

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, March 21, 2023 in the City Hall Council Chambers. Council President Chuck Hull 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, Heather Martell, Paul Nadreau, and Jason Hiess. Also Present: City Attorney Robert Ferg; Finance Manager/Treasurer Lynne Bauer; Assistant City Engineer Bill McElroy; City Planner/Transit Manager Brad Hentschel; Fire Chief Jason Thom; Library Director Joe Niese; Police Lt. Ryan Douglas; Roger Koski and Mike Kochaver of Bowmar Appraisal; City Clerk Bridget Givens; and those on the attached sign-in sheet.

Motion by Nadreau/Kiefer to move Item 17(a) before Item 2 on the agenda. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

CLOSED SESSION

(a) Motion by Monarski/Kiefer to go into Closed Session under Wis. Stats. Sec. 19.85(1)(g) for “conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved” relative to the following:

1. EOG Resources, Inc.; and to include the Council, Mayor, Ferg, Bauer, Givens, Hentschel, McElroy, Stan Riffle, and representatives from Bowmar Appraisal; may return to Open Session for possible action on Closed Session item.

Roll Call Vote: Aye – Monarski, Kiefer, Martell, Nadreau, Hiess. Motion carried.

Council discussed Item 1 above.

Motion by Kiefer/Monarski to return to Open Session. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(a) Motion by Monarski/Kiefer to approve the minutes of the Council Meeting of March 7, 2023. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

PERSONAL APPEARANCES BY CITIZENS

(a) Assistant City Engineer McElroy provided the Stormwater MS4 Annual Report. No public comment was received on said report.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

COMMUNICATIONS - None

REPORTS

(a) Motion by Monarski/Kiefer to approve the Board of Public Works minutes of March 13, 2023. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Monarski, Kiefer, Martell, Nadreau, Hiess. Motion carried.**

(b) Motion by Hiess/Nadreau to approve the Plan Commission minutes of March 13, 2023. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS in the order in which they are named in Section 2.21 of the Municipal Code

(a) Motion by Kiefer/Nadreau to approve the Committee #2 Labor Negotiations, Personnel, Policy and Administration minutes of March 17, 2023. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS (continued)

(b) Motion by Kiefer/Nadreau to approve the Committee #3 Transportation, Construction, Public Safety and Traffic minutes of March 14, 2023. Additional discussion ensued relative to the safe haven baby boxes. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Kiefer, Nadreau, Hiess, Monarski, Martell. Motion carried.**

(c) Motion by Hiess/Monarski to approve the Committee on Committees minutes of March 21, 2023. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

(d) The Park Board minutes of March 14, 2023 were presented.

(e) The Library Board minutes of February 15, 2023 were presented.

APPLICATIONS

Motion by Monarski/Nadreau to consider Items (a) – (e) in one motion. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

Motion by Monarski/Kiefer to approve Items (a) – (e) as follows:

(a) Application for Temporary Class “B” Beer Retailer’s License from the Chippewa Blades Hockey Club for the Blades Men’s Hockey Tournament to be held at the Chippewa Ice Arena, 839 First Avenue, on April 8-10, 2023.

(b) Application for Temporary Class “B”/“Class B” Beer and Wine Retailer’s License from the Helpful Hearts Foundation for Designer Purse Bingo to be held at the Knights of Columbus, 236 Pumphouse Road, on May 13, 2023.

(c) Street Use Permit Application from the Chippewa Falls Senior High School for the Chippewa Falls Senior High Graduation to be held on May 26, 2023 from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm (rain date of June 2, 2023) utilizing various City Streets and to charge accordingly for requested City services.

(d) Street Use Permit Application from the Chippewa County Recycling Program for the Chippewa County Clean Sweep to be held at the Northern Wisconsin State Fairgrounds, 225 Edward Street, on April 15, 2023 from 7:00 am – 12:15 pm and to charge accordingly for requested City services.

(e) Non-Commercial Kennel License Application of Nora Bering, 503 W Park Avenue.

All present voting aye, motion carried.

PETITIONS - None

MAYOR ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS - None

MAYOR’S REPORT - None

REPORT OF OFFICERS - None

ORDINANCES

(a) The First Reading of **Ordinance #2023-08 Entitled:** Ordinance Annexing Territory to the City of Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin was held.

RESOLUTIONS

(a) Motion by Hiess/Kiefer to approve **Resolution #2023-06 Entitled:** Resolution Approving a Certified Survey Map. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Hiess, Kiefer, Martell, Nadreau, Monarski. Motion carried.**

(b) Motion by Hiess/Kiefer to approve **Resolution #2023-07 Entitled:** Resolution Adopting Rates for Stormwater Utility Fee. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Hiess, Kiefer, Martell, Nadreau, Monarski. Motion carried.**

OTHER NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

CLAIMS

(a) Motion by Kiefer/Monarski to approve the claims as recommended by the Claims Committee.

City General Claims:	\$867,408.16
Authorized/Handwritten Claims:	\$88,171.65
Department of Public Utilities:	<u>\$328,591.80</u>
Total of Claims Presented	<u>\$1,284,171.61</u>

Roll Call Vote: Aye – Kiefer, Monarski, Martell, Nadreau, Hiess. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

(b) Motion by Monarski/Martell to go into Closed Session under Wis. Stats. Sec. 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 discuss and consider the following:

1. All matters relative to procurement of a satisfactory Development Agreement with Chippewa Crossing Partners, LLC; WW Chippewa Falls, LLC; TD Chippewa Falls, LLC; SMW Chippewa Falls, LLC; and CFX Properties, LLC; and to include Council, Mayor, Ferg, Bauer, Givens, Hentschel, McElroy and any representatives of the project; may return to Open Session for possible action on Closed Session item.

Roll Call Vote: Aye – Monarski, Martell, Nadreau, Hiess, Kiefer. Motion carried.

The Council discussed Item (1) above.

Motion by Kiefer/Nadreau to return to Open Session. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Nadreau/Kiefer to adjourn at 8:08 pm. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

Submitted by:
Bridget Givens, City Clerk