

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

Council President Helena Waala called the meeting of the Common Council of the City of Wautoma to order at 7:30 p.m., March 8, 2010.

Roll Call: Jeff Deuel, Aaron Grimm, Robert Helbing, Patrick King, Helena Waala, Lee Wise.

Others present: Bill and Denise Frueh, Jackson Kinney, Jodi Yin.

Prayer and Pledge took place.

Moved by Helbing, second by Deuel to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting as published in the Waushara Argus. Carried.

Moved by Helbing, second by Grimm to approve the agenda. Carried.

Bill Frueh, PAA, LLC, presented a proposal for the recruitment for the position of City Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer. As the city's consultant, they would take care of the advertisement for applications, review the applications, suggest the top 10 people and meet with Council to choose the top four candidates. Their time frame is 16 weeks to accomplish the hiring process. The Finance & Personnel Committee will review the proposal and make a recommendation to Council.

The following Operator License application was presented for approval: Gordon T Strauss.

Moved by Grimm, second by Helbing to approve the above application and grant the license. Carried.

Resolution 10-003, A RESOLUTION REMOVING UNCOLLECTIBLE AND WORTHLESS PERSONAL PROPERTY ACCOUNTS FROM THE DELINQUENT PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX ACCOUNT, was presented for approval.

Moved by King, second by Grimm to approve Resolution 10-003. Carried.

Midwest Claims Service, representing the city, stated that the city was not at fault in a recent vehicle accident and asked the city to deny a claim filed by Secura Insurance Co. who represents Peter Eastling Trucking. The reason for denial is that there is no negligence on behalf of the City of Wautoma.

Moved by Deuel, second by Wise to deny the claim filed by Secura Insurance Co. on behalf of Peter Eastling Trucking because there is no negligence on behalf of the City of Wautoma. Carried.

Clerk presented New Officials Workshop dates for any Council member that may want to attend. Clerk also presented dates for League Regional Dinner meetings. Anyone interested in attending the F.A.C.T.S. dinner can see the Clerk for a registration form.

LIBRARY BOARD: received two donations to be used for children's books; repairs to the women's bathroom wall is complete; summer reading program "Make a Splash" will be held from June 10 thru July 22; Winnefox will assist the city in hiring a new library director.

FINANCE & PERSONNEL: met with Ehlers to discuss the refinancing of the Water and Sewer Revenue Refunding Bonds; recommended approving a stormwater agreement for work on Cambridge Street with DOT; recommended accepting Russ Nero's letter of retirement effective January 31, 2011; recommended payment of the monthly bills.

Clerk reported that Ehlers reviewed the budget for the Water Utility and stated that the city can not afford to refinance the Water and Sewer Bonds at this time.

Moved by King, second by Deuel to approve the stormwater agreement with DOT for the Cambridge Street project. Carried.

Moved by Grimm, second by King that the claims covered by Voucher 3-1 thru 3-76 inclusive are allowed and the Clerk instructed to pay the same. Carried.

Moved by Helbing, second by Grimm to accept the letter of retirement from Russ Nero effective January 31, 2011. Carried.

Moved by Helbing, second by Deuel to adjourn to closed session pursuant to WI Statute 19.85(1)(g) to confer with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. The City Council will meet with Jodi Yin of Axley Brynelson, LLP to bring the Board up to date regarding the lawsuit against the City by Waushara County Historical Society. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Alderman Deuel	yes
Grimm	yes
Helbing	yes
King	yes
Waala	yes
Wise	yes

Russell M Nero
Clerk-Treasurer