

NOVEMBER 24, 2015

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, Rich Reinart, Gary Cummings, Rebecca Spiros, Tom Buttke and Peter Hendler.

EXCUSED: None

The flag was saluted and the pledge given.

PUBLIC HEARING regarding the proposed 2016 budget.

COMMENTS:

- William Penker, 600 Sycamore Ave. He thanked the Council and staff for putting together a modest budget and he also thanked City Administrator Barg for assembling a readable and easy to understand document. After reading the budget he did find what he considers one frill that he thinks should be eliminated or repurposed. Within the proposed budget for the Economic Development Board there is an allocation of \$7,250 for Main Street Marshfield. It is time for them to stand on their own.

There being no other comments the Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:05 p.m.

No items were added to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None

CC15-282 Motion by Feirer, second by Cummings to approve the minutes of the Common Council meeting of November 10, 2015.

Motion carried

Jennifer Rachu, Human Resources Manager/Assistant to the City Administrator introduced herself to the Council.

STAFF UPDATES

Director of Planning/Economic Development Angell gave an update on the 200 Block project.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Employee Recognition

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| Michael Scherr, Street Division | November 25, 1980 | 35 years |
| David Mattheisen, Police Department | December 3, 1990 | 25 years |

The Mayor announced that they are still looking for alderpersons to volunteer to work Rotary Winter Wonderland on Sunday, December 20th from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

None

REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

None

CONSENT AGENDA

CC15-283 Motion by Feirer, second by Hendler to receive and place on file, approving all recommended actions for the items listed on the consent agenda. Meeting Minutes/Reports: University Commission of August 20, 2015; University Commission Taskforce of September 8, 2015; Convention & Visitors Bureau of September 15, 2015; Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee of September 17, 2015; University Commission Taskforce of September 22, 2015; University Commission Special Meeting of September 24, 2015; University Commission Special Meeting of September 28, 2015; Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee of October 8, 2015; Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Committee of October 8, 2015; University Commission Special Meeting of October 21, 2015; University Commission Special Meeting of October 23, 2015; Airport Committee of October 22, 2015; Economic Development Board of November 2, 2015; Main Street Marshfield of November 4, 2015; Committee on Aging of November 5, 2015; Utility Commission of November 9, 2015 (1. #5723, Painting and reconditioning of 500,000 gallon Grant Park Water Tower at a cost of \$475,000; and 2. #17830, Rebuild 1 phase to replace aging system and copper conductor. Also relocating poles due to bridge construct project on County Rd B., \$31,071); Fire & Police Commission of November 12, 2015; Board of Public Works of November 16, 2015; Judiciary and License Committee of November 17, 2015; Finance, Budget, and Personal of November 17, 2015 (1. Resolution No. 2015-54, writing off uncollectible ambulance accounts; 2. Resolution No. 2015-55, approving the ambulance rate schedule; and 3. Approval of 2016 ambulance contracts with neighboring municipalities; and Plan Commission of November 17, 2015.

Motion carried

No items were removed from the consent agenda.

First reading of Ordinance No. 1323, Municipal Code Amendment Request to amend Chapter 18, General Zoning Ordinance, Sections 18-26 through 18-33, 18-54, and 18-62 pertaining to regulations of satellite dishes, amateur radio facilities, and mobile service facilities such as communication or cell towers, antennas, and related equipment buildings, to comply with 62.23(7)(hf) and 66.0404, Wis. Stats.

First reading of Ordinance No. 1324, Municipal Code Amendment Request to amend Chapter 15, Building Code, Chapter 16, Plumbing Code, Chapter 17, Electrical Code, Chapter 18, Zoning Code, Chapter 19, Subdivision Code, and Chapter 24 Sign Code to replace the listed fees in said Chapters with a reference to the City of Marshfield Fee Schedule.

CC15-284 Motion by Wagner, second by Hendler to approve withdrawing from the Local Government Property Insurance Fund.

Motion carried

CC15-285 Motion by Buttke, second by Wagner to approve the 2016 budget. Ayes – 9; Nay – 1 (Feddick)

Motion carried

CC15-286 Motion by Cummings, second by Jockheck to approve Resolution No. 2015-58, determining and levying the amount to be raised by taxation for city purposes for the 2016 fiscal year. Ayes - 10

Motion carried

CC15-287 Motion by Spiros, second by Reinart to go into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes, chapter 19.85(1)(g) “Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved.”

- Litigation involving liquor license issue – Rear End

And

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.”

- Possible financial assistance for a project located north/east of Becker Road and Hume Avenue

Roll call vote, all ayes. (Time: 7:26 p.m.)

Motion carried

Present in closed session: Alderpersons Feirer, Feddick, Jockheck, Earll, Wagner, Reinart, Cummings, Spiros, Buttke and Hendler, Mayor Meyer, City Administrator Barg, City Attorney Wolfgram, Finance Director Strey, Planning & Economic Development Director Angell, City Engineer Turchi, Police Chief Gramza and City Clerk Hall.

Attorney Remzy Bitar joined the closed session at 8:16 p.m.

Alderson Hendler and Jason Angell left the closed session at 8:16 p.m.

CC15-288 Motion by Wagner, second by Reinart to return to open session. Roll call vote, all ayes. (Time: 9:26 p.m.)

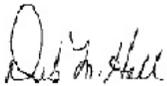
Motion carried

The second Common Council meeting in December will be held on December 15th but if all the information for the agenda is not ready then the meeting will be moved to December 21, 2015.

Future Agenda Items

None

There being no further business the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:28 p.m.



Deb M. Hall
City Clerk