

**MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
February 4, 2014**

The Common Council of the City of Richland Center, Wisconsin, met in the Council Room of the municipal building at 450 S. Main Street on Tuesday, February 4, 2014 at 7:30 P.M., Mayor Paul F. Corcoran presiding. Alderpersons Marie Rakow, Susan Fruit, Lester Parker, Jay Buchanan Mueller, Marsha Machotka, P. Judy Shireman, Dawn Elliott, and Lorna Dilley present. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Mayor Corcoran ascertained from the Clerk that the meeting was properly noticed.

Motion by Parker, second by Fruit to waive the reading of the minutes of the last meeting (January 21, 2014) in lieu of printed copies and to approve the same. Motion carried.

ALDERPERSONS CONCERNS: Alderperson Shireman requested a discussion on the taxi service.

Utility Commission President Rod Perry said residents are requesting customers to run a pencil stream of water as the frost is so deep that lines are freezing under the street. If the customer's lines are frozen they could be without water.

ELECTRIC UTILITY REPORT BY DALE BENDER: Mr. Bender stated the Utility will be constructing a cold storage building and bids will be awarded at the next Utility meeting. The department is trimming trees and in the next 5-year plan they will convert all of the street lights to LED. The Utility will host a breakfast with customers, members of the Think Tank group that is focusing on workforce development, as well as surrounding school district representatives to encourage education for workforce development. Invitations will be mailed soon.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDING 1/31/2014:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Balance</u>
City General	\$129,918.28
State Investments #1 General	\$776,173.31
State Investments #2 Landfill	\$542,622.02
State Investments #4 Projects	\$414,170.16
State Investments #6 TIF	\$1,042,519.46
Money Market	\$3,275,338.51
Electric Utility	\$147,028.90
Unrestricted Investments	\$311,218.06
Water Utility	\$247,506.69
Unrestricted Investments	\$58,524.95
WWTP Utility	\$11,488.82
Unrestricted Investments	\$84,428.28

PUBLIC SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS:

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPLICATION FROM BRAD AND BLAIR DILLMAN D/B/A PRAIRIE SAND AND GRAVEL FOR A LAND SPLIT OF TAX PARCEL NUMBER 276-2724-4000. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 1651 US HWY 14 EAST: The Dillmans want to own the access to their Ready Mix plant rather than have an easement. They plan to keep outlot 1, provide an easement from outlot 1 granting access to lot 1 and sell lot one. Motion by Fruit, second by Dilley approve the land split. Motion carried 8-0.

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SITE PLAN APPROVAL FOR BRUCE WEGNER TO CONSTRUCT A 12,000 SQUARE FOOT BUILDING AT 1185 STATE HIGHWAY 80 SOUTH ALSO IDENTIFIED AS TAX PARCEL 276-2133-2000: Mr. Wegner intends to construct the building to house tow trucks and create a work space. Motion by Rakow, second by Elliott to approve the site plan as presented. Motion carried 8-0.

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SITE PLAN APPROVAL INCLUDING APPROVAL FOR ANY WELLHEAD PROTECTION ISSUES THAT MAY BE RELATED TO THREE BUILDING ADDITIONS FOR MARK FILLBACK D/B/A FILLBACK FORD LOCATED AT 2410 US HIGHWAY 14 EAST ALSO IDENTIFIED AS TAX PARCEL 276-2632-3000: The Utility Commission and the Water Superintendent reviewed any possible wellhead protection issues and have approved the additions as presented and felt there are no issues. Motion by fruit, second by Rakow to approve the site plan. Motion carried 8-0.

LIBRARY BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS:

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PURCHASE OF LIBRARY FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEM: Lisa Rewald said there has been money set aside for this project several years and the Foundation would like to proceed with the purchase, offering to pay the difference between the money the City has set aside and the actual cost.

Aldersperson Shireman left the meeting.

Motion by Mueller to approve allocating \$33,274 towards the purchase of the Library fire protection system that the Foundation will contract to install. Aldersperson Dilley seconded and the motion carried 8-0.

DISCUSSION, CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ESTABLISHING POLICY OF VOLUNTEERS AND TEMPORARY WORKERS: Mayor Corcoran asked with the Visitor Center/Museum, does the Council want to create or establish any reporting mechanism or guidelines in a policy. Discussion took place, Council was generally in favor of establishing a list, and however, no action was taken other than the Mayor will work with Clerk Jones to start the process.

DISCUSSION ON AMBULANCE SERVICE CURRENTLY PROVIDED BY RICHLAND COUNTY: Mayor Corcoran stated the County is interested in the continued operation of the ambulance and need financial assistance to maintain it. He said he contacted Tri State

Ambulance Service and Baraboo Ambulance Service for proposals or information as if it was decided to contract with a private firm they are the ones in the area. More information would be provided at the March meeting after the next City/County Ad-Hoc meeting.

STREET CUTTING / BUILDING / DEMO PERMITS: Clerk Jones said that streets were cut again on Parkview Drive, Pleasant View Court and the end of Kinder Street for frozen water mains.

PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS: Motion by Mueller, second by Machotka to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

ADJOURN: Motion by Parker, second by Machotka to adjourn. Motion carried.

Mayor, Paul F. Corcoran

Attest:

City Clerk / Treasurer Melinda D. Jones