

REGULAR MEETING OF COMMON COUNCIL

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Chippewa Falls was held on Tuesday, January 5, 2010 at 6:30 PM in the City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Gregory Hoffman presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

CLERK CALLS THE ROLL

Council Members present: Michael Dahlby, Brian Flynn, CW King, Jason Anderson, Jane Lardahl, Dennis Doughty and Susan Zukowski.

City Staff present: Parks & Recreation Director William Faherty, Public Works Director Rick Rubenzer, City Inspector Paul Lasiewicz, Interim Police Chief John Liddell.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

(a) **Motion by Doughty/Zukowski, all present voting aye**, to approve the minutes of the regular council meeting of December 15. **Motion carried.**

PERSONAL APPEARANCES BY CITIZENS

(a) None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

(a) Mayor Hoffman opened a public hearing at 6:33 PM regarding the Class C Dance License Application of Margo's Sunbeam Tavern LLC, 1310 E. Park Avenue. **Russ Blair**, 228 Oak Knoll Drive, Chippewa Falls, lives close to this establishment and has issues with the loud music and hours of operation. He also raised concerns about enforcement and compliance relating to the criteria necessary to get a dance license. No one else appeared for or against and the hearing was closed at 6:38 PM.

(b) Mayor Hoffman opened a public hearing at 6:39 PM regarding a Special Use Permit for the operation of a household appliance recycling and metal recovery business in and outside of the existing building on parcel number 3516 located at 207 East Vine Street. **Jim and Henrietta Campbell**, Chippewa Street, had concerns about the sewer under this lot; trash and storage of appliances; and the overall integrity of the property. **Public Works Director Rick Rubenzer** indicated there was a provision in the SUP that any appliances dropped off had to be removed from the property within 48 hours. **Pat Popple**, Summit Avenue, Chippewa Falls, voiced concerns about the pollutants in air conditioners and refrigerators with the location being in the middle of a residential area. **Paul Nadreau**, owner of the property, spoke about his request for the SUP and was concerned he was being criticized for cleaning up the property. **Bruce Bignell**, Main Street, Chippewa Falls, also requesting this SUP, spoke about the process used when dealing with freon and the chain of custody that must be documented. If he does not comply with regulations, the DNR would notify the EPA. Henrietta and James Campbell spoke again and mentioned there must have been special permits to put a building on the two lots that were bought back in the 1950's. No one else appeared for or against and the hearing was closed at 6:52 PM.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

REPORTS

None

APPLICATIONS

(a) Motion by Doughty/Anderson, all present voting aye, to approve the Operator (Bartender) Licenses as recommended by the Police Department. **Motion carried.**

(b) Motion by Doughty/King to approve the Class C Dance License Application of Margo's Sunbeam Tavern LLC, 1310 E. Park Avenue. **After a roll call vote, said motion passed unanimously.**

(c) Motion by Flynn/Doughty, all present voting aye, to approve the Street Use Permit Application by the Chi Hi Cross Country Team for the Chilly Chippewa 5K Run/Walk on March 6. **Motion carried.**

PETITIONS

None

MAYOR ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS

None

MAYOR'S REPORT

(a) Mayor Hoffman announced there were 39 applicants for the City Administrator position and that Committee #2 would be starting the hiring process.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

(a) Motion by Doughty/Anderson, all present voting aye, to approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of December 15. **Motion carried.**

(b) Motion by Anderson/Doughty, all present voting aye, to approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of January 4. **Motion carried.**

(c) The minutes of the Library Board special meeting of December 21 were presented. Alderman Doughty, Council Representative on the Library Board, commented they had phenomenal candidates for Library Director and believe they have picked a director that will bring a new image to the library and will concentrate on drawing people to the library.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

(a) City Clerk Lynne Bauer announced the names of the candidates for the Spring Election: Brian Flynn, Second Ward; Dale R. Berg and Chuck Hull, Fourth Ward; Jane Lardahl, Fifth Ward; Dennis Doughty, Sixth Ward.

