

OFFICIAL COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

A special meeting of the City Council of the City of Menomonie, Dunn County, Wisconsin, was held in open session on November 4, 2013, and called to order by Mayor Knaack at 5:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. The following members were present: Luther, Traxler, Sutherland, Dickmann, Riedel, Schwebs, Brown, Solberg, Cruz, and Mercil. Beety was absent.

MOTION was made by Brown, seconded by Cruz, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the October 21, 2013 regular meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Carroll Rund, representing the Ludington Guard Band, thanked the City for its past support and highlighted all of the band functions taking place this year.

Joe Jax, Urban Forestry Board Chairman, encouraged the City Council to support the Urban Forestry budget increase request.

Ron Fry, President of the Evergreen Cemetery Board, stated income is not meeting expenses and the cemetery board is seeking financial support from the City Council to help keep the cemetery open and defray grounds maintenance expenses.

Mike Brandt and Jack Collins supported the Senior Citizen Center financial assistance request.

Patrick Thibado, Duane Bauer, Leonard Ellison, and Debbie Fisher supported the Evergreen Cemetery financial assistance request.

Kristi Krimpelbein, Andrew Martin and Debbie Fisher supported the Main Street of Menomonie, Inc. financial assistance request.

Nancy Bloom-Cumming and Diane Morehouse supported the Mabel Tainter financial assistance request.

MOTION was made by Cruz and seconded by Solberg to suspend the rules and allow representatives from the agencies requesting financial assistance to speak. Motion carried.

Cindy Quilling, representing the Mabel Tainter Theater, thanked the City for its past support and reminded everyone of the economic benefit of the Mabel Tainter. Several council members asked questions regarding the hours of operation of the Mabel Tainter and public access to the facility. Cindy Quilling stated the Board is attempting to increase the hours of operation and public access to the Mabel Tainter.

Kent Conklin, representing Dunn County Transit, thanked the City for their past support and asked for continued financial support.

Shari Homstad, representing the Menomonie Senior Center, thanked the City for its support and stated the Center continues to look at ways to be self-sustaining and noted they actually reduced their requested 2014 financial assistance by \$800.

Joanie Dulin, representing Main Street of Menomonie, thanked the City for its support and provided an overview of the events that are sponsored by Main Street.

Eric Turner, representing Dunn County Economic Development, thanked the City for their support and stated they are working hard to bring more businesses to Dunn County and retaining existing businesses.

Jamie Wagner, Interim Director of the Dunn County Humane Society, thanked the City for their support.

Katherine Dutton, representing Stepping Stones, thanked the City for its support and announced an increase in 2013 service requests with more program demand expected in 2014.

Matt Carter, representing the Dunn County Historical Society, thanked the City for their support and reviewed the various programs and events held by the Historical Society.

MOTION to adjourn was made by Dickmann, seconded by Cruz, and carried.

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Menomonie, Dunn County, Wisconsin, was held in open session on November 4, 2013, and called to order by Mayor Knaack at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. The following members were present: Luther, Traxler, Sutherland, Dickmann, Riedel, Schwebs, Brown, Solberg, Cruz, and Mercil. Beety was absent.

PUBLIC HEARING – Mayor Knaack announced time for the public hearing regarding the removal of diseased Dutch Elm and Oak Wilt trees at various locations throughout the City. No one appeared and the hearing was declared closed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – No member of the public spoke.

MOTION was made by Cruz, seconded by Dickmann, and carried on a roll call vote ordering the removal of diseased Dutch Elm and Oak Wilt trees at various locations throughout the City.

ORDINANCE – Proposed ordinance amendment creating 4-hour parking in the 700 block of 2nd Street West was **INTRODUCED** by Dickmann. **MOTION** was made by Traxler, seconded by Solberg, and carried to waive the first reading of the ordinance amendment creating 4-hour parking in the 700 block of 2nd Street West. **MOTION** to waive the second reading was made by Cruz, seconded by Brown, and carried. **MOTION** to adopt the ordinance was made by Dickmann, seconded by Cruz, and carried.

MOTION was made by Schwebs, seconded by Cruz, to petition the WI DOT and fund (estimated cost of \$12,600) a change of the I-94 Laura Ingalls Wilder direction signage to Historical Downtown Menomonie. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote. The City Council also supported the recommendation of the Wayfinding Committee to secure the professional services of Visual Communications of St Paul, MN to design wayfinding and entrance signage for the City of Menomonie. Funding of the wayfinding and entrance sign design will be incorporated in the 2014 capital budget.

MOTION was made by Solberg, seconded by Mercil, and carried unanimously to approve the request from Mind Over Matter, Inc. to conduct a run/walk fundraiser on May 17, 2014.

RESOLUTION NO. 17 accepting the Timber Canyon Road right-of-way improvements in the Timber Canyon Subdivision was introduced and moved for adoption by Traxler, seconded by Luther, and carried unanimously on roll call vote.

MOTION was made by Solberg, seconded by Cruz, and carried unanimously on a roll call vote to approve the amended State/Municipal Agreement (dated April 8, 2013) supporting the Northeast Bicycle & Pedestrian Bicycle Corridor WI DOT Project.

MOTION was made by Schwebs, seconded by Brown, and carried unanimously on roll call vote to accept the bid of \$31,092 from Northtown Ford for the purchase of a new Fire Department pickup. The only other bid came from Keyes Chevrolet for \$33,600.

BUDGET – The Council continued their review of the 2014 preliminary City of Menomonie General Operating and Capital Improvements Budget. Prange explained that the preliminary budget only contains \$55,866 in contingency and does not include any employee wage or salary adjustments. After a page by page review of the budget, the Council requested Prange bring back levy and budget options that include a larger 2014 contingency fund, addresses other agency fund requests not included in the preliminary budget and still allows the City to qualify for Expenditure Restraint funding.

MAYOR'S REPORT – No report provided.

COMMUNICATIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS – The agenda packet included the Anytime Fitness Turkey Trot event request for November 28th; an update on the airport lighting project;

information on the 20th annual Chippewa Valley Rally; the September monthly building inspection report; and a request from the City of Eau Claire to support a resolution requesting a Legislative Study Committee on the distribution of shared revenue.

CLAIMS - MOTION was made by Cruz, seconded by Luther, and carried unanimously on roll call vote to approve payment of the following claims:

Claims

Advantage Police Supply	\$ 1,540.00
Aring Equipment Co.	663.55
Batteries Plus	154.08
Cedar Corporation	37,279.25
EO Johnson	692.57
Haas Sons	237.19
IDEXX	693.57
Keys Chevrolet	33.32
Lewis Bjork LLC	120.00
MEUW	6,000.00
Manpower	949.62
Manpower	2,429.08
Marketplace Foods	464.15
Mid State Int'l Trucks	457.15
Northwest Enterprises	6,495.00
Schilling Supply Co.	244.10
Schofield, Higley & Mayer S. C.	6,681.21
Traffic & Parking Control	166.78

Parking Utility

Clancy Systems, Int'l.	\$ 3,150.00
Fastenal	899.51
Kraft/Michael	282.75

MOTION was made by Schwebs, seconded by Brown, and carried to approve the following licenses:

OPERATORS: Mikala M. Dale; Dorinda S. Gifford; Shelby N. Webber; Matthew M. Hauser; Meeghan M. Meyer.

MOTION to adjourn was made by Brown, seconded by Sutherland, and carried.

Randy Eide, Clerk Pro Tem