

## 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 6, 2012, and called to order by Mayor Knaack at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. The following members were present: Smith, White, Hausler, Dickmann, Riedel, Schwebs, Solberg, Cruz, Beety and Mercil. *(Resignation was received from Halloran).*

MOTION was made by Dickmann, seconded by Beety, and carried to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2012 meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – Mayor Knaack announced time for the public hearing regarding the proposed rezoning of 1518 Stout Road, Part of Outlot 1 (A), from Limited Multiple-Family Residential District to Local Commercial District. The following spoke with concerns and in opposition to the proposed rezoning: Jack Register, Jerry Lausted, Jessica and Mike Gilbertson, Susan Beety, James Barker, and Tina Danovsky. Nikki Turner requested the Council to postpone, table, or refer this rezoning request back to the Plan Commission where she hopes they will discuss the possibility of developing a new zoning district which would allow for only light commercial and/or professional office space. Hearing closed.

Mayor Knaack announced time for the public hearing regarding the proposed resolution petitioning the Secretary of Transportation for an Airport runway lighting project. Dan Johnson, Airport Commission Chairman, stated that there have been frequent difficulties with failure of the lighting at the airport and he urged support of the project. Hearing closed.

Mayor Knaack announced time for the public hearing regarding the proposed amendment to the building height requirements in the general commercial district. No one appeared and the hearing was declared closed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Dr. Scott McGovern described concerns about removing algae from Lake Menomin which could possibly include a serious health hazard, and he urged the mayor and council to hold off on harvesting the algae until more research can be done on the possible effects.

Ruth Martinson spoke in support of Mayor Knaack's efforts to clean up Lake Menomin.

Pat Thibado spoke about the prototype machine to remove algae that he is developing and described his efforts to clean up Lake Menomin.

ORDINANCE – MOTION to refer the proposed rezoning for 1518 Stout Road, Part of Outlot 1 (A), Haefner's Addition from Limited Multiple-Family Residential District to Local Commercial District back to the Plan Commission was made by Smith, seconded by White, and carried on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Smith, White, Riedel, Schwebs, Solberg and Cruz. Noes: Hausler, Dickmann, Beety and Mercil.

RESOLUTION NO. 3 petitioning the Secretary of Transportation for an Airport runway lighting project was moved for adoption by Schwebs, seconded by Cruz, and carried unanimously on roll call vote.

ORDINANCE – MOTION to waive the first reading of the ordinance regarding building height requirements in the general commercial district was made by Schwebs, seconded by Solberg, and carried. MOTION to waive the second reading was made by Dickmann, seconded by Mercil, and carried. MOTION to adopt the ordinance was made by Schwebs, seconded by Solberg, and carried.

STATUS REPORT – Mayor Knaack gave an update on his efforts to clean-up Lake Menomin and urged the Council to join him in this project. Mayor Knaack also presented several commercial equipment options for removing weeds and garbage in lakes with the premise that this same equipment could remove algae.

MOTION to suspend the rules to hear from Scott McGovern, a UW-Stout biology department lecturer, was made by Schwebs, seconded by Solberg, and carried.

Mr. McGovern spoke about the differences between green algae and the potential harmful effects of removing blue-green algae, and stated that he is an advocate for treating the problem in place.

After much discussion and several questions by council members on the details associated with Mayor Knaack’s efforts, no action was taken by the City Council.

MOTION was made by Schwebs, seconded by Smith, and carried unanimously on roll call vote to approve the proposed 2012 IAFF Local 1697 Firefighters, and the 2012 Menomonie Professional Police Association (Local 45) successor contract agreements, as presented.

MOTION was made by Solberg, seconded by Dickmann, and carried unanimously on roll call vote to approve the proposed Park / Recreation Department 2012 Park Shelter Fees, as presented in the memo from Gary Barnett, Parks & Recreation Director, dated January 31, 2012.

MOTION was made by Schwebs, seconded by Smith, and carried unanimously on roll call vote authorizing the sale of a Street Department 1985 F350 Ford Van to Toy’s Scrap & Salvage.

MOTION to accept the resignation of Ward 7 City Council Representative, Ryan Halloran, effective January 31, 2012 was made by Dickmann, seconded by Beety, and carried.

