

## 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 2, 2015, and called to order by Mayor Knaack at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. The following members were present: Luther, Traxler, Sutherland, Cook, Schwebs, Solberg, Cruz, Erdman, and Mercil.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – The following people and organizations attended this meeting to thank the City for past support and requested continued financial support: Eric Turner – Dunn County Economic Development, Donna Collins – Menomonie Senior Center, Diane Simon – United Way, William Kulesa, Anna Olson, and Madison Olson – Crossroads Community Center, Carroll Rund – Ludington Guard Band, Matt Carter – Dunn County Historical Society, Katherine Dutton, Kristin Korpela – Stepping Stone, David Preston – C3 (United Way), Linda Rundle – GFWC Womens Club, Steve Renfree, Marni Waznik, and Bill Butsic – Mable Tainter Center for the Arts, Ron Fry – Evergreen Cemetery Association, and Ken Conklin – Dunn County Transit.

MOTION made by Cruz, seconded by Erdman, and carried to adjourn.

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Menomonie, Dunn County, Wisconsin, was held in open session on November 2, 2015, 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, Cook, Schwebs, Solberg, Cruz, Erdman, and Mercil.

MOTION was made by Erdman, seconded by Traxler, and carried to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2015 meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – No one appeared before the council to speak on the order to remove diseased Dutch Elm and Oak Wilt trees at various locations throughout the city.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – The applicants for the vacant Wards 4 & 7 City Council positions addressed the Council stating their qualifications and interest in being selected for the vacancies. The candidates that appeared before the Council were Lynn Dickmann, Stephanie Ischer, and Travis Peterson.

MOTION made by Schwebs, seconded by Erdman, and carried unanimously to remove the diseased Dutch Elm and Oak Wilt trees at various locations throughout the city.

MOTION made by Cruz, seconded by Sutherland, and carried unanimously on a roll call vote to approve Michael Signs to fabricate and erect the way finding signs in the City for a cost of \$27,293.00. Other companies submitting proposals and their associated cost are as follows: Nordquist Sign Co. \$ 30,861.00, SignArt Co. \$33,051.00, and Serigraphics Signs Systems \$37,216.50.

MOTION made by Cruz, seconded by Erdman, and carried to waive the rules and let the candidates for the vacant Wards 4 & 7 address the Council.

MOTION made by Cruz, seconded by Schwebs, and carried to conduct a ballot vote to fill the Wards 4 & 7 Council seats.

MOTION made by Cruz, seconded by Solberg, and carried to follow the ballot process as explained by the City Attorney when voting to fill Wards 4 & 7 Council seats.

The round one vote for Ward 4 resulted in the following: Stephanie Ischer received 9 votes. No other candidates received any votes. **Stephanie Ischer** was declared the Ward 4 Council Representative until April 2016.

The vote for Ward 7 resulted in the following: Travis Peterson received 7 votes and Steven Woodard Jr. received 2 votes. **Travis Peterson** was declared the Ward 7 Council Representative until April 2016.

MOTION made by Traxler, seconded by Cruz, and carried to forward the proposed ordinance rezoning Lot 2, Block 3 Stout Technology Park from Technology Park Specialized Industrial District (T-1) to Local Commercial District (B-2) to the Plan Commission.

BUDGET- MOTION made by Cruz, seconded by Mercil, and carried unanimously on a roll call vote to approve \$60,000 of financial assistance to the Tainter Building Organization as recommended for 2016.

MOTION made by Schwebs, seconded by Cruz to approve the other agency list funding as recommended for 2016.

AMENDED MOTION made by Solberg, seconded by Luther, and carried to exclude Crossroads Community Center from the original other agency motion.

ORIGINAL MOTION AS AMENDED carried unanimously on a roll call vote to approve the other agency list funding as recommended for 2016, which excludes Crossroads Community Center.

MOTION made by Mercil, seconded by Cruz to fund Crossroads Community Center at \$9,000.

MOTION made by Cook, seconded by Schwebs, and carried to postpone a decision on Crossroads Community Center funding until next the budget meeting.

MOTION made by Sutherland, seconded by Schwebs, and carried to increase account 01.54430.320 (Urban Forestry) by \$2,000 to \$13,500.

BUDGET TRANSFER – MOTION made by Traxler, seconded by Cruz to approve the following budget transfers: \$20,500 from Fire Computer Programs, First Aid Supplies, Uniforms, Vehicle Fuel, Physical Exams to Fire Vehicle Repair to cover the cost of repair to Engine 6. \$10,000 from Maintenance of Meters Supplies to Maintenance of Meter New Meter to buy new water meters.

MAYOR’S REPORT – the Mayor announced that this years’ witches night out had a great turn out.

COMMUNICATIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS – Compliance checks were done on 10-14-15 and the Council discussed with the Chief of Police the outcome of the checks.

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

**November 2, 2015 Claims**

American Leak Detection	\$	1,650.00
Cardmember Services		6,689.19
Cedar Corp		33,354.00
EO Johnson		52.49
Fastenal		69.00
Northtown Ford		26,140.50
Racom Corp		607.33
Schofield, Higley & Mayer		8,502.18
Steel Towne		114.25
24/7		3,641.15

**Parking Utility Claims**

Konrad Material Sales		1,015.00
City Treasurer		753.43

**Total \$ 82,588.52**

LICENSES - MOTION made by Solberg, seconded by Cook, and carried to approve the following licenses:

**OPERATORS:**

Zackary A. Ernst; Sarah L. Hunter; Michael D. Kingsbury; Laura A. Stensgaard; Alexander A. Pelke.

**CLASS “A” BEER (Change of Agent)**

S/S/G Corporation (SSG Holiday – 1805 North Boradway, New Agent – Kimberly A. Swanson.

MOTION made by Luther, seconded by Erdman and carried to adjorn.

Cally Lauersdorf, City Clerk