## 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, January 6, 2015 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: Mike Hanke, Rob Kiefer, Amy Mason, Chuck Hull, Edward Martin, and George Adrian. Absent was Paul Olson.

Also Present: City Attorney Robert Ferg, Finance Manager/Treasurer Lynne Bauer, City Planner/Transit Manager Jayson Smith, Director of Public Works/City Engineer/Utilities Manager Rick Rubenzer, Police Chief Wendy Stelter, City Clerk Bridget Givens and those on the attached sign-in sheet.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- (a) Motion by Hanke/Adrian to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of December 16, 2014. All present voting aye, motion carried.
- (b) Motion by Hanke/Adrian to approve the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of January 6, 2015. All present voting aye, motion carried.

# PERSONAL APPEARANCES BY CITIZENS

- (a) Wes Escondo, CEO of Big Brothers Big Sisters, appeared to thank the Mayor and Council for their support of youth mentorship.
- **(b)** Karen Polzin, 405 W Vine St, appeared to ask if there were any questions regarding her letter in support of Happy Tails Dog Park.

# **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- (a) Mayor Hoffman opened a Public Hearing regarding the Discontinuance of the Alley in Block 6, Zielie's Addition of Chippewa Falls which extends from Garden Street on the north to South Street on the south at 6:34 pm. There being no requests to speak, the hearing was closed at 6:34 pm.
- **(b)** Mayor Hoffman opened a Public Hearing regarding the Discontinuance of Alexander Street in Block 6, Zielie's Addition of Chippewa Falls which extends from Garden Street on the north to South Street on the south at 6:35 pm. There being no requests to speak, the hearing was closed at 6:36 pm.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS** - None

## **REPORTS**

(a) The Board of Public Works meeting of December 22, 2014 was cancelled due to lack of agenda items.

#### **APPLICATIONS**

(a) Motion by Hanke/Kiefer to approve the Operator (Bartender) Licenses as approved by the Police Department. All present voting aye, motion carried.

## **PETITIONS** - None

## MAYOR ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS - None

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

- (a) Mayor Hoffman advised of his participation in a ribbon cutting ceremony at Bella Gente Photography.
- **(b)** Mayor Hoffman proclaimed January 15, 2015 as Big Brothers Big Sisters 'Thank Your Mentor' Day in the City of Chippewa Falls.

# **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

(a) Motion by Mason/Hull to approve the Committee of the Whole minutes of January 6, 2015. Roll Call Vote: Aye - Hanke, Olson, Adrian, Kiefer, Mason, Hull. Motion carried.

## **REPORT OF OFFICERS** - None

## **ORDINANCES**

(a) The First Reading of Ordinance #2015-01 Entitled: An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Code of the City of Chippewa Falls (regarding Parcels 3386 and 3387 located at 250 and 258 W Elm Street rezoned from R-1B Single Family Residential District to C-2 General Commercial District) was held.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

- (a) Motion by Mason/Adrian to approve Resolution #2015-01 Entitled: Resolution Regarding the Discontinuance of the Alley in Block 6, Zielie's Addition to Chippewa Falls. Roll Call Vote: Aye Mason, Adrian, Hanke, Kiefer, Hull, Martin. Motion carried.
- (b) Motion by Adrian/Hanke to approve Resolution #2015-02 Entitled: Resolution Regarding the Discontinuance of Alexander Street in Block 6, Zielie's Addition to Chippewa Falls. Roll Call Vote: Aye Adrian, Hanke, Kiefer, Mason, Hull, Martin. Motion carried.

## OTHER NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW

- (a) Motion by Hanke/Hull to approve the proposal from Ehlers, Inc. to assist the City to amend TIF District #7. City Planner Smith advised the Council that this is only approving the amendment, it does not approve expending any funds to extend Chippewa Mall Drive. Roll Call Vote: Aye Hanke, Hull, Martin, Adrian, Kiefer, Mason. Motion carried.
- **(b) Motion by Hull/Hanke** to approve the proposal from Ehlers, Inc. to assist the City to create TIF District #13. **Roll Call Vote: Aye Hull, Hanke, Kiefer, Mason, Martin, Adrian. Motion carried.**

# **CLAIMS**

(a) Motion by Hull/Hanke to approve the claims as recommended by the Claims Committee.

City General Claims: \$591,011.16
Authorized/Handwritten Claims: \$209,802.36
Department of Public Utilities: \$188,009.64
Total of Claims Presented \$988,823.16

Roll Call Vote: Aye – Hull, Hanke, Kiefer, Mason, Martin, Adrian. Motion carried.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

(a) Motion by Mason/Kiefer to go into Closed Session under WI Statutes 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/consider request from Wisconsin Scale Service & Distributing, Inc. to purchase Lot 21, Riverside Industrial Park and to allow Council, Mayor, Ferg, Smith, Bauer, Givens, and John Nelson of Wisconsin Scale Service & Distributing, Inc. to attend; may return to Open Session.

Roll Call Vote: Aye - Mason, Kiefer, Hull, Martin, Adrian, Hanke. Motion carried.

Council discussed the item indicated above.

Motion by Mason/Adrian to return to Open Session. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Mayor Hoffman reported that a motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved in closed session to authorize the sale of Lot 21, Riverside Industrial Park to John Nelson of Wisconsin Scale Service & Distributing, Inc. in the amount of \$32,000.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Adrian/Hanke to adjourn at 7:06 pm. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Submitted by: Bridget Givens, City Clerk