

**AUGUST 23, 2016**

Regular meeting of the Common Council was called to order by Mayor Meyer at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, City Hall Plaza.

**PRESENT:** Michael Feirer, Alanna Feddick, Chris Jockheck, Gordon H. Earll, Ed Wagner, Tom Witzel, Jason Zaleski, Rebecca Spiros, Tom Buttke and Peter Hendler.

**EXCUSED:** None

**RESIGNED:** Rich Reinart

The flag was saluted and the pledge given.

Consideration of appointment of a successor to complete the unexpired term of Alderperson for the Sixth District. The following persons have indicated interest in the position and introduced themselves to the Council.

- Richard Abel, 1900 S. Vine Avenue
- Russell L. Stauber, 900 S. Vine Avenue
- Thomas W. Witzel, 1500 S. Cedar Avenue

Alderperson Buttke nominated all 3 candidates; Richard Abel, Russell Stauber and Thomas Witzel.

There being no further nominations the Mayor declared the nominations closed.

The Common Council voted by ballot to narrow the field to two candidates.

Abel received 1 vote.

Stauber received 4 votes.

Witzel received 4 votes.

The top 2 candidates were Stauber and Witzel.

The Common Council voted by ballot.

Stauber received 4 votes.

Witzel received 5 votes.

Thomas Witzel was elected to fill the unexpired term of Alderperson for the 6<sup>th</sup> District.

City Clerk Hall gave the Oath of Office to Thomas Witzel.

No items were added to the agenda

### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Lori Belongia, Library Director, gave an update on the progress of the move into the new library. There will be a ribbon cutting & soft opening at 9:00 a.m. on September 6, 2016 and the grand opening will be on Sunday, November 13, 2016 at noon.

William Penker, 600 S. Sycamore Avenue, thanked the UW Dean for allowing him to use the computers at the UW Library. He also spoke about the failed street funding referendum. There is some debate as to the extent to which the whole referendum question was communicated to the public. What was the marketing plan for the referendum? What was the particular message; how was that message to be presented; who was doing the presentation; to whom was the message directed; where was it presented; when was it presented; and what was going to be done to overcome the 2<sup>nd</sup> Street affect? Recall the lead up to the last school funding referendum, were there marketing lessons in that lead up and were there marketing lessons that were not followed for the street referendum?

**CC16-170** Motion by Hendler, second by Feirer to approve the minutes of the Common Council regular meeting of August 9, 2016.

**Motion carried**

### **STAFF UPDATES**

Dan Knoeck announced that the annual Board of Public Works bus tour will be held on Wednesday, September 7, 2016 leaving City Hall at 5:15 p.m. Anyone that would like to attend should call the Engineering office.

### **MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

#### **Employee Recognitions**

JoAnn Oppman, Finance Department                      30 years                      September 5, 1986

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Council President Earll read the City of Marshfield Employee Appreciation Day Proclamation.

### **REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

None

**CC16-171** Motion by Feirer, second by Zaleski to approve the request from Main Street Marshfield for a variance of noise levels as permitted by Chapter 10-33(7) for their Fall Block Party to be held on September 15, 2016 on East 5<sup>th</sup> Street in the 100 block from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Motion carried**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**CC16-172** Motion by Buttke, second by Feddick to receive and place on file, approving all recommended actions for the items listed on the consent agenda. Meeting Minutes/Reports: Fairground Commission of July 7, 2016; Business Improvement District Board of July 20, 2016; Fire & Police Commission of July 21, 2016; Economic Development Board of July 28, 2016; Economic Development Board of August 2, 2016; Marshfield Utility Commission of August 8, 2016 (1. JO#17857-Replace failed single phase underground primary and secondary at 19<sup>th</sup> Street and Butternut Pkwy - \$43,542.00); Fire & Police Commission of August 11, 2016; Board of Public Works of August 15, 2016; Judiciary and License of August 16, 2016; Plan Commission of August 16, 2016; Board of Public Works of August 23, 2016 as read and Finance, Budget, and Personnel Committee of August 23, 2016 as read.

**Motion carried**

No items were removed from the agenda.