COMMUNICATIONS – The agenda packet included notice that the Menomonie Fire Department has received a \$289,000 Department of Homeland Security Assistance to Firefighter’s Grant; notice of Main Street of Menomonie’s Annual Meeting scheduled for February 16, 2012; notice of The First Annual Red Cedar Watershed Conference scheduled for March 22, 2012; and the monthly activity reports from the building inspection department and the police department.

MOTION was made by Mercil, seconded by Beety, and carried to place on the next agenda the possible consideration of allowing chickens in single family dwellings.

MOTION was made by Solberg, seconded by Hausler, and carried unanimously on roll call vote to approve payment of the following claims:

**2011 Claims**

Access Security	\$ 3,623.00
Cedar Country Co-op	10.65
Sue Hitz	31.43
St. Joseph’s Hospital Chippewa Falls	834.30

**2012 Claims**

CDW-Government	4,516.45
Cedar Corporation	25,999.75
Emergency Medical Products	135.00
Haas Sons, Inc.	10,404.45
L-3 Com Mobile Vision, Inc.	5,366.00
Schofield, Higley & Mayer, S.C.	7,014.20
Two Way Communications, Inc.	1,510.00

**2011 Parking Utility Claims**

City Treasurer	\$ 828.12
Clancy Systems, Int’l.	2,100.00

**2012 Parking Utility Claims**

City Treasurer	354.06
Mike Kraft	273.00
Main Street Graphics	154.00
Miller & Associates	3,515.00

MOTION was made by Dickmann, seconded by Mercil, and carried to approve the following licenses:

**CLASS “A” BEER (Change of Agent, effective 1-24-12):** Northern Tier Retail, LLC (SuperAmerica #4483 – 1903 Stout Rd.), New Agent – Nicole D. Moe (**SUBJECT TO LETTER SUBMITTED BY CORPORATE REQUESTING CHANGE**).

**OPERATORS:** Marcus T. Clare; Melody H. Gaede; Chris P. Galetka; Johnna L. Graycarek; Edwyn J. Jensen; Lauren A. Mahoney; Amy L. Miller; Kristen K. Schlough.

**SECONDHAND ARTICLE DEALER:**

Robert S. Federico (Menomonie Motor Sports) 2219 S. Broadway.

**TAXI CAB DRIVER:** Jeff W. Burns; Danny A. Mitchell; Stephanie M. Swanson.

**TEMPORARY CLASS “B” BEER and TEMPORARY “CLASS B” WINE LICENSE:**

**St. Joseph Catholic Church** – May 12, 2012 @ 921 Wilson Ave., Charles Hall (church basement),

(event: Dinner and Wine Tasting Benefit for Tuesday’s Table).

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**The following Temporary Class “B” Beer licenses have been issued by the City Clerk (after review by the City Administrator and Mayor):**

**St. Joseph Catholic Church** – February 18, 2012 @ 910 Wilson Ave., Gymnasium (Parish Center/School), (event: Dinner /Auction for School Fundraiser).

**Greater Menomonie Area Chamber of Commerce:**

<u>Location:</u>	<u>Date of event:</u>	<u>Event:</u>
- Anderson Corporation 201 Lookout Road ( <i>Entire Building</i> )	2/20/12	Business After Hours
- Jeatran Associates 1321 Stout Road ( <i>Entire Building</i> )	8/20/12	Business After Hours
- Mabel Tainter Center for the Arts 205 Main Street ( <i>Entire Building</i> )	9/17/12	Business After Hours
- WESTconsin Credit Union 3333 Schneider Avenue ( <i>Entire Building</i> )	10/15/12	Business After Hours
- The Oaks 1320 12 <sup>th</sup> Avenue East ( <i>Entire Building</i> )	12/17/12	Business After Hours

MOTION to convene in closed session under Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1) (c), (e), and (g) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the government body had jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; deliberating or negotiating the purchase/sale of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session; conferring 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 was made by White, seconded by Solberg, and carried unanimously on roll call vote.

MOTION to return to open session was made by Schwebs, seconded by Smith, and carried unanimously on roll call.

No action was taken.

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

JoAnn L. Kadinger, City Clerk