

OFFICIAL COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Menomonie, Dunn County, Wisconsin, was held in open session on February 3, 2014, 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, Beety and Mercil.

MOTION was made by Dickmann, seconded by Beety, and carried to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2014 meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – Mayor Knaack announced time for the public hearing regarding the rezoning request from Jim Rooney (Heartland Contractors) for property located north of the Whisper Ridge PUD (Nicholas Drive) and south of the Technology Park (Kothlow Avenue) from Agricultural District to Multiple-Family Residential District (R-3), Limited Multiple-Family Residential District (R-2) and Twin Home Residential District (R-4).

Bill Albright, Vice President of Heartland Contractors, spoke regarding the need for a variety of housing in Menomonie and urged the Council to approve his proposed multi-unit development.

Mitch Ogden spoke on behalf of several of his Whisper Ridge neighbors and expressed concerns regarding vehicle traffic and pressure on the Oaklawn School if this development is approved, and suggested a comprehensive study be done regarding housing / rental needs for the City of Menomonie.

Sean Bohan, project engineer, spoke in support of the proposed Heartland Contractors development and stated that it makes sense because utilities are already there. Hearing closed.

Mayor Knaack announced time for the public hearing regarding the request from James Bee to rezone the property at 1109 Third Street West from Single Family Residential District to Limited Multiple-Family Residential District.

Dave Larson, representing James Bee, stated the rezoning would allow rental to students and he urged the Council to support the request. Hearing closed.

Mayor Knaack announced time for the public hearing regarding the request from UW-Stout for the vacation of that portion of Third Avenue West lying between South Broadway and Second Street West.

Gary Gust, representing UW-Stout, stated the request for the street vacation is to be able to provide green space and additional parking for students. Hearing closed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Mary and Rick Bygd urged the Council to grant their application for the Reserve “Class B” Liquor license and a Class “B” Beer license for the property at 320 Main Street.

Joanie Dulin, Executive Director of Main Street Menomonie, spoke in support of the application for the reserve liquor and beer license from Mary and Rick Bygd and urged the Council to grant the request.

ORDINANCE – MOTION was made by Schwebs, seconded by Solberg, and carried to waive the first reading of the ordinance rezoning property located north of the Whisper Ridge PUD (Nicholas Drive) and south of the Technology Park (Kothlow Avenue) (Heartland Development, Jim Rooney, property owner) from Agricultural District to Limited Multiple Family Residential District, Multiple Family Residential District and Twin Home Residential District. MOTION to waive the second reading was made by Solberg, seconded by Luther, and carried. MOTION to

approve the Heartland Contractors rezoning request, as presented this evening, was made by Schwebs and seconded by Solberg.

MOTION to waive the rules to hear from Bill Albright was made by Riedel, seconded by Traxler, and carried. Mr. Albright answered questions relating to an estimated time frame for completion of the development and stated the project will have an approximate value of \$12 to \$13 million.

ORIGINAL MOTION lost on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Schwebs and Solberg.

Noes: Luther, Traxler, Sutherland, Dickmann, Riedel, Brown, Cruz, Beety, and Mercil.

ORDINANCE – MOTION was made by Brown, seconded by Cruz, and carried to waive the first reading of the ordinance rezoning the property at 1109 3rd Street West from Single Family Residential District to Limited Multiple Family Residential District. MOTION to waive the second reading was made by Cruz, seconded by Traxler, and carried. MOTION to adopt the ordinance was made by Traxler and seconded by Luther.

MOTION was made by Schwebs, seconded by Traxler, and carried to waive the rules to hear from the property manager, Dave Larson. Mr. Larson answered questions about his role as property manager and stated he can make recommendations to the property owner for improvements.

MOTION to waive the rules to hear from the property owner, James Bee, was made by Cruz, seconded by Schwebs, and carried. Mr. Bee explained that if the property is rezoned, he will rent to students and take the property off the market.

ORIGINAL MOTION lost on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Luther and Traxler.

Noes: Sutherland, Dickmann, Riedel, Schwebs, Brown, Solberg, Cruz, Beety and Mercil.

