

**ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL**

**January 17, 2017**

The Common Council of the City of Richland Center, Wisconsin, met in the Council Room of the municipal building on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 commencing at 7:30 P.M., Mayor Paul F. Corcoran presiding. Alderpersons Diane Cox, Michael Kaufman, John Collins, Marsha Machotka, Lisa Miller, Marie Rakow, Travis Wertz and Bill Kloehn were present. Mayor Corcoran called the meeting to order and ascertained from the Clerk that the meeting was properly noticed.

Motion by Rakow, second by Wertz to approve the minutes of the last meeting in lieu of printed copies. Motion carried 8-0.

**CITY EVENTS AND CITIZENS CONCERNS:** Mayor Corcoran said the City Utilities are doing different things with their billing system and he is requesting the city tracks the use of our utilities, not for any malice but so we know confidently that we are not being affected that much.

**ALDERPERSONS CONCERNS TO BE DISCUSSED AT A FUTURE MEETING:** Alderperson Kloehn would like to have Debikay Johnson from the DOT attend a council meeting to talk about signs. Alderperson Rakow would like the city/county ad hoc committee reestablished.

**CITY AND UTILITY DEPARTMENT HEAD CONCERNS:** Terry Nelson said there is a salt shortage in the Midwest and the city is out of salt. He said they will do the best they can with what they have to work with to make the roads as safe as possible and use a mixture of salt and sand if needed. Using sand turns to mud in the spring and is hard on the sweeper, it eventually glazes over again. Salt seeps into the ice and breaks it up. Shane Stibbe said the parks are in the same situation with salt as the street department.

**APPROVE AGENDA:** Motion by Machotka, second by Cox to approve the agenda and delete item 13 a. Motion carried 8-0.

**NATATORIUM BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**CONSIDER APPROVAL TO SPEND ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THE HVAC SYSTEM AT SYMONS:** Tracy Gobin from Symons said the Council previously approved the use of \$15,000 from the capital improvement fund to replace the HVAC system and because the current system is undersized for the building and usage it is necessary to obtain a larger system. They are requesting an additional \$5,000 and the County Board have already approved their portion. Motion by Rakow, second by Collins to approve the increase of \$5000 from the capital improvement fund for the HVAC system. Motion carried 8-0.

**CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION TO SYMONS FOR REPLACEMENT OF WEIGHT EQUIPMENT:** Tracy Gobin stated that the Symons Foundation has been collecting donations to replace weight equipment. The current weights are 18 years old and parts cannot be obtained for repairs. Motion by Rakow, second by Collins to accept the donation from the Foundation for the purchase of weight equipment. Motion carried 8-0.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BID FOR NEW DUMP TRUCK FOR STREET DEPARTMENT:** Motion by Wertz, second by Cox to approve the bid from Allstate Peterbilt for \$80,597 which includes the extended 5 year warranty and extras as requested by Terry Nelson for the cab and chassis bid and the bid from Universal Truck Equipment, Inc for \$44,764.00. Motion carried 8-0.

**CONSIDER PURCHASE OF SALT FROM RICHLAND COUNTY HWY DEPT.** Motion by Machotka to approve the purchase of \$30,000 of salt from Richland County Highway Department. Kloehn seconded and the motion carried 8-0.

**CONSIDER PURCHASING IPADS FOR COUNCIL UNDER GOVERNMENT CONTRACT PRICING:** Motion by Kaufman, second by Rakow to approve the purchase of 10 ipads under government pricing. Motion carried 8-0.

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BID FOR NEW SQUAD CAR FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT:** The City received a bid from Fillback Ford in the amount of \$24,798.78 and another from Sleepy Hollow Ford in Viroqua for \$25,149.50. Motion by Kloehn, second by Collins to approve the low bid from Fillback Ford in the amount of \$24,798.78. Alderperson Machotka asked if the approval would include the approximately \$6000 for the changeover of equipment and Kloehn said no, only the vehicle. Motion carried 8-0.

**PARK BOARD / PROPERTY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RENEWAL OF BUS LEASE WITH RICHLAND COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES:** Alderperson Miller stated the recommendation was to approve the renewal of the lease with Richland County Health and Human Services. Shane Stibbe reported the cost is \$1.00 per year and they have used it for the last 3 years. It is inspected by the state each year. There was discussion on the terms of the lease and what the City is obligated for if repairs are excessive. Mr. Stibbe stated there has been one employee and one volunteer that they use for drivers but the driver has to have a CDL and a bus endorsement. Motion by Machotka, second by Rakow to send the lease agreement back to Health and Human Services for modification of paragraph #5 stating that the City is responsible for routine maintenance, however if the repairs are too costly the City has the option of terminating the lease agreement. Motion carried 7-0 with Alderperson Cox abstaining.

**PUBLIC SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF TEMPORARY CLASS" B" BEER LICENSE TO RICHLAND COUNTY PERFORMING ARTS COUNCIL INC FOR JANUARY 28, 2017 "ROCKING THE RCPAC 60/70'S NIGHT" AT 182 N. CENTRAL AVE:** Motion by Machotka to approve the license pending the license fee being paid and the current liability insurance. Collins made the second and the motion carried 8-0.

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING WHO IS AUTHORIZED TO OPERATE CITY EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES:** Mayor Corcoran stated the last meeting this item was reviewed and the changes have been made as requested. Motion by Machotka, second by Cox to approve the resolution as presented with an annual review of drivers licenses. Motion carried 8-0.

**OLD BUSINESS: CONSIDER ACTION ON ISSUES OF THE RICHLAND AMBULANCE SERVICE.** The next meeting will be held January 18<sup>th</sup> and they have a 5 year plan on the agenda.

**CONSIDER SUSPENDING THE RULES, WAIVING THE READING, AND AMENDING ORDINANCE CHAPTER 290 RELATED TO PEDDLERS, CANVASSERS, AND TRANSIENT MERCHANTS:** Mayor Corcoran stated he has had a request by a person wanting to sell ice cream and another wanting to have a sandwich wagon to go to local employers in a food truck. Attorney Robb said an ice cream truck that has prepackaged food and is required to have a state license that is not too costly. The food being prepared in a food truck is very expensive and will be required to follow many state regulations as it would be considered a restaurant. He said there is an exemption for no- profit organizations. He said the public safety committee is working on the ordinance. No action was taken.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:** Motion by Miller, second by Machotka to approve payment of the bills. Motion carried 8-0.

Motion by Machotka, second by Cox to go into closed session per WI Stats 19.85 (1) (e) related to negotiation strategy regarding possible developer agreement with Joe Hall / Dairyland Transportation for property in the Industrial Park North, also negotiation strategy regarding possible developer agreement with Duane Kleinsasser. Motion carried 8-0.

Closed Session.

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

**ADJOURN:** Motion by Miller, second by Cox to adjourn. Motion carried at 10:30 p.m.

Minutes by Melinda D. Jones, City Clerk / Treasurer

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Mayor, Paul F. Corcoran

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City Clerk / Treasurer Melinda D. Jones