(b) Interim City Administrator William Forrest, introduced himself to the Council and gave them some insight into his background that includes current service as Council President for the City of Wausau. He is very familiar with municipal government and operations and looks forward to being back in Chippewa Falls and assisting the City with their needs during this interim period.

ORDINANCES

(a) Motion by Doughty/Anderson to approve **Ordinance 2009-24 Entitled:** An Ordinance Granting a Special Use Permit to Operate a Household Appliance Recycling and Metal Resource Recovery Business at #207 East Vine Street. **After a roll call vote, said motion passed unanimously.**

(b) The First Reading of Ordinance 2010-01 Entitled: An Ordinance Creating the Fee Schedule Code Section, § 25.15 of the Chippewa Falls Municipal Code was held. **Motion by Zukowski/Anderson** to suspend the rules and have a second reading. **After a roll call vote, said motion passed unanimously. Motion by Zukowski/Lardahl** to approve **Ordinance 2010-01 Entitled:** An Ordinance Creating the Fee Schedule Code Section, § 25.15 of the Chippewa Falls Municipal Code. **After a roll call vote, said motion passed unanimously.**

ORDINANCES(cont.)

(c) The First Reading of Ordinance 2010-02 Entitled: An Ordinance Amending the Responsibility of Owner or Person In Charge of Premises Where There Is Drug Usage Ordinance, Section 9.079 of the Chippewa Falls Municipal Code was held.

(d) The First Reading of Ordinance 2010-03 Entitled: An Ordinance Amending the Responsibility of Owner or Occupant of Premises Where There is a Loud Party or Gathering Ordinance, Section 9.076 of the Chippewa Falls Municipal Code was held.

(e) The First Reading of Ordinance 2010-04 Entitled: An Ordinance Amending the No Parking Code Section, § 7.09(1)(b) of the Chippewa Falls Municipal Code was held.

(f) The First Reading of Ordinance 2010-05 Entitled: An Ordinance Amending the Cruelty to Animals and Birds Code Section, § 9.19 of the Chippewa Falls Municipal Code was held. **Motion by King/Flynn** to suspend the rules and have a second reading. **After a roll call vote, said motion passed unanimously.** **Motion by Anderson/Lardahl** to approve **Ordinance 2010-05 Entitled:** An Ordinance Amending the Cruelty to Animals and Birds Code Section, § 9.19 of the Chippewa Falls Municipal Code. **After a roll call vote, said motion passed unanimously.**

RESOLUTIONS

(a) Motion by Zukowski/Doughty to approve **Resolution 2010-01 Entitled:** Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of Up to \$1,470,250 Water System Revenue Bonds, Series 2010, and Providing for Other Details and Covenants with Respect Thereto. **After a roll call vote, said motion passed unanimously.**

OTHER NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW

None

CLAIMS

(a) The Claims Committee met at 6:00 PM before the regular meeting to review the claims for payment by the various departments of the city. **Motion by Zukowski/King** to approve the payment of the claims listed below. **After a roll call vote, said motion passed unanimously.**

Total City General and
Authorized/Handwritten Claims: \$63,723.22

CLOSED SESSION (7:11 PM)

Motion by Doughty/Zukowski to go into closed session under 19.85(1)(e) for “deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session” to consider sale of property to City of Menomonie; and to allow Mayor Hoffman, City Attorney Ferg, Interim City Administrator Bill Forrest, City Clerk Bauer and City Engineer Rubenzer in the closed session; may return to open session. **After a roll call vote said motion passed unanimously.** The Council discussed this issue. **Motion by Anderson/Zukowski, all present voting aye,** to return to open session. **Motion carried.**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Doughty/Lardahl, all present voting aye to adjourn at 7:53 PM. **Motion carried.**

Minutes submitted by:
Lynne Bauer, City Clerk