

AUGUST 8, 2006

1. Roll call:

The regular meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Larry Fanta with Alderpersons David Tryggestad, Marc Polsean, John Bjerke, Gary Krause, Weston Mack, Roger Hatlem Gail Frie, Robert Suhr and Terry Noble present. Also present were City Administrator Jeff Gohlke, City Clerk John Severson, Assistant Police Chief Daron Jefson, Steve Clark, Nancy Bekkedal, Dan Stalsberg, Vernie Smith, Jack Vig and City Attorney David Jenkins.

2. Approval of the July 25, 2006 Regular Council Meeting.

Motion by Alderperson Suhr to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2006 meeting. Seconded by Alderperson Krause. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

3. First period for public comment.

None.

4. Jack Vig – General Government Financial Report.

Mr. Vig presented the 2005 audit report to the Council.

5. Agreement conveying the Viroqua Area Veterans Memorial site to the City of Viroqua.

Alderperson Hatlem introduced the agreement to the council. Jeff Gohlke reported that the Plan Commission had reviewed the agreement and suggested clarification on several points. Mr. Gohlke will work with Attorney Monson on a new draft of the agreement.

6. Resolution clarifying non-union employee benefits.

Alderperson Frie reported that the Finance and Personnel Committee was recommending approval of only the sick leave portion of the resolution at this time and will take the other items under advisement at its next meeting. Motion by Alderperson Frie to approve non-union sick leave policy as presented. Seconded by Alderperson Mack. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

7. Police and Fire Commission appointment – Wayne Sherry.

Mayor Fanta requested approval of the appointment of Wayne Sherry to the Commission. Motion by Alderperson Frie to approve the appointment of Wayne Sherry to the Police and Fire Commission. Seconded by Alderperson Suhr. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

8. Petition for Direct Legislation.

Severson informed the Council that he had received a petition for direct legislation. The proposed resolution states that “Resolved: The United States Should bring all military personnel home from Iraq now.” Severson noted that he has 15 days in which to determine if the petition is sufficient and that the

Council would have 30 days to act upon the resolution. Attorney Jenkins reviewed the statutes involving direct legislation with the council.

9. Revised Hwy 56 Project Agreements.

Jeff Gohlke reported that the State of Wisconsin has updated the project agreements for both the east and west urban projects on Decker Street. The Public Works Committee has recommended approval of the agreements. Motion by Alderperson Polsean to accept the agreements. Seconded by Alderperson Mack. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

10. Designation of Park Bowl entrance as Tom Henry Court.

Motion by Alderperson Frie to approve the designation. Seconded by Alderperson Mack. On voice vote eight voted aye. Alderperson Hatlem voted nay. Motion carries.

11. Police Department window replacement.

Assistant Police Chief Daron Jefson explained that the window facing Broadway needs replacement and that two quotes had been received in the amounts of \$1,367.79 and \$823.00. Motion by Alderperson Frie to approve the low quote using funds from the building maintenance budget. Seconded by Alderperson Krause. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

12. NIMS training – informational.

Mayor Fanta informed the Council that all elected officials and department heads need to take NIMS training. Assistant Chief Jefson said that the Federal Government is requiring the training to continue being eligible for certain grants. The ICS-100 Incident Command class will be offered on August 30, 2006 at the Erlandson building.

13. Payment of Bills.

Motion by Alderperson Suhr to pay the bills. Seconded by Alderperson Hatlem. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

14. Second Period for Public Comment.

None.

15. Adjournment.

Motion by Alderperson Hatlem to adjourn the Council meeting until 7:30 pm. August 29, 2006. Seconded by Alderperson Tryggestad. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.