NOVEMBER 28, 2006

PUBLIC HEARING: Called to order by Mayor Meyers at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, City Hall Plaza regarding the proposed 2007 Budget.

FOR: No One
AGAINST: No One

The public hearing closed at 6:32 p.m.

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, John Spiros, Tom Buttke and Edward Beaudry, Jr.
ABSENT: None

The flag was saluted and the pledge given.

Invocation was given by Pastor Stan Conrad, Calvary Bible Church.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM MAYOR
Word to the Wise: Our dilemma is that we hate change and love it at the same time; what we really want is for things to remain the same but get better. Author: Sydney Harris

CC06-387 Motion by Meyer, second by Wagner to approve the minutes of the Common Council special meeting of November 6, 2006. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-388 Motion by Feirer, second by Anderson to approve the minutes of the Common Council meeting of November 14, 2006. All Ayes
Motion carried

No items were added to the agenda.

Acting Fire Chief Ed Erickson presented Eric Lang, Firefighter with his badge. Mr. Lang completed his probationary period.

A retirement recognition was held for Mr. Richard Wein, who began his employment with the City of Marshfield Fire and Rescue Department on September 23, 1983 and retired as a Firefighter on November 19, 2006 after over 23 years of service. Former Fire Chief Gregg Cleveland presented Mr. Wein with a plaque and certificate.

City Administrator Brehm recognized Keith R. Strey, Finance Director, who received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting award from the Government Finance Officers Association.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
Director of Public Works Dan Knoeck announced that a Public Information meeting on the South Central Avenue Reconstruction Project would be held on Wednesday, November 29, 2006 from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Alderperson Buttke announced that the dedication of the Veteran's Parkway Mural Project on the Max Phillips building would be held on December 7, 2006 at 3:30 p.m..

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
City Administrator Brehm gave a report on the following:

1. Financial Software Update

MINUTES OF GOVERNING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
CC06-389 Motion by Krueger, second by Spiros to receive and place on file the minutes of the University Commission of September 21, 2006; Zoning Board of Appeals of October 10, 2006 and October 17, 2006 special meeting and Marshfield Utility Commission of November 13, 2006. All Ayes
Motion carried

MINUTES OF ADVISORY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES
CC06-390 Motion by Meyer, second by Spiros to approve the minutes of the Plan Commission of November 21, 2006. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-391 Motion by Feirer, second by Spiros to approve the minutes of the Convention and Visitors Bureau of November 8, 2006. All Ayes
Motion carried

MINUTES OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES
CC06-392 Motion by Feirer, second by Beaudry to approve the minutes of the Committee on Aging of November 7, 2006. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-393 Motion by Siegler, second by Feddick to approve the minutes of the Committee on Youth of November 15, 2006. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-394 Motion by Buttke, second by Meyer to approve the minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Committee of November 16, 2006. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-395 Motion by Wagner, second by Beaudry to thank all the people who were responsible for getting the Veterans Trail project completed. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-396 Motion by Meyer, second by Feddick to approve the minutes of the Airport Committee of November 16, 2006. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-397 Motion by Feirer, second by Meyer to approve the minutes of the Board of Public Works of November 20, 2006. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-398 Motion by Anderson, second by Siegler to approve the minutes of the Finance, Budget and Personnel Committee of November 21, 2006. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-399 Motion by Beaudry, second by Wagner to approve the minutes of the Judiciary, License and Cemetery Committee of November 21, 2006. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-400 Motion by Feddick, second by Meyer to approve December 19, 2006 as the date for the second Council meeting in December starting at 6:00 p.m. All Ayes
Motion Carried

Second reading of Ordinance No. 1090, pertaining to a fee increase for dog and cat licenses.

