

DECEMBER 11 , 2007

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, Jeff Clifton, and Terry Noble present. Also present were City Administrator Jeff Gohlke, City Clerk John Severson, Police Chief Mark Rahr, City Attorney David Jenkins, Assistant Administrator Matt Giese, Public Works Superintendent Steve Clark and Parks And Recreation Director Dan Stalsberg.

2. Approval of the November 27, 2007 Regular Council Minutes and December 3, 2007 Special Meeting Minutes.

Motion by Alderperson Mack to approve the minutes of the November 27, 2007 and December 3, 2007 meetings. Seconded by Alderperson Hatlem. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

3. First period for public comment.

Sara Meyer and Paula Grenier expressed their support for ice skating at the Park Bowl.

4. Ordinance regarding snow removal. Second reading.

Motion by Alderperson Polsean to approve Ordinance No.07OR007. Seconded by Alderperson Frie. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

5. Resignation of Don Long from Library Board.

Mayor Fanta read a letter of resignation from Don Long. Motion by Alderperson Krause to accept the resignation of Don Long from the Library Board. Seconded by Alderperson Hatlem. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

6. Appointment of election workers.

Motion by Alderperson Krause to approve appointment of Helen Beatty, Verna Buhr, Janice Dregne, Thelma Halverson, Shirley Olson, Charlotte Sherry, Loann Frie, Debbie Keesler, Mary Howell, Diane Banner, Paula Olson, Nancy Ertl, Ann Graham, Jean Wolenc and Carol Rudser as election workers for 2008 and 2009. Seconded by Alderperson Tryggestad. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

7. Park and Recreation recommendation to place outdoor ice and warming house at the Park Bowl or at the Wild West Grounds.

Alderperson Hatlem reported that the Park and Recreation Committee had voted to have two ice rinks at the Park Bowl. The equipment stored in the warming house will be moved to a different location. Alderperson Frie expressed concern about the City's liability exposure if safety equipment is not required on the hockey ice. The Council discussed the insurance issue and possible rules for use of the ice. Motion by Alderperson Tryggestad to have Parks and Recreation set rules, if any, for use of the ice. Seconded by Alderperson Frie. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

8. Rental of ice time from Community Arena.

Tabled.

9. Ordinance creating the Toys for Tots Commission.

Motion by Alderperson Frie to approve Ordinance No.07OR008 creating the Toys for Tots Commission and to waive the second reading. Seconded by Alderperson Mack. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

10. Library Board request to use unexpended funds of about \$10,000 from 2007 budget for 2008 operating expenses, with exact amount to be determined by 2007 audit.

Motion by Alderperson Frie to approve the Library Board request. Seconded by Alderperson Krause. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

11. Postponement of December 26, 2007 Council meeting and authorize Finance Committee to approve year end payables.

Motion by Alderperson Hatlem to postpone the December 26, 2007 meeting and authorize Finance Committee to approve year end payables. Seconded by Alderperson Frie. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

12. Payment of bills.

Motion by Alderperson Hatlem to approve payment of bills as presented on payment reports dated December 6, 2007 and December 11, 2007 for \$120,689.42 and \$38,437.50. Seconded by Alderperson Frie. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

13. Second period for public comment.

None.

14. Adjournment.

Motion by Alderperson Krause to adjourn the meeting until 7:30 p.m. January 8, 2008. Seconded by Alderperson Bjerke. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

John Severson
Clerk