**CC16-173** Motion by Earll, second by Spiros to approve Budget Resolution No. 19-2016, transferring \$25,000 from the General Fund Contingency budget to the General Fund Law Enforcement budget, Heroin Prevention Project. Ayes - 10

**Motion carried**

**CC16-174** Motion by Zaleski, second by Hendler to approve Budget Resolution No. 20-2016, transferring \$10,000 from the General Fund Contingency budget to the Taxi Service budget to purchase a 4<sup>th</sup> rear-loading ADA minivan for the City's shared-ride taxi service. Ayes - 10

**Motion carried**

**CC16-175** Motion by Earll, second by Feirer to approve Budget Resolution No. 21-2016, transferring \$5,405 within the Deferred Revenue Law Enforcement Restitution Fund to the Protective Services Contractual Repair and Maintenance Fund for painting the police department's new armored rescue vehicle. Ayes - 10

**Motion carried**

**CC16-176** Motion by Buttke, second by Jockheck to approve Resolution No. 2016-40, exemption from Wood County Library tax.

**Motion carried**

**CC16-177** Motion by Wagner, second by Jockheck to authorize staff to provide the commitment of a \$5,000 pledge in connection to an application from North Central Community Action Program for a Small Business Innovative Research grant under the "Rural Crowdfunding Project" with 2 conditions; 1) Confirmation that the City of Wisconsin Rapids and Wood County are onboard to make their \$5,000 pledges; and 2) Identify the most appropriate funding source for this expense. Ayes – 7; Nays – 3 (Feddick, Zaleski, Spiros)

**Motion carried**

**CC16-178** Motion by Hendler, second by Spiros to authorize including the City's \$1,000,000 contribution to the UW-Marshfield/Wood County STEM project in the Fall 2016 borrowing plan, and direct staff to prepare the required budget resolution for approval on September 13, 2016.

Ayes – 9; Nay – 1 (Wagner)

**Motion carried**

Finance Director Strey gave an overview of the 2017 budget.

City Administrator Barg presented options for renovation and funding Community Center project improvements.

Aldersperson Spiros asked for projected operational costs for the Community Center.

Aldersperson Buttke requested that the next time this is discussed he would like to hear a plan on how this will be financed.

First reading of the appointment of Gary Cummings, 1709 S. Washington Avenue to fill the vacant position on the Committee on Aging. This appointment will expire in 2018.

**CC16-179** Motion by Feirer, second by Earll to suspend the rules and vote on the appointment.

**Motion carried**

**CC16-180** Motion by Feirer, second by Spiros to approve the appointment of Gary Cummings to the Committee on Aging.

**Motion carried**

**CC16-181** Motion by Wagner, second by Zaleski to go into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes, chapter 19.85 (1)(e) "Deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session."

- Development Agreement for project located in TIF District #7.

Roll call vote, all ayes (Time: 8:55 p.m.)

**Motion carried**

Present in closed session: Alderpersons Feirer, Feddick, Jockheck, Earll, Wagner, Witzel, Zaleski, Spiros, Buttke, and Hendler, Mayor Meyer, City Administrator Barg, City Attorney Wolfgram, and City Staff (Jason Angell, Keith Strey, Dan Knoeck, Tom Turchi and Deb Hall).

**CC16-182** Motion by Wagner, second by Zaleski to return to open session. Roll call vote, all ayes (Time: 9:04 p.m.)

**Motion carried**

**CC16-183** Motion by Wagner, second by Zaleski to approve the Development Agreement between the City of Marshfield and Midwest Auto Movers, Inc.

**Motion carried**

**CC16-184** Motion by Feirer, second by Buttke to approve the Early Occupancy Agreement with Midwest Auto Movers, Inc.

**Motion carried**

**CC16-185** Motion by Feirer, second by Spiros to approve the Certified Survey Map.

**Motion carried**

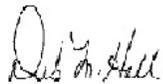
**CC16-186** Motion by Feirer, second by Zaleski to direct staff to counter offer on the purchase of the land.

**Motion carried**

Future Agenda Items

None

There being no further business the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:07 p.m.



Deb M. Hall  
City Clerk