

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, April 16, 2013, 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, Brian Flynn, CW King, Jane Lardahl, Bill Hicks, and George Adrian. Absent was Chuck Hull.

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, Assistant City Engineer Matt DeCur, Police Chief Wendy Stelter, Fire Chief Tom Larson, Parks and Recreation Director Dick Hebert, Rusty Volk of the Northern Wisconsin State Fair, Chippewa Falls Chamber President Mike Jordan, and City Clerk Bridget Givens.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(a) Motion by Flynn/King to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of April 2, 2013. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

PERSONAL APPEARANCES BY CITIZENS

(a) Jody Andres and Peter Carlson of Short Elliot Hendrickson, Inc. provided a presentation on the status of their office building project in downtown Chippewa Falls.

(b) John Bernhardt presented a Development Proposal for Hampton Inn and Suites to be located west of Chippewa Crossing Boulevard.

The Mayor and Council shared their support for both of the above-listed projects.

(c) Cindy Welk, E9243 690th Avenue, Elk Mound, owner of The Snout Saloon, appeared stating that she was available to answer any questions regarding her request submitted for temporary extension of premises.

(d) Rick Flynn, 1304 Perry Street, acknowledged CW King for his service and wished him luck in his future endeavors.

(e) Carrie Bauer, 837 Morningside Drive, Eau Claire, appeared to state her support of The Snout Saloon's request for temporary extension of premises for the Dankemyer benefit.

(f) Connie Davis, 717 St. Augustine Street, appeared to state her support of The Snout Saloon's request for temporary extension of premises for the Dankemyer benefit.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

COMMUNICATIONS -None

REPORTS

(a) Motion by Flynn/King to approve the Board of Public Works minutes of April 8, 2013. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Flynn, King, Lardahl, Hicks, Adrian, Hanke. Motion carried.**

(b) Motion by Hicks/Adrian to approve the Plan Commission minutes of April 8, 2013. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Hicks, Adrian, Hanke, Flynn, King, Lardahl. Motion carried.**

APPLICATIONS

(a) Motion by Flynn/Hanke to approve the Operator (Bartender) licenses as recommended by the Police Department. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

Lauren Jacobi, 1611 Terrill Street, appeared to appeal the Police Department recommendation for denial of her Operator (Bartender) license. **Motion by Flynn/King** to approve the issuance of an Operator (Bartender) license for Lauren Jacobi. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Flynn, Hanke, King, Hicks, Adrian; No – Lardahl. Motion carried.**

APPLICATIONS (continued)

(b) Motion by King/Hanke to approve amending the approval granted on April 2, 2013 of the Application for Temporary Class “B” / “Class B” Beer Retailer’s License from the Knights of Columbus, 236 Pumphouse Road, for the KC Annual Smelt Fry to be held on April 27, 2013 (should be April 26, 2013). **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

(c) Motion by Flynn/King to approve the Street Use Permit Application from the Valley Art Association for the Solstice on Grand Art Faire to be held on June 15, 2013 from 6:00 am – 6:00 pm on Albert Street adjoining Cook-Rutledge Mansion between Grand Ave and Central Street. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

(d) Motion by King/Flynn to approve the Application for a “Class E” Dance License from the Valley Art Association for the Cook-Rutledge Mansion, 505 W. Grand Avenue, on June 15, 2013. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

(e) Motion by Hicks/Adrian to approve the Street Use Permit Application from Mark Erickson of the Chippewa Valley Family YMCA for the Leinenkugel’s Pure Water Days Races to be held on August 10, 2013 from 8:00 am – 11:00 am on various City Streets. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

(f) Motion by Flynn/Hanke to approve the Street Use Permit Application from Brooke Lukowitz for the Partners for Ethiopia 5K Fun Run and Walk to be held on May 18, 2013 from 8:30 am – 9:30 am on various City Streets (see attached map). **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

(g) Councilor Hanke advised that the request for temporary extension of premises from The Snout Saloon is for a cancer benefit for a Chippewa Falls resident. He further advised that there will be security at the event and Chief Stelter did not have any issues with granting the request. Councilor King stated that he understands the request is for a good cause; however, based upon the points raised by the City Attorney, does not feel it would be good practice to approve. Councilor Lardahl agreed with King.

