
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
December 15, 2008
CITY OF ELKHORN
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 9 S. BROAD ST., ELKHORN, WI 53121

Mayor John Giese called the Common Council to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by Roll Call.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor John Giese; Aldermen Ronald Dunwiddie, Scott McClory, Gary Payson Sr., , Julie Taylor, Charles Van Dyke

Absent: Alderman Howie Reynolds

Also present: City Administrator Sam Tapson, City Clerk Nancy Jacobson, City Attorney Ward Phillips, Police Chief Joel Christensen, City Engineer Gary Welsh

Others present: David Cole, Maureen Mayrand, Elkhorn Independent; Mr. and Mrs Bernie Joaquin

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

Mayor's Report

Motion (Payson/Dunwiddie) to approve Darlene Igl as the incoming City Clerk to replace Nancy Jacobson, present Clerk who will retire March 1, 2008, with a start date of January 5, 2009. Motion carried by the majority present.

City Administrator's Report

City Administrator Tapson reported that some property owners have questioned the percentage change in the tax levy from 2007. Tapson said an increase of 11 ¼% was anticipated due to debt service and the TID. Projects are completed, in progress, or about to be started. They include N. Church St., N. Wisconsin St., Northwest Detention Basin and the Police Department. The increase for normal operations is less than 2%. Tapson explained how taxes can go up when assessments go down. He said the dollars in the levy are collected regardless of how the assessments move. He stated that there is 5% difference between the stat's equalized value and the locally assessed valuation, the result of which is a \$.28 differential between the projected tax rate (\$5.55) and the final rate of \$5.83.

ACTION TAKEN

Non-Represented Employee Wage Adjustment

Motion (McClory/Dunwiddie) to approve a 2% wage adjustment for non-represented employees affective January 1, 2009. Roll call vote: Dunwiddie, yes; McClory, yes; Payson, yes; Van Dyke, yes; Taylor, yes. Motion carried.

Reserve "Class B" Liquor/Class "B" Beer Licenses for Bernard Joaquin, dba Bernie's, 39 N. Wisconsin St.

Motion (Taylor/Payson) to grant Reserve "Class B" Liquor/Class "B" Beer Licenses to Bernard Joaquin doing business as Bernie's located at 39 N. Wisconsin St. contingent upon a final inspection from the Fire Chief and Building Inspector, completed Occupancy permit and a letter from the Inspector validating the exemption from ADA compliance, and doors that provide visability of the premises during after hours. Motion carried by the majority present.

In discussion, Joaquin asked if a security eye hole in the door would suffice. Alderman Dunwiddie said it would not provide the necessary range of vision required by the Police. Police Chief Christensen did not want his officers to be that close to the door.

Courthouse Certified Survey Map

Motion (Taylor/Payson) to Certified Survey Map for the Courthouse Square in downtown Elkhorn to delineate a Public Street Right-of-Way and the Courthouse Square. Motion carried by the majority present.

Resolution No. 08-44: A Resolution to Establish Wages and Salaries for Part-Time, Limited Term and Seasonal Employees

Motion (McClory/Dunwiddie) to adopt Resolution No. 08-44 to establish wages and salaries for Part-Time, Limited Term and Seasonal Employees. Roll call vote: Dunwiddie, yes; McClory, yes; Payson, yes; Van Dyke, yes; Taylor, yes. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 08-45: A Resolution to Amend the Wage and Salary Plan for Non-Represented City Employees

Motion (Payson/Dunwiddie) to adopt Resolution No. 08-45 to amend the Wage and Salary Plan for Non-Represented City Employees. Roll call vote: Dunwiddie, yes; McClory, yes; Payson, yes; Van Dyke, yes; Taylor, yes. Motion carried.

Change Order: N. Wisconsin St. to Mann Bros. (Increase of \$32,888.25)

Motion (Taylor/Welsh) to approve a Mann Bros. change order of an increase of \$32,888.25 for the N. Wisconsin Street Reconstruction Project. Roll call vote: Dunwiddie, yes; McClory, yes; Payson, yes; Van Dyke, yes; Taylor, yes. Motion carried.

Change Order: Prescott St. to Mann Bros. (Decrease \$7,454.00)

Motion (Dunwiddie/McClory) to approve a Mann Bros. change order of \$7,454.00 for the Prescott Street project. Roll call vote: Dunwiddie, yes; McClory, yes; Payson, yes; Van Dyke, yes; Taylor, yes. Motion carried.

Final Payout: Prescott St. to Mann Bros. for \$15,424.85

Motion (Tylor/Dunwiddie) to approve the Final Payout of \$15,424.85 to Mann Bros. for the Prescott St. Project. Roll call vote: Dunwiddie, yes; McClory, yes; Payson, yes; Van Dyke, yes; Taylor, yes. Motion carried.

Building Inspection/Zoning Administration Services Contract

Motion (McClory/Payson) to approve the Building Inspection and Zoning Administration Services Contract with Superior Construction Consulting LLC. Roll call vote: Dunwiddie, yes; McClory, yes; Payson, yes; Van Dyke, yes; Taylor, yes. Motion carried.

Annexation Petition: A Petition to Annex Certain Municipally Owned Land

Annexation petition for land owned by the City of Elkhorn located in the Town of Sugar Creek. The land is part of the property being constructed as a stormwater detention basin.

Award Bid: Northeast Stormwater Detention Basin

Motion (Payson/Taylor) to award the bid for the Northeast Side Regional Detention Basin to Mann Bros., Inc. for \$636,660.98. Roll call vote: Dunwiddie, yes; McClory, yes; Payson, yes; Van Dyke, yes; Taylor, yes. Motion carried.

City and Utility Bills

Motion (Van Dyke/Taylor) to approve the City and Utility Bills for \$2,315,255.91 (Checks #71891 through #72140). Roll call vote: Dunwiddie, yes; McClory, yes; Payson, yes; Van Dyke, yes; Taylor, yes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion (Van Dyke/Dunwiddie) to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. Motion carried by the majority present.

Nancy B. Jacobson
City Clerk