

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

June 18, 2019

The Common Council of the City of Richland Center, Wisconsin, met in the Council Room of the municipal building on Tuesday, June 18, 2019 commencing at 7:30 P.M., Mayor Michael J. Kaufman presiding. Alderpersons Scotty Wallace, John Collins, Travis Wertz, Diane Cox, Todd Coppernoll, Karin Tepley, Ryan Cairns, and Aaron Ewing. Mayor Kaufman ascertained from the Clerk that the meeting was properly noticed.

Motion by Wertz, second by Tepley to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the last meeting. Motion carried via voice vote with no opposition.

Motion by Wertz, second by Cox to approve the agenda with number 13 removed. Motion carried via voice vote with no opposition.

MAYOR AND ALDERPERSON CONCERNS TO BE DISCUSSED AT A FUTURE MEETING: Mayor Kaufman stated that there is interest in a new dialysis center but nothing confirmed yet.

Ryan Cairns stated community members watching on YouTube and the cable channels cannot hear so he asked everyone to speak clearly and loudly into the microphone.

CITY AND UTILITY DEPARTMENT HEAD CONCERNS: Librarian Martha Bauer said the summer reading program is in full swing and that tomorrow there will be a 12' tyrannosaurus rex at the library. Bill McCorkle reported the construction on E. Haseltine Street will start next week. Clerk Jones reported that Diane Cox, Todd Coppernoll, Aaron Joyce and herself met to plan the next request for proposals for the shared ride taxi service. They spoke to Justin Running on issues and determined to increase the hours of the 3rd vehicle between Monday and Friday.

UTILITY COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS:

CONSIDER RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF UP TO \$2,536,797 WATER SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2019, AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER DETAILS AND COVENANTS WITH RESPECT THERETO. Rod Perry said the Utility Commission has been working at least 5 years on the new reservoir and are now down to the financing stage. He said this will improve water pressure, fire protection and provide for growth. Motion by Collins, second by Wertz to approve Resolution 2019-6 authorizing the issuance and sale of up to \$2,538,797 water system revenue bonds, series 2019 and providing for other details and covenants with respect thereto and authorize signatures. Motion carried 8-0.

NATATORIUM BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS:

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF REQUEST FROM SYMONS RECREATION COMPLEX TO PURCHASE POOL FILTERS FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND: Denise Lins said the pool opened 32 years ago and the same filters are being used that had a life expectancy of 20 years. There is a need to replace them before they start leaking. The cost is approximately \$15,000 which the city and county will split and they are paid for from the

capital improvement fund. Motion by Wertz, second by Tepley to approve spending the capital improvement funds to purchase pool filters. Motion carried 8-0.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

CONSIDER OVERLAY OF STREETS AND A PORTION OF THE CEMETERY ROADS: Alderperson Wertz stated an overlay of the streets will extend the life by 10-15 years and the committee thought the \$70,000 budget to do this should be changed to \$150,000 to include what was not used last year. Clerk Jones said Superintendent Nelson requested \$250,000 that should cover all the streets on the list and that is could be done by a budget amendment. He also requested just approaching DL Gasser and Scott Construction and choosing the lowest cost because they are the only two businesses that service our area. Funds are on hand for street repairs in State Pool #4. Motion by Collins to approve Mr. Nelson reaching out to the two companies to obtain pricing and choosing the lowest bid to schedule up to \$250,000 for overlay of the streets on the list and do a budget amendment at the next meeting, Tepley seconded the motion. It was brought up to include the cemetery roads. Motion amended by Collins and seconded by Tepley to ad approval of spending up to \$65,000 for the cemetery roads. Motion carried 8-0.

FINANCE COMMITTEE AND PARK BOARD/PROPERTY RECOMMENDATIONS:

CONSIDER TRADE IN OF 3 OLD BOBCAT TOOLCAT ATTACHEMENTS TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF A NEW SNOWBLOWER ATTACHMENT AND WEED EATERS USING UNUSED FUNDS FROM THE BUDGET FOR THE TRUCK PURCHASE: Motion by Cairns to trade in the 3 bobcat toolcat attachments to purchase a snowblower for \$1475 and use the remaining funds to purchase weed eaters from the truck purchase budget. Motion carried 8-0.

CONSIDER PURCHASE OF AN UNBUDGETED UTV FOR THE PARKS DEPARTMENT USING FUNDS FROM THE SWIMMING POOL OPERATING BUDGET: Motion by Cairns, second by Wertz to approve the purchase of a Polaris UTV, classified as a used item with 8 miles on it in the amount of \$7792.00 using the pool operating budget. Motion carried 7-0 with Coppernoll abstaining.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATIONS: Alderperson Coppernoll read the list. Motion by Coppernoll, second by Cox to approve all license renewals. Motion carried via voice vote with no opposition.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MUNICIPAL LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATIONS: Alderperson Coppernoll read the list. Motion by Coppernoll, second by Collins to approve all license renewals. Motion carried via voice vote with no opposition.

CONSIDER SUSPENDING THE RULES, WAIVING THE READING AND ENACTING AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE CHAPTER 321 RELATING TO MOWING GRASS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY THAT IS TOO HIGH: Attorney Robb reviewed and summarized the changes. Residents are required to keep the height of their grass less than 6". In the event it is determined the grass is higher than 6", the city shall place a door hanger on the apparent main entrance door or send a notice to the property owner by first class mail addressed to the owner of record. If the violation is not abated within 48 hours after placement of a door

hanger, the city personnel is able to mow the offending grass on the property, destroy weeds and cut or cut and remove brush and dispose of cut tree limbs or other organic material on the property. The Clerk will bill the property owner and if not paid within 30 days a special charge becomes a lien against the property. Motion by Wertz, second by Coppernoll to suspend the rules, waive the reading and enact Ordinance 2019-2 amending Chapter 321 related to mowing grass on private property. Motion carried 8-0.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Motion by Coppernoll, second by Cairns to pay the bills as presented adding the payment of Fireworks to Krueger Pyrotechniques for \$7500.00. Motion carried 8-0.

ADJOURN: Motion by Cox, second by Wertz to adjourn. Motion carried at 8:25 PM.

Minutes by Melinda Jones, City Clerk / Treasurer