

SEPTEMBER 12, 2006

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

PRESENT: Michael Feirer, Alanna Feddick, Trish Siegler, Marty Anderson, Ed Wagner, Chris Meyer, Donald Krueger, Tom Buttke and Edward Beaudry, Jr.

ABSENT: John Spiros

The flag was saluted and the pledge given.

Invocation was given by Pastor John Freel, Believers Church.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM MAYOR

In accordance with Municipal Code, Chapter 2. General Government, Sec. 2-08. Display of American flag, it is the discretion of the Mayor that any prominent citizen of the community be recognized by lowering the flag to half mast which he has asked to have done on Friday, September 18th which is the day of Art Schirpke's funeral.

Art Schirpke was the longest-tenured alderman to serve the residents of the City of Marshfield, serving a total of 15 terms. While alderman, he served as the Council President – 1986, Board of Public Works (Chairman for several years), City Plan Commission, Industrial Park Authority, Judiciary, License & Cemetery Committee, Airport Committee, Parks, Recreation & Forestry Committee, Community Development Authority, Legislative Committee, Fair Commission, CW State Fair Association Board, Electrical Board, Committee on Aging, Senior Citizens Committee, Board of Health

The Mayor had the distinct honor to be seated next to Art during city council meetings for 11 of the 14 years he served as alderman. He was able to witness first hand how Art would go about working several of his pet projects through council consideration. He was elected by the people in his neighborhood, and felt a sincere obligation to work for them to get things done, and to represent the thoughts of his constituents through deliberations of several important issues. His love for and his understanding of public works projects and the public works department itself is evident in the fact that he served each of his 30 years on the city council on the Board of Public Works. Along the way, he picked up the affectionate nick-name "Fighting Art", yet he was best known for going about business in a personable and deliberate manner until the issue was eventually solved.

Art Schirpke was a true public servant. It was a very difficult personal decision for him to make when he finally announced he was going to retire from the city council, because he loved the job so much. His contributions to making Marshfield a better community will be felt by generations of residents to come. For those who had the opportunity to know and to work closely with him, he will be truly missed from our presence.

Word to the Wise: "It's what you learn after you know it all that counts". John Wooden

CC06-282 Motion by Feirer, second by Siegler to approve the minutes of the Common Council meeting of August 22, 2006. All Ayes

Motion carried

No items were added to the agenda.

CC06-283 Motion by Feddick, second by Anderson to grant the variance and waive the \$100 fee for Faith Fellowship, 1606 N. St. Joseph Ave., for a variance of noise levels as permitted by Chapter 10-33(7) for “Pre-Pole Rally”, Tuesday, September 26, 2006 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in Columbia Park. All Ayes

Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None

CC06-284 Motion by Buttke, second by Beaudry to hold over the election of one person to the Marshfield Utility Commission for the 5 year term beginning October 1, 2006 and ending September 30, 2011. Nelson A. Moffat and Robert Remington have sent Mayor Meyers letters of interest. All Ayes

Motion carried

CC06-285 Motion by Beaudry, second by Buttke to grant an extension for the compliance to the noise ordinance to Weiler Convenience Store for their car wash at 600 N. Central Ave. until the September 26th Council meeting. The car wash is prohibited from operating from the hours of 10:00 p.m. to 7 a.m.

Wayne Weiler stated that Premier Drying Systems are working on new fans for the blowers, which should be installed on the 13th. They are about 10 decibels quieter than the old dryers. He asked for a couple of more days to get the dryers installed. There will still be a problem with the decibels at night. He did readings at the other car washes in town. Kwik Trip is between 75 and 77 decibels and Baltus on the south end was between 74 and 75 decibels. They are both over the nighttime requirements. The manufacturing businesses are over also.

Vote on motion **CC06-285**; All Ayes

Motion carried

MINUTES OF GOVERNING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

CC06-286 Motion by Anderson, second by Siegler to receive and place on file the minutes of the Community Development Authority of August 3, 2006; Library Board of August 8, 2006; and Marshfield Utility Commission of August 16, 2006. All Ayes

Motion carried

MINUTES OF ADVISORY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

CC06-287 Motion by Feddick, second by Feirer to approve the minutes of the Convention and Visitor Bureau of July 27, 2006; Business Improvement District Board of August 24, 2006; and the Industrial Park Authority of September 5, 2006. All Ayes

Motion carried

MINUTES OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

CC06-288 Motion by Meyer, second by Feddick to approve the minutes of the Airport Committee of August 24, 2006. All Ayes

Motion carried

CC06-289 Motion by Feddick, second by Wagner to approve the minutes of the Cable TV Committee of August 28, 2006. All Ayes

Motion carried

CC06-290 Motion by Feirer, second by Meyer to approve the minutes of the Board of Public Works of September 5, 2006. All Ayes

Motion carried

CC06-291 Motion by Feddick, second by Siegler to approve the minutes of the Finance, Budget, and Personnel Committee of September 5, 2006. All Ayes

Motion carried

CC06-292 Motion by Krueger, second by Wagner to approve the minutes of the Judiciary, License and Cemetery Committee of September 5, 2006. All Ayes

Motion carried

CC06-293 Motion by Feirer, second by Wagner to approve the minutes of the Judiciary, License, and Cemetery Committee of September 12, 2006 as read.

