

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2012 – 7:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

Mayor Connors called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Tolar.

Roll Call. Present: Aldermen Hougen, Wall, Mott, Hill, Kehoe, Kupsik, Krohn and Tolar. Also present: Administrator Jordan, City Attorney Draper and City Clerk Hawes.

Awards, Presentations, and Proclamations. None.

Re-consider business from previous meeting. None.

Comments from the public as allowed by Wis. Stats. §19.84(2), limited to items on this agenda, except for public hearing items. Comments will be limited to 5 minutes.

Terry O’Neill, 954 George St., Lake Geneva, spoke about the petition for direct legislation regarding citizen parking stickers. He asked why the City Attorney issued a confidential memorandum to the Council on this item. Mr. O’Neill asked that at least one of the Council members vote to approve the proposed direct legislation.

Acknowledgement of Correspondence.

City Clerk Hawes announced the City received a letter from Terry O’Neill, 954 George St., Lake Geneva, dated October 3, 2012 asking the City Council to reconsider its vote on the petition for direct legislation regarding handicapped parking.

Copies of the correspondence are on file in the City Clerk’s office.

Approval of Minutes

Wall/Hougen motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 24, 2012, as published and distributed. Unanimously carried.

Consent Agenda

Original “Class B”/Class “B” Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage License Application filed by Geneva Bay Club, LLC d/b/a Maxwell Mansion, 421 Baker Street, Lake Geneva, Charles Andrew Fritz, Agent

Original 2012-2013 Operator License applications filed by Chad J. VanSwol, Emily K. Hall-Slapp, Megan L. Schroeder, Heather E. Boggs, Elizabeth K. Jacob, Elisa C. Brown, Helen A. Sapieka, Amanda L. Luerssen and Zachary A. Kamin

Kupsik/Kehoe motion to approve the items on the consent agenda. Unanimously carried.

Items Removed from the Consent Agenda. None.

Discussion/Action on a petition for direct legislation for an ordinance to designate a “Citizen Parking Sticker”

Hougen/Krohn motion to neither adopt nor send the petition for direct legislation to referendum. Alderman Hougen said he wasn’t sure if the parking sticker issue was administrative or legislative. He said he would rather leave this item alone. Alderman Kehoe reiterated that we currently have a 2-hour resident parking sticker.

Roll Call: Hougen, Wall, Mott, Hill, Kehoe and Kupsik voted “yes.” Krohn and Tolar voted “no.” Motion carried by vote of 6 to 2.

Acceptance of water main easement connecting Platt Avenue to the former Hillcrest Subdivision

Kupsik/Wall motion to accept the water main easement connecting Platt Avenue to the former Hillcrest Subdivision. Mayor Connors said the easement would be used to create a second water path to Hillcrest in case there was a water main break. Administrator Jordan added that the Utility Commission tries to loop its system so that service can be provided in the event of water main breaks. Unanimously carried.

Finance, License and Regulation Committee Recommendations – Alderman Hill

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 12-R65, a budget amendment transferring \$35,000.00 for the purchase of one Ford F-550 truck that will include a chipper and a plow

Hill/Hougen motion to approve. Alderman Hill said this purchase was approved at the last Council meeting. The resolution would merge the two capital line items necessary to purchase the one truck with a chipper and plow.

Roll Call: Hougen, Wall, Mott, Hill, Kehoe, Kupsik, Krohn and Tolar voted “yes.” Unanimously carried.

Resolution 12-R66, designating a dog swimming area near the West End Pier

Hill/Kupsik motion to approve. Alderman Hill said this was recommended at the joint meeting of the Piers and Harbors Committee and the Board of Park Commissioners meeting.

Roll Call: Hougen, Wall, Mott, Hill, Kehoe, Kupsik, Krohn and Tolar voted “yes.” Unanimously carried.

