

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

June 16, 2015

The Common Council of the City of Richland Center, Wisconsin, met in the Council Room of the municipal building on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 commencing at 7:30 P.M., Mayor Paul F. Corcoran presiding. Alderpersons Susan Fruit, Marie Rakow, Marsha Machotka, Judy Shireman, Jay Buchanan Mueller, Lisa Miller, and Mike Kaufman were present. Bill Kloehn was absent. Mayor Corcoran ascertained from the Clerk that the meeting was properly noticed.

Motion by Kaufman, second by Rakow to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the last meeting in lieu of printed copies and to approve the same. Motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mr. Steven Boomfield reminded the City to look at crosswalk painting and additional signs for pedestrian safety. Mr. Benjamin Lewis expressed his concern on professional conduct of a Police Officer in regards to an incident with his vehicle.

CITY EVENTS AND CITIZEN'S CONCERNS TO BE DISCUSSED AT A FUTURE MEETING: Mayor Corcoran stated he would like to see ordinance updates regarding property maintenance and keeping properties cleaned up.

ALDERPERSONS CONCERNS TO BE DISCUSSED AT A FUTURE MEETING:
Aldersperson Rakow stated it is good to see sidewalks being repaired.
Aldersperson Fruit said she had a citizen wanting to take action towards getting a new pool.
Aldersperson Shireman requested the current Waste Water site be looked at for a dog park.
Attorney Robb stated there were not enough adequate speed limit signs of 15 mph in the parks.

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AWARDING CONTRACTS FOR 2015 STREET PROJECTS: Bids were reviewed with the lowest being less than \$400 apart and were under the estimate. Kurt Muchow from Vierbicher suggested adding a 3-5% contingency. No trees will be removed on 3rd Street, however there is one on 11st Street that the property owner would like removed. Motion by Rakow to approve the bid from Bob Ewers Contracting in the amount of \$177,692.90 with an additional 3% contingency. Aldersperson Fruit seconded and the motion carried 7-0.

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SELECTING AND ADDING STREET PROJECTS FOR 2016: The Council reviewed a proposed listing of street projects. No action was taken.

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON REQUEST FROM GREELEY SIGNS & GRAPHICS, LLC RELATING TO INDUSTRIAL PARK NORTH SIGN: Questions were asked on who owns the message board and what the cost of electricity is each month and who pays for the electricity bill. No action was taken.

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON REPLACEMENT OF TREES ON NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE RELATED TO PRIOR STREET PROJECT: Mayor Corcoran said several trees have died and been removed. Fifteen trees are needed. Motion by Shireman,

second by Kaufman to approve the purchase, apply it to the tree purchase line item in the budget and approve the overage transferred from contingency. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE CHAPTER 53 RELATED TO NEW REGULATIONS FOR THE BOARD OF REVIEW:

Attorney Robb stated there is state required training, confidentiality mandated and procedural issues that are in the proposed ordinance to ensure a smooth running board of review. Motion by Shireman, second by Rakow to suspend the rules, waive the reading and adopt Ordinance 2015-4. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON CHANGES TO ACTIVATION OF WARNING SIRENS: The sirens are currently tested on the first Wednesday of each month and it is proposed to test twice per month. Motion by Mueller, second by Rakow to approve testing the sirens two times per month. Motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS:

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPLICATION FROM RICHLAND REJUVINATES FOR A TEMPORARY CLASS “B” (BEER) RETAILER’S LICENSE FOR JUNE 27TH, 2015 FROM 12:00 P.M. THROUGH 12:00 A.M. FOR THE RC THUNDERFEST CELEBRATION IN KROUSKOP PARK: Motion by Shireman, second by Fruit to approve the license. Motion carried 6-1 with Rakow dissenting.