Motion by Hanke/Hicks to approve the request of Welk’s Mellow Days & Easy Nights (Trade Name, The Snout Saloon) for a temporary extension of premises in relation to their current Alcohol Beverage License Application for a one-time event to be held on April 28, 2013 (as approved by Committee #3). **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Hanke, Hicks, Adrian, Flynn; No – King, Lardahl. Motion carried.**

PETITIONS - None

MAYOR ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS - None

MAYOR’S REPORT

(a) Mayor Hoffman recognized CW King for his years of dedicated service and presented him with a Key to the City. Council members also took this time to thank CW for his leadership, friendship, and service to the City.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

(a) Motion by King/Flynn to approve the Committee #1 Revenues, Disbursements, Water and Wastewater minutes of April 12, 2013. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – King, Flynn, Lardahl, Hicks, Adrian, Hanke. Motion carried.**

(b) Motion by Flynn/Lardahl to approve the Committee #2 Labor Negotiations, Personnel, Policy and Administration minutes of April 3, 2013. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

(c) Motion by Hanke/Lardahl to approve the Committee #2 Labor Negotiations, Personnel, Policy and Administration minutes of April 15, 2013. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Hanke, Lardahl, Hicks, Adrian, Flynn, King. Motion carried.**

(d) Motion by Flynn/Adrian to approve the Committee #2 Labor Negotiations, Personnel, Policy and Administration minutes of April 16, 2013. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

(e) Motion by Hanke/Flynn to approve the Committee #3 Transportation, Construction, Public Safety and Traffic minutes of April 3, 2013. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Hanke, Flynn, King, Lardahl, Hicks, Adrian. Motion carried.**

(f) Motion by Lardahl/Hanke to approve the Committee of the Whole minutes of April 11, 2013. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS (continued)

(g) The Park Board minutes of April 9, 2013 were presented. Councilor Adrian questioned the use of SEH as the designer and project manager for replacement of the pool bathhouse roof. Parks and Recreation Director Hebert advised that he would meet with SEH on Wednesday wherein the cost amounts would be discussed and brought to the next Park Board meeting.

(h) The Library Board minutes of March 18, 2013 were presented. Councilor Hicks shared usage numbers with the Council.

REPORT OF OFFICERS - None

ORDINANCES - None

RESOLUTIONS

(a) **Motion by Flynn/King** to approve **Resolution #2013-15 Entitled:** Resolution Granting a Street Privilege Permit Under Wisconsin Statute 66.045. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – Flynn, King, Lardahl, Hicks, Adrian, Hanke. Motion carried.**

OTHER NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW - None

(a) Rusty Volk of the Northern Wisconsin State Fair requested to use City equipment and/or personnel for fairground projects. Discussion ensued regarding liability issues and precedent. Mr. Volk, upon agreement from the Council was allowed to speak, and shared his opinion that the NWSF is important to the City and that many City organizations utilize the fairgrounds for events. Councilor Flynn called the question, hearing no objection, **Motion by King/Hicks** to refer this item to the Committee of the Whole for additional discussion. **Roll Call Vote: Aye – King, Hicks, Adrian, Hanke, Flynn, Lardahl. Motion carried.**

(b) **Motion by Flynn/Adrian** to approve the request of the Village of Lake Hallie to hold a joint meeting between the Hallie Village Board and the Chippewa Falls City Council. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

The Mayor advised that the below listed items would not be considered at this time as they were pending recommendation from Committee #2:

(c) Consider ratification of a labor agreement between the City of Chippewa Falls and Local 1241 AFSCME Chippewa Falls City Employees and Chippewa Falls Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department Employees.

(d) Consider ratification of a labor agreement between the City of Chippewa Falls and the Chippewa Falls Professional Police Association.

CLAIMS

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

City General Claims:	\$417,649.50
Authorized/Handwritten Claims:	\$37,500.00
Department of Public Utilities:	<u>\$59,045.25</u>
Total of Claims Presented	<u>\$514,194.75</u>

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

CLOSED SESSION

(a) **Motion by Flynn/Hanke** 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. Deliberate acquisition of the property located at 10 S. Bridge Street and the investment of Tax Increment District #12 funds for the renovation of the property located at 1-3 E. Spring Street.
2. Deliberate acquisition of the property located at 1 N. Bridge Street;

CLOSED SESSION (continued)

and to allow Council, Mayor, Ferg, Bauer, Smith, Givens, Stelter, Amy Mason and Mike Jordan to attend; may return to Open Session.

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

Council discussed items (1) and (2) above.

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

ADJOURNMENT (Sine Die)

Motion by King/Adrian to adjourn at 8:51 pm. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Submitted by:

Bridget Givens
City Clerk