CC06-401 Motion by Feddick, second by Buttke to approve Ordinance No. 1090. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-402 Motion by Feddick, second by Feirer to approve Resolution No. 2006-53, writing off various uncollectible ambulance accounts receivable totaling $18,495.98. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-403 Motion by Feddick, second by Beaudry to approve Resolution No. 2006-56, writing off various uncollectible non-ambulance accounts receivable totaling $15,898.43. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-404 Motion by Siegler, second by Wagner to approve Budget Resolution No. 22-2006, transferring $8,500 from the Storm Sewer Construction Fund South Vine Avenue Detention Basin Project to the Airport budget. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-405 Motion by Feddick, second by Meyer to approve Resolution No. 2006-58, petitioning the Secretary of Transportation for Airport Improvement Aid. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-406 Motion by Anderson, second by Feirer to approve Budget Resolution No. 21-2006, transferring $27,300 within the Convention and Visitors Bureau fund to finance a fourth Marshfield Welcome sign. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-407 Motion by Meyer, second by Buttke to hold over until the December 12, 2006 meeting, the appointment of Mr. Josh Hansen, 1101 S. Cedar Avenue to the Cable TV Committee to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Donna Rozar, ending in April, 2008. All Ayes
Motion carried

City Administrator recommended some changes to the 2007 budget. There is a need to have a dedicated room at City Hall for training purposes. Staff evaluated areas within the City Hall Plaza building and determined that there is some vacant room in the former PDC space on floor 1R. An estimated cost to remodel this space for a permanent training room would be $15,122.

Subsequent to the November 6th special Council meeting on the 2007 budget another police officer resigned. The estimated savings between this individual and a first year patrolman is $8,378. The 2007 budget includes an appropriation to finance the fire chief's position for the entire year. This position most definitely will not be filled until after February 2007. Therefore, one month of salary could be deducted from the 2007 budget totaling $6,744.

$10,115 was added into the Finance budget for health insurance at the Council's November 6th special budget meeting. At that time a decision had not been made as to whether the employee was going to participate in the city's plan. This particular employee has decided not to participate in the city's plan in 2007, so he recommended that the Finance budget be reduced by $10, 115. This money could be used to: 1) increase an expenditure account, such as the contingency or some other account; 2) reduce the fund balance that was applied; or 3) reduce the levy and the rate.

The following are the recommended changes to the 2007 budget:

EXPENDITURES:	**Increase**	**Decrease**
IT Department:		
101.51450..5250	$15,122	
Fire Protection:		
101.52210..5111		$ 6,744
Law Enforcement:		
101.52110..5111		$ 5,429
101.52110..5121		$ 660
101.52110..5122		$ 177
101.52110..5151		$ 927
101.52110..5152		$ 320
101.52110..5153		$ 479
101.52110..5156		$ 183
101.52110..5157		$ 203
	$15,122	$15,122

CC06-408 Motion by Buttke, second by Feirer to approve the Administrator's recommended changes in the amount of $15,122. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-409 Motion by Beaudry, second by Spiros to reduce the Finance Budget by $10,115 and increase the Contingency Fund by the same amount. Feddick, Siegler, Anderson, Wagner and Meyer voted Naye, Feirer, Krueger, Spiros, Buttke and Beaudry voted Aye. Mayor Meyers broke the tie and voted Naye.
Motion failed

CC06-410 Motion by Wagner, second by Anderson to reduce the Finance Budget by $10,115 and reduce the fund balance applied by the same amount. Feirer voted Naye, rest Aye.
Motion carried

CC06-411 Motion by Feirer, second by Siegler to approve Resolution No. 2006-57 as amended, determining and levying the amount to be raised by taxation for City purposes for the 2007 fiscal year. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC06-412 Motion by Krueger, second by Meyer 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; specifically, the City Administrator had requested a closed session to discuss the Green Roof Investments, LLP & et al. lawsuit. Roll call vote, all Ayes. (Time: 7:55 p.m.)
Motion carried

Present in closed session: Alderpersons Feirer, Feddick, Siegler, Anderson, Wagner, Meyer, Krueger, Spiros, Buttke and Beaudry, Administrator Brehm, Mayor Meyers, Attorneys Hutchinson and Wolfgram, Finance Director Strey, Dir. of Public Works Knoeck, City Engineer Turchi and City Clerk Hall.

CC06-413 Motion by Krueger, second by Spiros to return to open session. Roll call vote, all Ayes. (Time: 8:26 p.m.)
Motion carried

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

Motion by Feddick, second by Krueger to adjourn at 8:28 p.m.
Motion carried

Deb M. Hall
City Clerk