

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 15, 2013, in the City Hall Council Chambers. Council President, CW King called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

CLERK CALLS THE ROLL

Council Members present: Mike Hanke, Brian Flynn, CW King, Chuck Hull, Jane Lardahl, Bill Hicks, and George Adrian. Absent: Mayor Hoffman.

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, Fire Chief Tom Larson, Parks and Recreation Director Dick Hebert, and City Clerk Bridget Givens.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(a) Motion by Flynn/Adrian to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of December 18, 2012. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

PERSONAL APPEARANCES BY CITIZENS

(a) Don Sypniewski, 1032 Pine Cone Lane, appeared to express his concern with the rail yard on the north end of town and the frequency with which they are using their whistles. He questioned if the City could form a committee to discuss an alternative signal system between the trains that would be quieter.

(b) Rick Flynn, 1304 Perry Street, appeared to urge Council to consider the updates to Irvine Park and replacement of the Snorkel Truck in future bonding. Flynn stated that the Snorkel is a piece of life-saving equipment and the park is a significant draw for the community.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

COMMUNICATIONS - None

REPORTS - None

APPLICATIONS

(a) Motion by Flynn/Adrian 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 - None

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Motion by Flynn/Hanke to vote on items (a) – (c) in one motion. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

Motion by Flynn/Hanke to approve the following:

- (a)** Committee #2 Labor Negotiations, Personnel, Policy & Administration minutes of January 3, 2013.
- (b)** Committee #2 Labor Negotiations, Personnel, Policy & Administration minutes of January 14, 2013.
- (c)** Committee #2 Labor Negotiations, Personnel, Policy & Administration minutes of January 15, 2013.

All present voting aye, motion carried.

(d) Motion by Hanke/Hull to approve the Committee #3 Transportation, Construction, Public Safety & Traffic minutes of December 19, 2012. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Hanke, Hull, Hicks, Adrian, Flynn; Abstain – Lardahl. Motion carried.**

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS (continued)

(e) Motion by Flynn/Adrian to approve the Committee #4 Recycling, Computerization, Building & Intergovernmental Services minutes of December 27, 2012. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

(f) Motion by Lardahl/Hull to approve the Committee of the Whole minutes of December 19, 2012. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

(g) Motion by Lardahl/Flynn to approve the Department Head Review Committee minutes of January 14, 2013. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Lardahl, Flynn, Hull, Hicks, Adrian, Hanke. Motion carried.**

(h) The Park Board minutes of January 8, 2013 were presented.

(i) The Library Board minutes of December 12, 2012 were presented.

REPORT OF OFFICERS - None

ORDINANCES

(a) Motion by Flynn/Hicks to approve **Ordinance #2012-26 Entitled:** An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance 2005-04 Granting a Special Use Permit at #475 Chippewa Mall Drive. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Flynn, Hicks, Adrian, Hanke, Hull, Lardahl. Motion carried.**

RESOLUTIONS

(a) Motion by Hicks/Flynn to approve **Resolution #2013-01 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. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Hicks, Flynn, Hull, Lardahl, Adrian, Hanke. Motion carried.**

(b) Motion by Flynn/Adrian to approve **Resolution #2013-02 Entitled:** Resolution (regarding sale of real estate located in the City of Menomonie). **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Flynn, Adrian, Hanke, Hull, Lardahl, Hicks. Motion carried.**

OTHER NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW

(a) Motion by Hicks/Hull to approve the Proposal from SEH to provide grant administrative services for the Community Development Block Grant from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation including downtown improvements. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Hicks, Hull, Lardahl, Adrian, Hanke, Flynn. Motion carried.**

(b) Motion by Hicks/Hull to approve the Proposal from the WCWRPC to serve as the RLF (Revolving Loan Fund) Agent for the City of Chippewa Falls, TIF #4 RLF. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Hicks, Hull, Lardahl, Adrian, Hanke, Flynn. Motion carried.**

(c) Motion by Flynn/Adrian to approve Xcel Energy electric service extensions to serve four lots in 5th Riverside Industrial Park and authorize payment not to exceed \$15,000. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Flynn, Adrian, Hanke, Hull, Lardahl, Hicks. Motion carried.**

CLAIMS

(a) Motion by Lardahl/Flynn to approve the claims of the various boards and departments of the City as recommended by the Claims Committee as follows:

City General Claims:	\$255,578.77
Authorized/Handwritten Claims:	\$2,827,131.70
Department of Public Utilities:	\$296,354.74
Total of Claims Presented	<u>\$3,379,065.21</u>

Roll Call Vote: Aye – Lardahl, Flynn, Hull, Hicks, Adrian, Hanke. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Flynn/Lardahl to go into Closed Session as authorized by Wisconsin Statute #19.85 (1) (e) for “deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specific public business, whenever competitive bargaining reasons require a Closed Session” to discuss and consider the following:

- (1) Offer to purchase Lot 56, Riverside Industrial Park, from Masters Building Solutions.
- (2) Purchase of the property located at 1 N. Bridge Street per the Downtown Entrance Plan.
- (3) Purchase of the property located at 15 W. Spring Street per the Downtown Entrance Plan.
- (4) Purchase of the property located at 11 W. Spring Street per the Downtown Entrance Plan.

and to allow Council, Ferg, Smith, Bauer, Givens, David Selissen (Timbers-Selissen) and Dave White (Masters Building Solutions) to attend; may return to Open Session.

Roll Call Vote: Aye – Flynn, Lardahl, Hicks, Adrian, Hanke, Hull. Motion carried.

Council discussed items (1) – (4) above.

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

Council President King reported that motions were unanimously approved in Closed Session to accept the offer from Masters Building Solutions to purchase Lot 56, Riverside Industrial Park, and to proceed with an offer to purchase 15 W. Spring Street.

King further reported that no action was taken regarding the property at 11 W. Spring.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Hanke/Lardahl to adjourn at 7:23 pm. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Submitted by:

Bridget Givens
City Clerk