SEPTEMBER 22, 2009

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, Dave LaFontaine, Gordon H. Earll, Ed Wagner, Donald Krueger, Tom Buttke and Pete Hendler.
ABSENT: Russell Stauber and John Spiros

The flag was saluted and the pledge given.

No invocation was given.

CC09-359 Motion by Hendler, second by Buttke to approve the minutes of the Common Council meeting of September 8, 2009. All Ayes
Motion carried

Item H-1; Noise Variance request from Central Wisconsin State Fair for the Badger State Dirtflinger Wisconsin State Championship Pull and Item V-1; Appointment of Brian Sauer to the Cable TV Committee, was added to the agenda.

EMPLOYEE MILESTONE RECOGNITION

Terry Christensen, Wastewater	October 9, 1979	30 years of service

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Alderperson LaFontaine said that he participated in the Fire Ops 101 course along with other elected officials in the area. The program was presented by volunteers of the local unions from Marshfield, Merrill, Stevens Point and Wisconsin Rapids. He was especially impressed with the cooperation of the firefighters, chiefs, deputy chiefs, and training personnel of the participating departments. All members of the participating departments are to be commended for providing educational tips and a safe environment in which to learn about the challenges our firefighters are faced with in the performance of their duties. It was a mind opening experience to learn what it is like to wear 70 – 80 lbs. of gear in a warm and sometimes hot environment. It gave him and the other participants a better appreciation of our firefighters. We, the taxpayers of the area, can be proud of the public/private partnership and the volunteers that constructed the training facilities. This facility is so awesome that many trainers of firefighters from across the nation are coming to Marshfield to observe our facility and participate in firefighter training. Thank you firefighters of Marshfield, Merrill, Stevens Point and Wisconsin Rapids for a very educational day. It has made us much more appreciative of you heroes and the challenges you face in your occupation.

Alderperson Earll announced that on Saturday, October 3rd, the Green Living and Energy Expo will be held at Mid-State Technical College from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., sponsored by the Sustainable Marshfield Committee.

CC09-360 Motion by Feddick, second by Feirer to grant the request from the Central Wisconsin State Fair for a variance of noise levels as permitted by Chapter 10-33(7) for the Badger State Dirtflinger Wisconsin State Championship Pull at the Marshfield Fairgrounds Park, 513 E. 17th Street, on Friday, September 25, 2009 from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. and on Saturday, September 26, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. All Ayes
Motion carried

Discussion of bids received for Fire Station Bid Package #2.

Bid Package 2.13 – Signage; 2.14 – Flagpole; and 2.15 – Window Treatments will be bid as an FF&E item (Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment).

Alderperson Feddick commented that she can't see why they can't wait for about three months until we know about the awarding of the stimulus money. This is not the bidding process that she would have expected to come in so much over budget. She can't be in favor of this since it exceeds the budget.

Mayor Meyer said that there will be an additional cost if they extend the bids.

Tony Meeuwsen, Boldt Construction, stated that the additional cost would be approximately $55,065. The cost which would incur additional winter conditions to extend the acceptance of these bids until December 17, 2009 and then they would start after that. They were pleased with the overall bid results in that the numbers that they opened and read last Thursday were less than the budget that was established for the building. They did see the results that they expected or maybe even better than they expected for the building itself.

Fire Chief Schmidt added that this averages out to be about $165 sq./ft. which is substantially less than what they anticipated.

Alderperson Wagner said that the minute that they accept the bids and award the contracts, any possibility of the grant money is completely gone. He doesn't want to incur any extra costs on this project but what he would like to do is have the Council give the Administrator and Fire Chief the authority to act on approving these bids and executing the contracts if they hear within the 30 days that were originally in the bid package and the alternate of extending it to 60 days that the city didn't receive the stimulus money and with a final drop dead date of December 17, 2009. He doesn't want to foreclose any possibility until he knows that it is a certainty.

Alderperson Feirer commented that at the June or July meeting when the first bids came in and the Council approved them, they made an effort to say that September 17th would be our drop dead date. The bids are not going to change in 90 days. Our chances of getting the stimulus money is probably slim to none and you are going to spend $55,000 more to find out that you are not going to get any stimulus money. It's time that we stop talking about drop dead dates. If you wait 90 days you are going to spend $55,000 more and put us into a winter construction start.

Alderperson Krueger doesn't believe that we are going to get the stimulus money. By waiting it is going to cost the taxpayers $55,000 more.

CC09-361 Motion by LaFontaine, second by Feirer to approve the bids as recommended by Boldt for Fire Station Bid Package #2, excluding bid categories 2.13 – Signage; 2.14 – Flagpole; and 2.15 – Window Treatments and authorize staff to execute the contracts. Feddick and Wagner voted Naye; rest Aye.
Motion carried

Fire Chief Schmidt explained that the proposed basement is a partial basement. It encompasses about 4,046 ft. which equates into a cost of about $45.00 sq./ft. The basement will be used for shelter, future expansion and storage.

