OCTOBER 11, 2010

PUBLIC HEARING: Called to order by Mayor Meyer at 6:55 p.m., in the Council Chambers, City Hall Plaza regarding:

Project No. 311850 – West 13th Street (Central Avenue to Chestnut Avenue) – Street Reconstruction
Project No. 316709 – West 13th Street (Central Avenue to Chestnut Avenue) – Storm Sewer
Project No. 311847 – West 7th Street (Central Avenue to Chestnut Avenue) & Park Street (7th Street to 200 feet west) – Street Reconstruction
Project No. 316708 – West 7th Street (Central Avenue to Chestnut Avenue) & Park Street (7th Street to 200 feet west) – Storm Sewer
Project No. 351848 – West 7th Street (Central Avenue to Chestnut Avenue) & Park Street (7th Street to 200 feet west) – Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation
Project No. 312090 – Highland Avenue (6th Street to 8th Street) Asphalt removal and asphalt paving

FOR: None
AGAINST: None

The public hearing closed at 6:57 p.m.

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, Russell Stauber, Gary Cummings, John Spiros, Tom Buttke and Pete Hendler
ABSENT: None

The flag was saluted and the pledge given.

Invocation was given by Dr. Qazim Raza, Muslin Community.

CC10-405 Motion by Hendler, second by Spiros to approve the minutes of the Common Council meeting of September 28, 2010 and October 5, 2010 special meeting.
Motion carried

No items were added to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
Dave Wille, 512 S. Cypress Avenue. He spoke about the smoking ordinance, Ordinance No. 1183. There are two concerns that he would like addressed. 1) He would like someone to state for the record that this proposed change, if the State does repeal the State law or does a partial repeal down in Madison, that we would keep our smoke-free protection in Marshfield; and 2) Explain why this change is being made.

CONSENT AGENDA
CC10-406 Motion by Wagner, second by Feirer to approve the items as listed on the consent agenda. Minutes: Committee on Health Ad Hoc Committee (August 30, 2010); Community Development Authority (September 2, 2010); Committee on Health Ad Hoc Committee (September 8, 2010); Historic Preservation Committee (September 13, 2010); Library Board (September 14, 2010); Convention & Visitors Bureau (September 15, 2010); Blue Sky Steering Committee

(September 16, 2010); Central Wisconsin State Fair Board (September 20, 2010); Airport Committee (September 23, 2010); Committee on Aging (September 30, 2010); Airport Committee Special Meeting (October 1, 2010); Historic Preservation Committee (October 4, 2010); Board of Public Works (October 4, 2010); Judiciary, License, and Cemetery (October 5, 2010); Finance, Budget, and Personnel (October 5, 2010). Reports: MACCI Business Plan Benchmark Report of September 2010.
Motion carried

No items were removed from the consent agenda.

CC10-407 Motion by LaFontaine, second by Feirer to approve the employment contract with Steve Barg appointing him to the position of City Administrator effective January 17, 2011 and authorize staff to execute the same. Ayes-10
Motion carried

Second reading of Ordinance No. 1189, amending sewer service charges and amending provisions regarding holding tank service charges, portable toilet waste, and septic tank waste.

CC10-408 Motion by Buttke, second by Spiros to approve Ordinance No. 1189. Ayes-10
Motion carried

Mayor Meyer announced that the City of Marshfield Public Works Department received an award from the American Concrete Paving Association. The Central Avenue Project was selected as the Gold winner in the Municipal Streets and Intersections category.

He congratulated Finance Director Keith Strey for completing the Public Management Essentials Certificate program.

He also congratulated Deputy Fire Chief Roy Dolens for completing the Certified Fire Investigator Program (CFI). Currently there are only two certified fire investigators in Wood County and they both work in the City of Marshfield. They are Firefighter/Paramedic Troy Weiland and now Deputy Fire Chief Roy Dolens.

First reading of Ordinance No. 1183, amending Section 11-11, smoking prohibited.

Attorney Hutchinson stated that by adopting Ordinance No. 1183, if the State legislature later repeals the existing state law, our law would remain in effect. The only exception to that is if for some reason the language at the State level turned out to be challenged for constitutionality or something like that, if the law was overturned at the State level for that reason, since our Ordinance is verbatim, ours would be overturned.

We want to be consistent with the State law. There are certain ambiguities with the State law, we have all acknowledged that but we can't say that the current section 11-11 doesn't have its own ambiguities. At least in that respect we would be consistent if there is a need to change something because an ambiguity is cleared up at the State level. We can always proceed to adopt a change to our ordinance.

CC10-409 Motion by Cummings, second by Hendler to approve Final Resolution No. 2010-46, Project No. 311850 & 316709 – Street reconstruction on West 13th Street (Central Avenue to Chestnut Avenue). Ayes-10
Motion carried

CC10-410 Motion by Spiros, second by Cummings to approve Final Resolution No. 2010-47, Project No. 311847, 316708 and 351848 – Street reconstruction on West 7th Street (Central Avenue to Chestnut Avenue) and Park Street (7th Street to 200 feet west). Ayes-10
Motion carried

CC10-411 Motion by LaFontaine, second by Spiros to approve Final Resolution No. 2010-49, Project No. 312090 – Milling and overlay of Highland Avenue from 6th Street to 8th Street. Ayes-10
Motion carried

CC10-412 Motion by Stauber, second by Cummings to approve Budget Resolution No. 26-2010, transferring funds to complete various energy efficiency projects. Ayes-10
Motion carried

Finance Directory Strey presented the recommended 2011 City Budget and Work Programs. The 2011 budget is an aggressive budget based upon sound fiscal management policies and proven strategies. The recommended budget meets the 2011 budget parameter, the State's expenditure restraint program, the State's levy limit restrictions and State Emergency Service maintenance of effort requirements. The total 2011 budget for all city funds is $41,029,163. This is an increase of $718,756, or 1.8% over the originally adopted 2010 budget, as amended, of $40,790,652. This increase comes primarily from personal services ($636,707) and contractual services ($257,662). This budget reflects the cost of providing basic services and an aggressive economic development program. The city tax rate necessary to finance the recommended 2011 budget is $9.39 with TIF.

The budget meetings have been scheduled for October 18, October 25 and November 1, 2010. The meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by LaFontaine, second by Spiros to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.
Motion carried

Deb M. Hall
City Clerk