



COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2009

Mayor Alan Picha called the Common Council meeting to order at 7:05 P.M. All present rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with Alderpersons Don Ehler, Rick Hanke, Greg Kubarski, R. Dale Jones, Darrow Novy, Mary Jo Onsager, and Richard Sweeney present. Mark Lankey was absent.

Mayor Picha asked for affirmation of proper public notice to which Clerk Schraufnagel replied the notice was properly posted.

Motion by Ehler, seconded by Hanke to approve the January 19, 2009 Common Council minutes. Motion carried.

Mayor Picha presented Aaron Hammer with a recognition/appreciation plaque. As an Eagle Scout project Aaron built a shelter at the Hammer-Klopfleisch Park. The City greatly appreciated the time and effort dedicated to this project.

Motion by Sweeney, seconded by Onsager to approve the monthly bills for payment. Motion carried on a roll call with all members present voting yes with the exception of Kubarski voting no.

Officer Clark provided an update on Police K-9, Teagan. Officer Clark presented a report listing all the drug convictions and other incidents credited to Teagan's performance. The police department has written out \$7,361 in citations. Currently the K-9 account has a balance of \$1,299.89 and soon \$800 will be added due to drug citations paid. Some fundraisers are being looked into as well.

Motion by Jones, seconded by Onsager to approve amendment to the employee handbook stating Police department employees may elect to be compensated at one and one-half times their regular rate of pay, in lieu of receiving additional holiday hours. Motion carried.

Motion by Kubarski, seconded by Ehler to approve BZA Consultants, LLC contract for Cross Connection/Interconnection Proposal for Services. Motion carried.

Motion by Sweeney, seconded by Hanke to approve the Occupational Health Services Agreement-Provider Approval with Gundersen Lutheran. This is an agreement renewed annually with Gundersen Lutheran to provide services in case of an on job injury and the drug testing program. Motion carried.

Motion by Ehler, seconded by Onsager to approve the MSA Agreement for engineering fees for the TRM Grant regarding the School Road erosion in the amount of \$30,400. Motion carried.

Motion by Kubarski, seconded by Hanke to approve Resolution #02-2009 WWTP Blower Emergency Contract Let Without Bid. Motion carried.

Motion by Kubarski, seconded by Onsager to approve operator's licenses #01-09, #02-09, & #03-09. Motion carried.

Motion by Hanke, seconded by Sweeney to go into closed session at 7:30 P.M. Pursuant to 19.85(1)(c) of Wisconsin State Statutes, Compensation and Evaluation. Consideration of employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee subject to the jurisdiction or authority of the governing body – Employee Health Insurance Cost Savings and Pursuant to 19.85(1)(e) of Wisconsin State Statutes, for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or the conducting of other specified public business as long as competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session – Extension of Enterprise Drive, Acquisition of Vernon County's "Cities Services Land" and Hospital Land Update. Motion carried.

Motion by Kubarski, seconded by Onsager to return to open session at 8:26 P.M. Motion carried.

Motion by Onsager, seconded by Hanke to approve the Health Reimbursement Arrangement upon legal approval. Motion carried.

Motion by Sweeney, seconded by Hanke to approve an offer up to \$2,000 for the Vernon County "Cities Services Land". Motion carried.

Motion by Ehler, seconded by Onsager to adjourn at 8:33 P.M. Motion carried.