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPLICATION FROM RICHLAND COUNTY BANK FOR A CLASS “B” AND “CLASS B” RETAILER’S LICENSE AT 1475 US HWY 14 EAST (FORMERLY O’FINLEY’S PUB & GRILL): Motion by Machotka, second by Shireman to approve the license. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES: Motion by Machotka, second by Shireman to approve the license as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RENEWAL OF MUNICIPAL LICENSES: Motion by Machotka, second by Fruit to approve the license for Crossroads. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPLICATION FROM RICHLAND CENTER ROCKETS HOME TALENT BASEBALL FOR A TEMPORARY CLASS “B” (BEER) RETAILER’S LICENSE FOR JUNE 19TH, 2015 FROM 6:30 P.M. UNTIL 1 HOUR AFTER THE GAME: Motion by Machotka, second by Fruit to approve the license. Motion carried 5-2 with Rakow and Kaufman dissenting.

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPLICATION FROM RICHLAND CENTER ROCKETS HOME TALENT BASEBALL FOR A TEMPORARY CLASS “B” (BEER) RETAILER’S LICENSE FOR JUNE 20TH, 2015 FROM 5:00 P.M. UNTIL 1 HOUR AFTER THE GAME: Motion by Fruit, second by Machotka to approve the license. Motion carried 5-2 with Rakow and Kaufman dissenting.

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPLICATION FROM RICHLAND CENTER ROCKETS HOME TALENT BASEBALL FOR A TEMPORARY CLASS “B” (BEER) RETAILER’S LICENSE FOR JULY 3RD, 2015 FROM 6:00 P.M. UNTIL 1 HOUR AFTER THE GAME: Motion by Machotka, second by Fruit to approve the license. Motion carried 5-2 with Rakow and Kaufman dissenting.

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE CHAPTER 101 RELATED TO ADDING ONE-WAY TRAFFIC ON THE SECTION OF GAGE STREET BETWEEN MAIN STREET AND CENTRAL AVENUE: Motion by Machotka to suspend the rules, waive the reading, and adopt Ordinance 2015-5. Shireman seconded and the motion carried 7-0.

PARK BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS:

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON REPLACEMENT OF DRINKING FOUNTAINS AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING: Motion by Machotka to approve the quote for the high/low drinking fountains in the amount of \$1245.00, applied to the municipal building repairs line item in the budget with the overage transferred from contingency. Miller seconded and the motion carried 7-0.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AWARDING BID FRO CITY PROPERTY INSURANCE: Motion by Machotka, second by Kaufman to approve bid from The Horton Group for property insurance and approve the resolution to withdraw from the Local Government property Insurance Fund. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AWARDING BID FOR WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE: Motion by Rakow, second by Miller to approve the bid from Community Insurance Corporation in the amount of \$98,813 for workers compensation insurance. Motion carried 7-0.

UTILITY COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS:

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PAY APPLICATION FROM JAMES PETERSON SONS, INC FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE FORCE MAIN UNDER CONTRACT B: Motion by Rakow, second by Fruit to approve the payment request in the amount of \$129,946.50. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSIDER AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PAY APPLICATION FROM STAAB CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE WWTF & LIFT STATION UNDER CONTRACT A #RC-55: Motion by Machotka, second by Rakow to approve the payment request in the amount of \$1,749,018.40. Motion carried 7-0.

DISCUSSION ON THE RICHLAND AMBULANCE SERVICE: Mayor Corcoran reported that the next meeting is at 7:00 p.m. at the Courthouse tomorrow.

APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS – CONFIRM: Mayor Corcoran appointed Rachel Schultz to the Library Board and Travis Wertz to the Zoning

Board of Appeals as an alternate. Motion by Fruit, second by Kaufman to approve the appointments. Motion carried 7-0.

APPOINTMENT OF CITY FORESTER: Mayor Corcoran appointed David Fry. Motion by Fruit, second by Shireman to approve the appointment of David Fry as City Forester. Motion carried 7-0.

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

Motion by Fruit, second by Rakow to move into closed session under sec 19.85 (1) (b) to consider discipline of a public employee under its jurisdiction and consider taking formal action on the matter. Motion carried 7-0.

Closed Session.

Motion by Miller, second by Machotka to reconvene into open session. Motion carried 7-0.

ADJOURN: Motion by Miller, second by Mueller to adjourn. Motion carried at 10:18 p.m.

Minutes by Melinda D. Jones, City Clerk / Treasurer

Mayor, Paul F. Corcoran

Attest:

City Clerk / Treasurer Melinda D. Jones