

DRAFT MINUTES  
Mineral Point, Wisconsin  
November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 @ 5:30 p.m.

The Regular meeting of the Common Council was held at the City Hall/Community Room on the above date and time.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor, Gregg Bennett @ 5:30 p.m. Roll call and Alderpersons present: Basting, Schmit, Clark, Falconer, Oellerich, and Hurley. Alderpersons Mitchell and Pittz were absent. Clerk Treasurer – Debi Heisner and Attorney Peter Pfothenauer were also present.

Motion was made by Ald. Basting and seconded by Ald. Oellerich to accept the minutes of the October meeting as published. All in favor – motion carried.

In public Comment Reid Knapp, Arts MP commented on the Sculpture Park that is adjacent to 310 High Street. The park contains some sculptures that are very hard to move and they are requesting that if the building is razed that the contractors be made aware of the sculptures.

In Clerks Correspondence, Clerk Heisner reported on the November Election. There were 1379 voters of which 434 were absentees and we registered 132 new voters. The day went very smooth. A big thank you to all those who helped! The delinquent water bill amount that will go to the tax roll is approximately \$3200.00.

Maureen Kolwicz was present to ask the council to consider a repeal to the Tree Committee's 11.3.16 decision regarding a tree removal at 525 7<sup>th</sup> street. The Tree Committee's decision allowed for the tree removal and required planting of 3 replacement trees, instead of the required 6-7 trees, all at the property owner's expense. After much discussion, Attorney Pfothenauer provided knowledge no appeal existed. It was decided, the real issue at hand is who the tree belongs to. The City did not act on this item, but suggested to the owner a CSM be completed to verify ownership of the tree.

There was a motion by Ald. Hurley and a second by Ald. Falconer to Authorize the letting of bids to raze 310 High Street with awarding of bid contract contingent upon the owner failing to comply with the raze order. All in favor, Motion Carried.

There was a motion by Ald. Falconer and a second by Ald. Schmit to authorize issuance of Quit Claim Deeds for vacated streets. All in favor – motion carried.

There was a motion by Ald. Falconer and a second by Ald. Schmit to approve the forming of a 2-person committee for the Tree Committee to use for obvious reasons. All in favor – motion carried.

There was a recommendation from the Personnel Committee to approve the changing of the half time police officer to a full time police officer with a motion by Ald. Clark and a second by Ald. Hurley. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

The 2017-2018 Assessors Contract was approved with a motion by Ald. Schmit and a second by Clark. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

The 2017 Wage Resolution was approved with a motion by Ald. Schmit and a second Ald. Hurley. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

There was much discussion on the 2017 Budget. There was a motion by Ald. Clark and a second by Ald. Basting to approve the final 2017 Budget as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

There was a motion by Ald. Schmit and a second by Ald. Clark to appoint Tom Kelly as Chairman and Therese Hess as a committee member to the Historic Preservation Committee. Gregg Bennett thanked Glen Ridnour for all of his time and efforts on the Committee. All in favor – motion carried.

The following operator was approved with a motion by Ald. Oellerich and a second by Ald. Basting. All in favor motion carried. Alex Schmidt, Tiffany Woodberry, Anthony Dahl, and Bryce Fitzsimmons.

There was a motion by Ald. Schmit and a second by Ald. Falconer to pay the monthly bills as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote. City bills \$184,663.63, Water bills \$22,841.68 and Sewer bills \$55,327.41. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

In Committee reports Jay Oellerich mentioned that the Dave Ashliman has agreed to let the Streets department use his property on Ridge Street for additional dumping if needed.

The next regular council meeting is scheduled for December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016 @ 5:30 p.m.

There was a motion by Ald. Oellerich and a second by Ald. Basting to adjourn the November meeting.

Debi Heisner, City Administrator/Clerk Treasurer