Mike Brehm stated the reference to Mike Feirer in the "Others Present" should not be as Alderman, but representing the American Legion.

Vote on motion **CC06-293**; All Ayes

Motion Carried

MINUTES OF COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS

CC06-294 Motion by Feddick, second by Siegler to receive and place on file the minutes from the Central Wisconsin State Fair Board of July 17, 2006 and Central Wisconsin State Fair Board of August 21, 2006.

Alanna Feddick stated she was present at the August 21, 2006 meeting. She is shown in the minutes as being absent.

Vote on motion **CC06-294**; All Ayes

Motion carried

CC06-295 Motion by Feirer, second by Feddick to approve the minutes of the Mill Creek Business Park Covenant Committee of August 22, 2006. All Ayes

Motion carried

CC06-296 Motion by Anderson, second by Buttke to approve the minutes of the Sustainable Marshfield Committee of August 28, 2006. All Ayes

Motion Carried

CC06-297 Motion by Feddick, second by Wagner to approve revised Ordinance 1072, attaching certain lands from the Town of McMillan, Marathon County, Wisconsin to the City of Marshfield, Wisconsin.

Alderman Beaudry asked why the name of the street needed to be changed. Dan Knoeck responded that the Prairie Run Development extended Cherney Ave to the north and turns to the west to Lincoln Ave. There is approximately ½ mile of street in the development known as Pheasant Run Drive. Cherney Ave is a 400 foot street which was recently annexed in to the City of Marshfield. The city can't have the same street with the two names. The recommendation was to use the street name of the longer portion which was Pheasant Run Drive. Alderman Anderson asked if the name could be used again, Dan Knoeck stated that would be a possibility.

Vote on motion CC06-297; All Ayes

Motion carried

CC06-298 Motion by Feddick, second by Anderson to approve Ordinance 1078, amending Section 3-10 of the Municipal Code of the City of Marshfield and creating Ward 34 in the Second Aldermanic District. All Ayes

Motion carried

CC06-299 Motion by Feirer, second by Buttke to approve Ordinance 1079, repealing Section 18-31(4) to remove the schedule of fees from the ordinance text. All Ayes

Motion carried

CC06-300 Motion by Feirer, second by Siegler to approve Ordinance 1080, amending Section 18-63 of the Municipal Code to add "car wash" as a conditional use and excepting "car wash" as a permitted use in certain commercial zoning districts. All Ayes

Motion carried

CC06-301 Motion by Wagner, second by Meyer to approve Charter Ordinance 24, changing the term of office for the City Clerk to four years. Anderson voted Naye, rest Ayes

Motion carried

First Reading of Ordinance No. 1081, pertaining to chronic nuisance premises.

CC06-302 Motion by Feirer, second by Feddick to approve Resolution No. 2006-38, adopting the 2007 Operating Plan for the Downtown Marshfield Business Improvement District. All Ayes

Motion carried

CC06-303 Motion by Feddick, second by Meyer to approve Resolution No. 2006-40, acknowledging acceptance of an improvement project under the Wisconsin "Airport Runway Marking Program." All Ayes

Motion carried

CC06-304 Motion by Anderson, second by Beaudry to approve Resolution No. 2006-41, approving and accepting a Certified Survey Map and dedication of public right-of-way for Tiny Tigers Court. All Ayes

Motion carried

CC06-305 Motion by Buttke, second by Beaudry to approve Resolution No. 15-2006, transferring \$5,000 from the Contingency account to the Building Services & Inspection account to complete clean up of property at 606 East Becker Road. All Ayes

Motion carried

CC06-306 Motion by Siegler, second by Feddick to include \$2,900 in the 2007 Information Technology budget to establish e-mail accounts for all Common Council members.

Alderman Meyer stated that a month ago the Council was asked to approve a pay increase for this department that the money was to be taken out of the existing department's fund. That wasn't approved, but now when asked for \$2,900 it needs to come out of the contingency funds. City Administrator Brehm stated the pay increase cost to implement would be about \$5,500. Since that time, two events have happened that were unbudgeted; an increase in the telephone budget for the last quarter which is approximately \$800 a month and an unexpected repair of one piece of equipment at an estimated cost of \$500.

Alderman Krueger asked what the purpose of this e-mail account was. Dan Wolfgram responded that the request was made by various council members and this will establish e-mail accounts on the city's system which will be accessed by the web.

Alderman Meyer stated it was to create consistent e-mail accounts that citizens can remember. It was done in an effort for citizens to get in touch with their alderman.

Administrator Brehm stated this would also protect the Council members on the open records requests. By using this account, it would be strictly city business.

Alderman Feddick requested that the City Attorney write a memo to the Council members so they know the e-mail policy and can communicate effectively as council members with no issues such as a walking quorum. Administrator Brehm stated he will work with the City Attorney to get the information to her.

Alderman Wagner asked what the money was to be spent on. Dan Wolfgram responded that it is for 10 client access licenses for our server, 10 client access licenses for an exchange client. A mail archiver for exchange and a security certificate so that the information can be secured. Alderman Meyer asked about their current certificate. Wolfgram responded that we are not using it for remote access except on an emergency basis; currently we host the certificate internally.

Vote on motion **CC06-306**; Feirer voted Naye, rest Ayes

Motion carried

Motion by Feddick, second by Meyer to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

Motion carried

Amy Krogman
Mayor's Secretary