the assignment for the benefit of creditors being in effect; the receiver is vested with the title to the premises. As Gordy's no longer has title to the premises or its contents, the statutes provide for a transfer of the license to a receiver so the premises can be legally operated relative to the sale of alcohol.

Motion by Kiefer/Hoekstra to approve items (b) and (c) as follows:

(b) Retail License Transfer of the Class "A"/"Class A" Intoxicating Liquor and Malt Beverage License from Gordy's Chippewa Foods, Inc. (212 Bay Street) to Gordy's Chippewa Foods, Inc., Michael S. Polsky, Receiver; and

(c) Retail License Transfer of the Class "A"/"Class A" Intoxicating Liquor and Malt Beverage License from Gordy's Chippewa South, Inc. (303 Prairie View Road) to Gordy's Chippewa South, Inc., Michael S. Polsky, Receiver.

Roll Call Vote: Aye – Kiefer, Hoekstra, Monarski, Hull, Nadreau; No – King, Olson. Motion carried.

Motion by Monarski/Kiefer to consider items (d) – (f) in one motion. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

Motion by Monarski/Kiefer to approve items (d) – (f) as follows:

(d) Street Use Permit Application from Arthur Butcher for the Run for the Fallen to be held on October 21, 2017 from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm utilizing Lake Wissota Drive, Lakeview Drive, and Lakeland Drive.

(e) Street Use Permit Application from the Chippewa Manor for the Veterans Salute to be held on November 9, 2017 at 222 Chapman Road; flags to be displayed in the boulevard from November 6 – 13, 2017.

(f) Application for Temporary Class "B" Beer Retailer's License from the Knights of Columbus for the Hunter's Stag to be held on November 8, 2017 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 236 Pumphouse Road.

(g) Application for Temporary Class "B" Beer Retailer's License from the Chippewa Falls Area Senior Center for the Hoedown Fundraiser Party to be held on October 28, 2017 at 1000 E Grand Avenue.

All present voting aye, except Hoekstra who voted present, motion carried.

PETITIONS - None

MAYOR ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS - None

MAYOR'S REPORT - None

REPORT OF OFFICERS - None

ORDINANCES

(a) Motion by King/Hull to approve **Ordinance #2017-15 Entitled:** An Ordinance Amending the Thirty-Minute Parking Provision Code Section, §7.09(3)(c) of the Chippewa Falls Municipal Code. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – King, Hull, Olson, Nadreau, Hoekstra, Monarski, Kiefer. Motion carried.**

(b) Motion by King/Nadreau to approve **Ordinance #2017-16 Entitled:** An Ordinance Granting a Special Use Permit to Locate up to Two Tiny Houses at 531 E South Avenue, on Parcel #4424. Council President Kiefer advised that he is not opposed to the addition of tiny houses, but indicated when they were granted at Trinity, it was recommended that the process be reviewed after one year. These were approved last February so he felt the Council should wait until the one year period to allow for the review. Councilor Hoekstra indicated he is in favor of the concept, but approved the tiny houses at Trinity based upon the proximity to the Police Department and other services.

ORDINANCES (continued)

Due to the location (lack of services and near a school) Hoekstra was not in favor of tiny houses being placed at the Chippewa Valley Bible Church. It was discussed that additional conditions should be considered such as proximity to schools or parks. Councilor Nadreau agreed; however, feels it is better for people to be living in the tiny houses as opposed to their vehicles.

Motion by Kiefer/Olson to table the ordinance until such time as the one-year review of the Trinity location can be completed. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Kiefer, Olson, Hoekstra, Monarski; No – King, Hull, Nadreau.**

Motion carried. Hoekstra called for a point of order to confirm the vote, Mayor Hoffman accepted and it was confirmed the vote was 4/3 in favor of tabling the ordinance.

RESOLUTIONS - None

OTHER NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW

(a) Motion by King/Hoekstra to approve awarding the bid for HVAC repairs and improvements at the Chippewa Falls Wastewater Treatment Plant to low bidder, J.F. Ahern, in the amount of \$518,400. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – King, Hoekstra, Monarski, Kiefer, Hull, Olson, Nadreau. Motion carried.**

(b) Motion by Monarski/Kiefer to approve Contract Amendment No. 2 with SEH for the Chippewa Falls Downtown Riverfront Project. Councilor Olson questioned the scope of the amendment. It was stated that SEH will be providing the architectural design of the restrooms and maintenance building. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Monarski, Kiefer, King, Hull, Olson, Nadreau, Hoekstra. Motion carried.**

(c) Parks and Recreation Director Dick Hebert distributed an Emerald Ash Borer Information Sheet and provided details thereon. The City recently conducted a tree inventory which included boulevard trees and trees in Irvine and Marshall Parks. 21.4% of the trees were identified as ash trees. Hebert discussed the condition of the inventoried trees, the treatment options (drenching/injection), and the cost associated with each treatment method. **Motion by Kiefer/Hull** to approve the recommendation of the Park Board to identify and treat 10 – 12 trees in the parks and that homeowners have the option to treat trees on the boulevard at their own expense. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Kiefer, Hull, Olson, Nadreau, Hoekstra, King; No – Monarski. Motion carried.**

Hebert also extended an invitation to the Mayor and Council to attend an informational Open House on November 7th at 5:00 pm regarding the Emerald Ash Borer Readiness and Response Plan.

CLAIMS

(a) Motion by Olson/Hull to approve the claims as recommended by the Claims Committee.

City General Claims:	\$589,895.77
Authorized/Handwritten Claims:	\$40,886.90
Department of Public Utilities:	<u>\$36,219.30</u>
Total of Claims Presented	<u>\$667,001.97</u>

Roll Call Vote: Aye – Olson, Hull, Nadreau, Hoekstra, Monarski, Kiefer, King. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION - None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by King/Hoekstra to adjourn at 7:26 pm. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

Submitted by:
Bridget Givens, City Clerk