RESOLUTION 2014-4 vacating a portion of 3rd Avenue West lying between South Broadway and Second Street West was introduced and moved for adoption by Brown, seconded by Traxler, and carried unanimously on roll call vote.

ORDINANCE regarding regulation of hunting with bow and arrow or crossbow within the City was introduced by Brown. MOTION to waive the first reading was made by Cruz, seconded by Luther, and carried. MOTION to waive the second reading was made by Brown, seconded by Solberg, and carried. MOTION to adopt the ordinance was made by Cruz, seconded by Luther, and carried.

ORDINANCE regarding the erection of a stop sign on Nelson Drive at Terrill Road was introduced by Dickmann. MOTION to waive the first reading was made by Brown, seconded by Sutherland, and carried. MOTION to waive the second reading was made by Cruz, seconded by Luther, and carried. MOTION to adopt the ordinance was made by Dickmann, seconded by Traxler, and carried.

MOTION was made by Mercil, seconded by Cruz, and carried to approve the request from the Menomonie Theater Guild to hold a color dash fundraiser in Wakanda Park on May 3, 2014.

Note: a certificate of liability insurance for the event must be submitted.

BUDGET TRANSFERS – MOTION was made by Schwebs, seconded by Luther, and carried unanimously on roll call vote to approve the following budget transfers:

- \$1,453.46 from Recreation 01.55210.493 League Entry Fees, and
- \$1,500 from Pool & Beach 01.55220.424 Dues, and
- \$1,000 from Recreation 01.55210.254 Facility Rent to Recreation 01.55210.719 Copy Machine.

- \$780 from Recreation 01.55210.714 Computers to Leisure Services Center 01.55130.740 Ice Maker.
- \$1,720 from Recreation 01.55210.714 Computers to Leisure Services Center 01.55130.740 Water Softener.
- \$945.25 from Contingency 01.60000.699 to Leisure Services Center 01.55130.740 Water Softener.
- \$1,000 from Water Utility, Lab Service 61.64200.296 Lab Service to Maint. of Structures & Improvements 61.63100.226 Repairs.

MAYOR’S REPORT – Mayor Knaack announced the old Leever’s building at 503 South Broadway is scheduled to be demolished on February 10, 2014.

COMMUNICATIONS - The Council packet included the Happenings Around Menomonie report dated January 30, 2014; a letter from the Dunn County Fish & Game Association thanking the City for their support of the Operation Tip up-2014 “A Salute to our military Veterans” event that was held on January 11, 2014; and the Diggers Hotline - summary of locates for 2013.

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

2014 Claims

Cedar Corporation	\$ 35,651.67
Google, Inc.	181.50
Schofield, Higley & Mayer, S. C.	5,277.13

2013 Claims

Weld, Riley, Prenn & Ricci, S. C.	1,147.50
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2014 Parking Utility Claims

City Treasurer	\$ 514.98
Kado Gallery	400.69
Lark Uniform	449.70

2013 Parking Utility Claims

City Treasurer	\$4,582.26
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LICENSES - MOTION was made by Beety, seconded by Solberg, and carried to approve the following licenses: **OPERATORS:** Sydne R. Flatland; Holly M. Golisch; Brittany E. Hammer; Elizabeth A. Merrill; Diane L. Morehouse.

MOTION was made by Schwebs, seconded by Brown, and carried unanimously to approve the following license: **RESERVE “CLASS B” LIQUOR and CLASS “B” BEER:** MR Wine, LLC, (The Barrel Room – 320 Main Street), Mary R. Bygd, Agent, SUBJECT TO RECEIPT OF A COPY OF THE PURCHASE OR LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE BUILDING; FINAL INSPECTION; SUBMITTAL OF THE WISCONSIN SELLER’S PERMIT; AND PAYMENT OF ALL LICENSE FEES.

MOTION was made by Solberg, seconded by Luther, and carried unanimously to deny the Taxi Cab Driver application of James R. Goheen, as recommended by Police Chief, Eric Atkinson.

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