Resolution 12-R67, amending the City Attorney wages as approved in the 2012 budget, to be effective May 1, 2012

Hill/Tolar motion to approve. Alderman Hill said the increase to the City Attorney’s wages was approved as part of the 2012 budget process however it was inadvertently left out of the resolution for elected officials that was approved earlier this year. The City Attorney will receive the wage increase retroactively to May 1, 2012.

Roll Call: Hougen, Wall, Mott, Hill, Kehoe, Kupsik, Krohn and Tolar voted “yes.” Unanimously carried.

Discussion/Action on establishing alcohol license premises extension application and fee

Hill/Kupsik motion to establish the alcohol license premises application and fee of \$25.00. Alderman Hill said the purpose of the application is to formalize the current process of reviewing a request for an extension of premises. She said the City Clerk reviewed procedures in other communities and developed an application form that would require the same information from each applicant. Mayor Connors noted the fee would need to be approved as part of an amended fee schedule resolution.

Roll Call: Hougen, Wall, Mott, Hill, Kehoe, Kupsik, Krohn and Tolar voted “yes.” Unanimously carried.

Piers, Harbors and Lakefront Committee Recommendations – Alderman Wall

Discussion/Action on adding 10 boat slips to the West End Pier

Wall/Kehoe motion to add 10 boat slips to the West End Pier and to direct staff to prepare an RFP for constructing the slips in the Spring funded by the Lakefront fund, pending approval from the Plan Commission and issuance of DNR permits. Alderman Wall said the purpose behind the change has to do with the slips being in higher demand than buoys. Mayor Connors noted the change would result in eliminating 10 buoys. Administrator Jordan said it would take about three years for the revenue from the slips to offset the cost of their construction. Alderman Tolar asked how big the slips would be. Administrator Jordan said they would match the slips that are already on that side of the pier. Mr. Jordan said the design of the slips is already set; we just need an RFP process for the cost of constructing them. He noted that the new slips would be split up at the same ratio the City has been using – 15% for non-residents and 85% for residents. Alderman Kupsik asked if the Conditional Use Permit will be coming back to the Council for approval. City Attorney Draper confirmed that Council would need to approve a Conditional Use Permit after it is considered by the Plan Commission. Administrator Jordan said the DNR should have no problems issuing the permits as long as the City does not increase the total number of boats.

Roll Call: Hougen, Wall, Mott, Hill, Kehoe, Kupsik, Krohn and Tolar voted “yes.” Unanimously carried.

Presentation of Accounts – Alderman Hill

Hill/Mott motion to approve Prepaid Bills in the amount of \$253.73.

Roll Call: Hougen, Wall, Mott, Hill, Kehoe, Kupsik, Krohn and Tolar voted “yes.” Unanimously carried.

Hill/Hougen motion to approve Regular Bills in the amount of \$199,935.80.

Roll Call: Hougen, Wall, Mott, Hill, Kehoe, Kupsik, Krohn and Tolar voted “yes.” Unanimously carried.

Hill/Kupsik motion to accept the Monthly Treasurer’s Report for July 2012. Unanimously carried.

Closed Session

Mott/Kupsik motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1)(g) to confer with legal counsel who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation which it is or is likely to become involved in re: correspondence with union representative (City Attorney Draper)

Roll Call: Hougen, Wall, Mott, Hill, Kehoe, Kupsik, Krohn and Tolar voted “yes.” Unanimously carried.

The Council entered into Closed Session at 7:37 p.m.

Tolar/Kehoe motion to return to open session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (2) and take action on any items discussed in Closed Session.

Roll Call: Hougen, Wall, Mott, Hill, Kehoe, Kupsik, Krohn and Tolar voted “yes.” Unanimously carried. The Council reconvened in open session at 7:58 p.m.

Tolar/Kupsik motion to direct the City Administrator to handle all labor union inquiries. Unanimously carried.

Adjournment

Mott/Hougen motion to adjourn at 7:59 pm. Unanimously carried.

/s/ Michael D. Hawes, City Clerk

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