

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, April 19, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Greg Hoffman presided over the meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

CLERK CALLS THE ROLL

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

Also Present: Police Chief Wendy Stelter, Fire Chief Tom Larson, City Engineer Rick Rubenzer, Assistant City Engineer Rob Krejci, Finance Manager Lynne Bauer, City Clerk Rae Buckwheat, City Attorney Bob Ferg, Library Director Daryl Eschete, Utilities Office Manager Connie Freagon, Councilor Elect Mike Hanke.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(a) Motion by Flynn/King to approve the minutes of the regular Council meeting of April 5, 2011. **Motion carried unanimously.**

PERSONAL APPEARANCES BY CITIZENS

(a) Rusty Volk, Executive Director of Northern Wisconsin State Fair Association, provided a powerpoint presentation and update on Fairgrounds development.

Bruce and Kathy Klassen expressed concerns about getting reimbursed from the City's insurance company for a sewer problem they had several months ago. They hired a plumber who found the problem to be in the City's sewer line. The Klassens are claiming reimbursement of \$175.00 for their plumber's bill. They expressed frustration with the claim process and were concerned that they still hadn't been reimbursed after several months.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

COMMUNICATIONS - None

REPORTS

(a) Motion by Lardahl/Adrian to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2011 meeting of the Board of Public Works. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(b) Motion by Lardahl/Flynn to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2011 meeting of the Planning Commission. Following a brief discussion concerning protection of the wellhead protection area, and a clarification that item #4 of the minutes should be granting EOG a conditional use amendment, the **Motion carried unanimously.**

APPLICATIONS

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

Carmalite M. Fuselier appeared before the Council to ask consideration of her application for a bartender's license which, due to her arrest record, had been recommended for denial by the Police Department. The Police Chief explained that using the point system, when someone reaches 9 points, they are denied, and the applicant had 21 points.

Motion by Flynn/Lardahl to deny the application from Carmalite Fuselier due to the number of outstanding points identified by the Police Department. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(b) Motion by Dahlby/Adrian to approve a Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" Retailer's License for Chippewa Falls Area Chamber of Commerce, at Northern Wisconsin State Fair Grounds Beer Garden Lot on June 15, 2011. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(c) Motion by Flynn/King to approve a Class "E" Dance and Live Music License for Chippewa Falls Area Chamber of Commerce at Northern Wisconsin State Fairgrounds on June 15, 2011. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(d) Motion by King/Hull to approve a Sidewalk Use Permit for Chippewa Falls Public Library for a Display of Sign to Publicize Programming in Front of Main Entrance on West Central Street from May 1 through September 1, 2011. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(e) Motion by Flynn/Adrian to approve a Sidewalk Use Permit for Duncan Creek Wine Bar for Tables and Chairs Dining on the Sidewalk adjacent to 213 N. Bridge Street from May 1 through September 30, 2011. Following a discussion concerning handicap accessibility at this location, **the motion to approve was withdrawn by Flynn. Motion by Lardahl/Flynn to table the item and refer it to Committee #3. Motion passed 6 to 1. Dahlby was opposed.**

(f) Motion by Flynn/Hull to approve a Street Use Permit to James Kirchen, Chippewa Valley Bible Church, for a Community Cross Walk on April 22, 2011 from the City Pool to Chippewa Valley Bible Church via Sidewalks. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(g) Motion by Hull/King to approve a Street Use Permit for Chippewa Falls Patriotic Council for a Memorial Day Parade on May 30, 2011 beginning on Willow Street East of Bridge Street to Elm Street to Bridgewater Street and ending in Irvine Park. **Motion carried unanimously.**

PETITIONS - None

MAYOR ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS

The Mayor stated that he will be considering appointments to various committees in the next few weeks. He offered the Council an opportunity to submit names of individuals who may wish to serve.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor announced that this was the last meeting for Alderperson Mike Dahlby, who has completed his two year term. Mr. Dahlby was praised for his dedication and hard work during his term as Alderperson.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

(a) Motion by Flynn/King to approve the minutes of Committee #1, Revenues, Disbursements, Water and Wastewater of April 12, 2011. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(b) Motion by Flynn/Hull to approve the minutes of Committee #2, Labor Negotiations, Personnel Policy and Administration meeting of April 13, 2011. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(c) Motion by King/Adrian to approve Consider minutes of Committee #3, Transportation, Construction, Public Safety & Traffic meeting of April 13, 2011. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(d) The Park Board Minutes of April 12, 2011 were presented.

(e) The Library Board of Trustees Minutes of March 9, 2011 were presented.

REPORT OF OFFICERS - None

ORDINANCES

(a) Motion by Flynn/King to approve the second reading and the adoption of **Ordinance #2011-05 Entitled:** An Ordinance Creating the Continuation of Business as a Condition of Liquor License Retention Code Section § 12.03 (12) of the Chippewa Falls Municipal Code. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(b) The First Reading of Ordinance #2011-06 Entitled: An Ordinance Establishing Owner Responsibility for Gas Skips was held.

RESOLUTIONS

(a) Motion by King/Hull to approve Resolution #2011-08 Entitled: Preliminary Resolution Declaring Intent to Levy Special Assessments Under Chapter 66.0701 Wisconsin Statutes and Chapter 3.08 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin (Pertaining to Kennedy Road and Halbleib Road). **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

(b) Motion by Flynn/King to approve Resolution #2011-09 Entitled: Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of up to \$3,389,318 Sewerage System Revenue Bonds, Series 2011, and Providing for other Details and Covenants with Respect Thereto, and Approval of Related \$3,563,370 Financial Assistance Agreement.

Resolution #2011-09 is hereby incorporated by reference. A full copy of the Resolution is available in the Office of the City Clerk, Chippewa Falls City Hall, 30 West Central Street, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729 Phone: (715) 726-2719.

The Public Works Department reported that the Resolution establishes issuance and sale of bonds to finance the River Street Interceptor/Bay Street Lift Station and the WWTP Phase 1 projects. The bonds will be sold to the Wisconsin Clean Water Fund (CWF). The CWF is a 20 year loan maturing on May 1, 2030 at 2.4%. In addition to the CWF, the City received \$174,052 in principal forgiveness and \$610,000 in a CBDG grant. The CWF requires the continuation of the Equipment Replacement Fund.

On a roll call vote, the motion to approve Resolution #2011-09, carried unanimously.

OTHER NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW

(a) Motion by Hull/Flynn to accept a proposal of \$3,500.00 to complete an appraisal from Anderson-Misner for the Railroad property located on the west side of Bridge Street at the entrance to the downtown and for the buildings located at 28 S. Bridge Street (Parcel 4227). **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

CLAIMS

The Claims Committee met at 6:00 PM to review the following claims of various boards and departments of the City.

(a) Consider claims as recommended by the Claims Committee

City General Claims: 174,192.37
Authorized Handwritten Claims: 651.00

Dept. of Public Utilities:	76,165.23
Total	251,008.60

Motion by King/Hull to approve the claims in the amount of \$ 251,008.60, as recommended by the Claims Committee. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Flynn/King to go into Closed Session per Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1) (e) "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" for consideration of the city's offer to purchase additional right-of-way on Park Avenue and include the Council, Mayor, City Attorney, City Clerk, City Planner, City Engineer, Assistance City Engineer, City Finance Director and Councilor-Elect Mike Hanke in the Closed Session. **On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

Following a discussion in Closed Session, there was a **motion by King/Hull to return to open session. Motion carried unanimously.**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by King/Adrian to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Submitted by:

**Rae M. Buckwheat
City Clerk**