# 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, December 5, 2023, 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, Heather Martell, Paul Nadreau, and Jason Hiess.

Also Present: City Attorney Robert Ferg; Finance Manager/Treasurer Lynne Bauer; Director of Public Works/Utility Manager Brandon Cesafsky; City Planner/Transit Manager Brad Hentschel; Police Chief Matt Kelm; Fire Chief Jason Thom; Parks, Recreation and Forestry Director John Jimenez; Police Lt. Korry Boos; Police Sgt. Sheridan Pabst; City Clerk Bridget Givens; and those on the attached sign-in sheet.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- (a) Motion by Monarski/Nadreau to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of November 21, 2023. All present voting aye, motion carried.
- **(b) Motion by King/Hiess** to approve the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of December 5, 2023. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

# PERSONAL APPEARANCES BY CITIZENS

(a) Hannah Scarseth, 1110 Warren Street, appeared to express her concern with the City's animal care ordinance; namely, shelter requirements, and the enforcement thereof.

Katy Mahlum, 616 Mansfield Street, appeared to express her concern with the City's animal care ordinance and wishes to promote the welfare of animals in the community.

Mayor Hoffman noted that Committee #3 will discuss these concerns further at their next meeting.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS** - None

#### **COMMUNICATIONS** - None

#### **REPORTS**

- (a) Motion by Hiess/Nadreau to approve the Board of Public Works minutes of November 27, 2023. Roll Call Vote: Aye Hiess, Nadreau, Monarski, Kiefer, King, Hull, Martell. Motion carried.
- (b) Motion by Hiess/King to approve the BID Board minutes of November 28, 2023. Roll Call Vote: Aye Hiess, King, Hull, Martell, Nadreau, Monarski, Kiefer. Motion carried.

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

- (a) Motion by Monarski/King to approve the Committee #1 Revenues, Disbursements, Water, and Wastewater minutes of November 30, 2023. Roll Call Vote: Aye Monarski, King, Hull, Martell, Nadreau, Hiess, Kiefer. Motion carried.
- **(b) Motion by Monarski/King** to approve the Committee #1 Revenues, Disbursements, Water, and Wastewater minutes of December 5, 2023. **Roll Call Vote: Aye Monarski, King, Hull, Martell, Nadreau, Hiess, Kiefer. Motion carried.**
- (c) Motion by King/Kiefer to approve the Committee #2 Labor Negotiations, Personnel, Policy, and Administration minutes of December 4, 2023. Roll Call Vote: Aye King, Kiefer, Hull, Martell, Nadreau, Hiess, Monarski. Motion carried.
- (d) Motion by Kiefer/Nadreau to approve the Committee #3 Transportation, Construction, Public Safety, and Traffic minutes of December 5, 2023. Roll Call Vote: Aye Kiefer, Nadreau, Hiess, Monarski, King, Hull, Martell. Motion carried.

#### **APPLICATIONS**

(a) Motion by Kiefer/Hiess to approve the Sidewalk Use Permit Application of Kathleen Enerson of Dressed Up to place a flag on the sidewalk adjacent to the business located at 15 W Central Street during business hours. All present voting aye, motion carried.

#### **APPLICATIONS** (continued)

(b) Motion by Hiess/Nadreau to approve the conditional surrender from William Gauger (1st and Goal Saloon) of his Class "B"/"Class B" Intoxicating Liquor and Malt Beverage License predicated upon the granting of the license to Punk 13, LLC (Cynthia Anderson). All present voting aye, motion carried.
(c) Motion by Hiess/Nadreau to approve the Original Alcohol Beverage Retail License Application of Punk 13, LLC, Cynthia Anderson, Agent, for a Class "B"/"Class B" Intoxicating Liquor and Malt Beverage License for Cynder's 1st and Goal Saloon, located at 29 E Park Avenue. All present voting aye, motion carried.

#### **PETITIONS** - None

## **MAYOR ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS**

(a) Mayor Hoffman announced the appointment of Election Inspectors for the 2024-2025 Term. Action on these appointments is scheduled for December 19, 2023.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT** - None

**REPORT OF OFFICERS** - None

**ORDINANCES** - None

## **RESOLUTIONS**

(a) Motion by Nadreau/Hiess to approve Resolution #2023-44 Entitled: Resolution Authorizing the Execution of the 2024 FTA Supplemental Agreement between the Cities of Eau Claire and Chippewa Falls. Roll Call Vote: Aye – Nadreau, Hiess, Monarski, Kiefer, King, Hull, Martell. Motion carried.

# **OTHER NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

(a) The Council discussed the possibility of cancelling or rescheduling the January 2, 2024 Council Meeting as City Hall will be closed. This item will be addressed again at the Council Meeting on December 19<sup>th</sup>.

#### **CLAIMS**

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

City General Claims: \$187,609.39
Authorized/Handwritten Claims: \$0.00
Department of Public Utilities: \$140,844.84
Total of Claims Presented \$328,454.23

Roll Call Vote: Aye - Kiefer, Martell, Nadreau, Hiess, Monarski, King, Hull. Motion carried.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

- (a) Motion by Monarski/King 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:
  - a. Right of First Refusal A-1 Properties, LLC, 2302 Nelson Road; and
  - b. Negotiation and possible sale of City-owned property in TID #16 including all matters relative to procurement of a satisfactory Development Agreement; and to include the Mayor, Council, Ferg, Bauer, Givens, Cesafsky, and Hentschel; may return to Open Session for possible action on Closed Session items.

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

The Council discussed Items (a) and (b).

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

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u> Motion by King/Hiess to adjourn at 7:05 pm. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Submitted by: Bridget Givens, City Clerk