Alderperson LaFontaine agreed with building the basement. You don't build a home without a basement. This basement would provide a possible shelter for anybody in case a serious event happened.

CC09-362 Motion by LaFontaine, second by Earll to approve the alternate bid for a partial basement as recommended by Boldt and authorize staff to execute the contracts. Feddick and Wagner voted Naye; rest Aye.
Motion carried

CC09-363 Motion by Krueger, second by LaFontaine to approve the alternate bid for bi-fold doors on the south side of the building as recommended by Boldt and authorize staff to execute the contracts. Feddick and Wagner voted Naye; rest Aye.
Motion carried

CC09-364 Motion by Buttke, second by LaFontaine to approve the alternate bid for concrete vs. asphalt for the south driveway as recommended by Boldt and authorize staff to execute the contracts. Feddick, Wagner and Krueger voted Naye; rest Aye.
Motion carried

A presentation was given by Paul Ehrfurth, of Paul W. Ehrfurth & Associates, LLC regarding "Benchmark Findings and Program and Policy Recommendations".

MINUTES OF GOVERNING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
CC09-365 Motion by Wagner, second by LaFontaine to receive and place on file the minutes of the University Center Commission of May 20, 2009; Fire and Police Commission of September 3, 2009 and Marshfield Utility Commission of September 14, 2009. All Ayes
Motion carried

MINUTES OF ADVISORY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES
CC09-366 Motion by Feddick, second by Buttke to approve the minutes of the Historic Preservation Committee of September 9, 2009 and Plan Commission of September 15, 2009. All Ayes
Motion carried

MINUTES OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES
CC09-367 Motion by Feirer, second by Buttke to approve the minutes of the Committee on Aging of September 3, 2009. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC09-368 Motion by Earll, second by Feirer to approve the minutes of the Sustainable Marshfield Committee of September 8, 2009. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC09-369 Motion by Buttke, second by Feirer to approve the minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Committee of September 10, 2009. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC09-370 Motion by Wagner, second by LaFontaine to approve the minutes of the Board of Public Works of September 14, 2009. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC09-371 Motion by Feddick, second by Wagner to approve the minutes of the Judiciary, License and Cemetery Committee of September 15, 2009. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC09-372 Motion by Earll, second by Feddick to approve the minutes of the Airport Committee of September 17, 2009. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC09-373 Motion by LaFontaine, second by Feirer to approve the minutes of the Board of Public Works of September 21, 2009 as read by the Director of Public Works. Feddick voted Naye; rest Aye.
Motion carried

CC09-374 Motion by Hendler, second by Feddick to approve the minutes of the Finance, Budget and Personnel Committee of September 22, 2009 as read by the Clerk. All Ayes
Motion carried

MINUTES OF COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS
CC09-375 Motion by Feddick, second by Buttke to receive and place on file the minutes of the Central Wisconsin State Fair Association of August 17, 2009. All Ayes
Motion carried

First reading of Ordinance No. 1158, amending Section 18-35(2) of the City of Marshfield Municipal Code, pertaining to variance findings.

CC09-376 Motion by Feddick, second by Hendler to approve Resolution No. 2009-35, adopting an ambulance rate schedule to be effective January 1, 2010. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC09-377 Motion by Buttke, second by Feirer to approve Resolution No. 2009-36, request to submit application for Wisconsin Urban Forestry Grant. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC09-378 Motion by Buttke, second by Feirer to approve Budget Resolution No. 21-2009, transferring $4,300 from a State of Wisconsin Funding Assistance Act 102 grant to the Emergency Services Fund for purchase of a MedVault drug cabinet and a Kendrix Traction device. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC09-379 Motion by Feddick, second by Earll to move the first Common Council meeting in October from October 13, 2009 to October 12, 2009. All Ayes
Motion carried

Police Chief Stroik gave an update of the Marshfield Deer Management Plan.

CC09-380 Motion by Feirer, second by LaFontaine to suspend the rules and vote on the appointment of Shari Steczynski to the Convention and Visitors Bureau. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC09-381 Motion by Feirer, second by Krueger to approve the appointment of Shari Steczynski, 1604 E. Upham Street to the Convention and Visitors Bureau to fill the unexpired term of Terry Anderson who has resigned. All Ayes
Motion carried

CC09-382 Motion by Buttke, second by Wagner to hold over to the October 12, 2009 Council meeting, the appointment of Brian Sauer, 603 S. Cherry Street to the Cable TV Committee to fill the unexpired term of Jim Asplin who has resigned. All Ayes
Motion carried

Motion by LaFontaine, second by Krueger to adjourn at 8:48 p.m. All Ayes
Motion carried

Deb M. Hall
City Clerk