

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL**

**April 1, 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, April 1, 2014 at 7:30 P.M., Mayor Paul F. Corcoran presiding. Alderpersons Marie Rakow, Susan Fruit, Lester Parker, Jay Buchanan Mueller, Marsha Machotka, Judy Shireman, Dawn Elliott, and Lorna Dilley present. Mayor Corcoran ascertained from the Clerk that the meeting was properly noticed.

Motion by Fruit, second by Elliott to waive the reading of the minutes of the last meeting (March 18th) in lieu of printed copies and to approve the same. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Mr. Bill Muth reported the downtown cinemas have been converted to digital and the Starlite 14 will be later this month. He thanked WRCO, the Observer, the Mayor and Council as well as the entire community for their support.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** City Clerk/Treasurer Melinda D. Jones presented the report for March 2014. The month end balance is as follows:

General Fund	271,119.92
Money Market Tax Acct.	13,329.78
State Pool - Account # 1	1,282,370.02
State Pool – Account #2 Long Term Care	542,768.33
State Pool - Account # 4 - Project Carryover	414,283.00
State Pool - Account # 6 - TIF - 2-5	1,414,256.46

**SPECIAL ACCOUNTS:**

CDBG - Housing RLF	23,827.85
Cemetery	4,659.95
Revolving Loan Fund- Savings	254,920.89
Revolving Loan Fund – Checking	5,979.94
Landfill Care – CD	280,761.99
Landfill Care - CD	276,809.40
Park / Community Center	46,895.65
Park and Rec Checking	2,779.23
Library Checking	155,124.74
RDA Checking	112,293.40
Room Tax	18,453.60

**CITY UTILITIES:**

Electric Utility Fund	229,083.09
Electric Unrestricted Funds	311,357.95
Water Utility Fund	58,247.24

Water Utility Unrestricted Funds	58,537.12
Waste Water Utility Fund	50,039.38
Waste Water Unrestricted Funds	34,515.45

**RESTRICTED FOR PROJECTS:**

Electric	1,212,388.99
Water	1,775,998.95
WWTP	7,429,428.02

**NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING SERVICES PRESENTATION OF PREVIOUS SURVEY:**

Chelsea Wunnicke and Amber Burch presented details of a door to door survey done last summer of a section of the City. The residents surveyed feel safe in their community, communicate with their neighbors, and most were satisfied living in their neighborhood.

**CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING HASELTINE HILLS ALLIANCE AS A NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION:**

Mayor Corcoran read and presented Debra Bristol and Joe Stadler a resolution recognizing Haseltine Hills Alliance as a neighborhood association. Motion by Shireman, second by Dilley to approve resolution 2014-8. Motion carried 8-0.

**UTILITY COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON BOND COUNCIL AGREEMENT REGARDING ISSUANCE OF \$15,740,000 CITY OF RICHLAND CENTER SEWERAGE SYSTEM REVENUE BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, SERIES 2014A:** This would be a contract between the City and Quarles & Brady LLP for bond counsel with the Utilities paying the \$15,500 fee and out of pocket expenses. Motion by Rakow, second by Dilley to approve the contract. Motion carried 8-0.

**CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PURCHASE OF OPERATING ITEMS FOR VISITOR CENTER / MUSEUM:**

Motion by Rakow, second by Fruit to postpone to April 15<sup>th</sup> meeting for possible donations. Motion carried 8-0.

**CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PURCHASE OF MUSEUM SIGN FOR VISITOR CENTER / MUSEUM:**

An anonymous person donated the \$295.00 needed for the sign that reads Richland Museum to be added to the current visitor center sign. Motion by Rakow, second by Parker to accept the donation to purchase the sign. Motion carried 8-0.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PURCHASE OF POOL HEATER:**

Mr. Shane Stibbe was present to review the answers to questions asked at the previous meeting. It was stated Badgerland charges \$75.00 per hour for a service call starting when they left Prairie du Sac and Wertz charges \$65.00 beginning when they arrive at the site. Motion by Shireman, second by Elliott to approve the bid from Wertz in the amount of \$25,700.00 for a pool heater. Motion carried 6-0 with Alderpersons Fruit and Mueller voting against.

**APPOINTMENTS TO BOARD OF CANVAS – MELINDA JONES, JANE JONES AND GRETCHEN JELINEK.** Motion by Shireman, second by Dilley to approve the appointments. Motion carried 8-0.

**APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS.** Mayor Corcoran said he would like to appoint Mr. James Bailey to the Police Commission. Motion by Fruit, second by Machotka to ratify the appointment. Motion carried.

**PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS:** Motion by Mueller, second by Dilley to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried 8-0.

Motion Shireman, second by Dilley to go into closed session per WI Statute 19.85 (1)(e) investment of public funds, consider negotiations of developer agreement in Orange St. Commons project area. Motion carried.

Closed session.

Motion by Machotka, second by Fruit to reconvene into open session. Motion carried 8-0.

**ADJOURN:** Motion by Shireman, second by Machotka to adjourn. Motion carried at 10:15 p.m.

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Mayor, Paul F. Corcoran

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City Clerk / Treasurer Melinda D. Jones