

OCTOBER 13, 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.

No items were added to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Al Kroll, 1407 Arlington Street. Disabled American Veterans, Chapter 57 is dedicating a new van in Marshfield in memory of U.S. Army Staff Sergeant Joe 'Doc' Altmann. He extended an invitation to the dedication ceremony which will be held on Saturday, October 17th at 10:00 a.m. at the Marshfield Public Library. This event is free and open to the public. A reception will follow the ceremony. He thanked Mayor Chris Meyer for proclaiming October 17th as DAV Day for the City of Marshfield. As part of the mission, the DAV offers free rides to all veterans who need to get to and from scheduled VA medical meetings or appointments. In 2009, the DAV stationed one of its' 44 vans in Marshfield at the Aging and Disability Resource Center. The DAV van has provided free rides to thousands of veterans who resided in Marshfield and the surrounding area. If in need of a ride, please call 715-389-0230 or 715-421-8989.

Travis Sherden, 1130 W Blodgett Street. He asked the Council to consider a no vote at this time on the insurance plan that is being presented and/or maybe to continue with the 13% premium pay, which employees are now paying. Alternative ideas that were shared with the Council and City last year to try to reduce costs were having meetings, a buyout plan, shopping around more for insurance and not just using M3 which narrows our window. He was hopeful that there would have been some discussion this year, but unfortunately at the last minute here we have just learned that there is a health insurance plan that is going to be offered again with really no input from the employees. He asked if this agenda item could be tabled until the next meeting, so we could have some further discussion or at least send an inquiry as to why some of those things maybe didn't happen.

Mayor Meyer said some changes to our taxi cab service were talked about a few Council meetings ago including the unified rate as well as elimination of the shuttle service to Tomah and he encouraged the citizens to contact their Alderperson or him before the next Council meeting which is October 26th with any comments they may have in regards to this.

CC15-236 Motion by Feirer, second by Hendler to approve the minutes of the Common Council meeting of September 22, 2015.

Motion carried

CC15-237 Motion by Feirer, second by Reinart to approve the minutes of the Common Council Special meeting of September 30, 2015.

Motion carried

STAFF UPDATES

Police Chief Gramza presented information on the services provided by MAPS.

City Administrator Barg gave an update on the Budget meetings which will be held on October 19, 2015 at 6:00 p.m., October 26, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. and November 2, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. or immediately following the Board of Public Works meeting.

The next Common Council meeting will be held on Monday, October 26, 2015.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

The Mayor recognized the following proclamations:

- a. Cyber Security Month
- b. Domestic Abuse Awareness Month
- c. Walk to School Month
- d. DAV Day

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Aldersperson Feirer – The Committee on Aging thanked all of the vendors and all the people that participated in the Health Fair that was held on October 2, 2015. 264 people attended the Health Fair. He also thanked the Police Department for being there to collect drugs.

REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

None

CONSENT AGENDA

CC15-238 Motion by Wagner, second by Cummings to receive and place on file, approving all recommended actions for the items listed on the consent agenda. Meeting Minutes/Reports: Parks, Recreation & Forestry Committee of August 13, 2015; Cable TV Committee of August 24, 2015; Community Development Authority of August 27, 2015; Zoning Board of Appeals of September 8, 2015; Parks, Recreation & Forestry Committee of September 10, 2015; Community Development Authority Finance & Strategic Planning Meeting of September 15, 2015; Airport Committee of September 24, 2015; Historic Preservation Committee of October 5, 2015; Board of Public Works of October 5, 2015; Judiciary and License Committee of October 6, 2015; and Finance, Budget and Personnel Committee of October 6, 2015.

Motion carried

No items were removed from the consent agenda.

CC15-239 Motion by Wagner, second by Hendler to approve the group health insurance contracts with Security Health Plan for the period from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 for all benefit eligible employees. Nay - Feddick

Motion carried

Item N was removed from the agenda; presentation on the citizen request tracking system.

Second reading of Ordinance No. 1317, Annexation request by Draxler Enterprises, LLC., including a request for 'LI' Light Industrial and "CMU" Community Mixed Use zoning, related to a Petition for Direct Annexation for lands consisting of 69.129 acres to be detached from the Town of Marshfield and annexed to the City of Marshfield; located east of State Highway "13" and north of Heritage Drive, generally described as: part of Certified Survey Map Number's 164, 165, 2098, 7603, 7631 and all of Certified Survey Map Number 9661 and part of the NW ¼ of the SW ¼ and SW ¼ of

the SW ¼ Section 22, Township 25 North, Range 3 East, Town of Marshfield, Wood County, Wisconsin.

CC15-240 Motion by Buttke, second by Earll to approve Ordinance No. 1317. Ayes - 10
Motion carried

Second reading of Ordinance No.1318, creating a joint municipal court with the Village of Spencer.

CC15-241 Motion by Feirer, second by Cummings to approve Ordinance No. 1318. Ayes - 10
Motion carried

CC15-242 Motion by Hendler, second by Spiros to authorize soliciting proposals through the RFP process for redevelopment of City Hall Plaza.
Motion carried

City Administrator Barg gave an update on the plans for Phase 2 of the Library & Community Center project.

CC15-243 Motion by Buttke, second by Spiros 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.

- Possible development within the Tax Incremental District #7.

Roll call vote, all ayes. (Time: 8:21 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, Public Works Director Knoeck and Deputy City Clerk Panzer.

CC15-244 Motion by Wagner, second by Spiros to return to open session. Roll call vote, all ayes. (Time: 8:43 p.m.)

Motion carried

No action was taken in open session regarding the closed session item.

Future Agenda Items

None

There being no further business the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:44 p.m.

Lori A. Panzer
Deputy City Clerk