

**MINUTES  
CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
April 15, 2008**

A duly convened meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Scott Huebner in the Council Chambers. Council members present: Aldermen Al Haacke, Paul Neumyer, Jim Vollmar, Burt Babcock, Tom Hudson, David Larson and Chris Ross. Also present: City Administrator Mark Grams, City Planner Randy Tetzlaff, City Attorney Eric Eberhardt and City Engineer Rob Vanden Noven. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

**OATH OF OFFICE** – City Administrator Grams gave the Oath of Office to Aldermen Paul Neumyer, 2<sup>nd</sup> District; Burt Babcock, 4<sup>th</sup> District; and David Larson, 6<sup>th</sup> District.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approve Minutes of the Previous Meeting – April 3, 2008
- B. Approve Original Operator's License Applications – Arlene P. Sperry, Nicole L. Eisentraut, Suzette M. Poull, Nathan S. Klement and Benjamin M. Ritger
- C. Approve Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" Retailer's License (Picnic) – St. Peter's/ St. Mary's Catholic Churches/Lower Lake Park in Veteran's Park and Band Shell Area "At The Lakefront"/ August 8 – 9, 2008
- D. Approve Temporary Bartender's License Applications – St. Peter's/St. Mary's Catholic Churches – Daniel P. Becker, Deborah M. Manoni, David M. Murphy, Denise M. Murre and Kevin D. Shaver

MOTION BY ALDERMAN HUDSON SECONDED BY ALDERMAN ROSS TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**MAYOR'S BUSINESS**

- A. Welcome From Mayor – Mayor Huebner welcomed David Larson to the Council and Paul Neumyer and Burt Babcock in their re-election and said he is looking forward to working with them.
- B. Consider Committee Appointments – MOTION BY ALDERMAN HUDSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BABCOCK TO APPROVE THE MAYOR'S CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS AND THE ALDERMANIC COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2008. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- C. Mayor Huebner read a proclamation honoring Alderman Pete Jushka.
- D. Mayor Huebner read a proclamation proclaiming May 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> as "Poppy Days" for the American Legion Auxiliary
- E. Mayor Huebner read a proclamation proclaiming April 25, 2008 as Arbor Day in the City of Port Washington

**OFFICERS'/STAFF REPORTS**

- A. Election of Council President – MOTION BY ALDERMAN ROSS, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN NEUMYER TO ELECT ALDERMAN HUDSON FOR COUNCIL PRESIDENT. MOTION BY ALDERMAN BABCOCK TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN VOLLMAR. **Motion carried unanimously.** The motion to nominate Alderman Hudson as Council President. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- B. MOTION BY ALDERMAN HAACKE, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN VOLLMAR TO APPROVE THE OZAUKEE PRESS AS THE OFFICIAL CITY NEWSPAPER. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- C. MOTION BY ALDERMAN BABCOCK, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN HUDSON TO DESIGNATE OZAUKEE BANK, PORT WASHINGTON STATE BANK, M & I

**BANK, ASSOCIATED BANK AND GRAFTON STATE BANK AS OFFICIAL CITY DEPOSITORIES. Motion carried unanimously**

**D. Update on Projects:**

1. Highway 32 – Project is moving along. All underground work will be done this week. Construction of the road will begin next week.
2. Harborwalk – Within two weeks all concrete work will be done. Work still needs to be done on the railing.
3. N. Spring St. – A Public Informational Meeting was held last Tuesday on the road reconstruction of N. Spring St. from Grand to Mallinger. There was a good turnout and many supported the project.
4. Rain Barrels – Ozaukee Bank is sponsoring a program where you can purchase a rain barrel for \$45 or you can also enter a raffle to win a rain barrel. There is a rain barrel on display in the lobby of City Hall. On June 14<sup>th</sup> an informational meeting is being held with Ozaukee Bank who will be working with UW-Extension in presenting a power-point presentation on constructing a rain garden. More information will be forthcoming.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS/APPEARANCES-None**

**COMMITTEES**

**A. Finance and License Committee**

1. Resolution 2008-11 (Authorizing The Issuance And Sale Of Approximately \$3,100,000 Water System Revenue Bonds) – MOTION BY ALDERMAN HUDSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BABCOCK TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2008-11. Motion carried unanimously.

**BOARDS/COMMISSIONS**

**A. Board of Public Works**

1. Approve Engineering Firm For N. Spring St. Water Main Design – MOTION BY ALDERMAN ROSS, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN HAACKE TO APPROVE GREMMER AND ASSOCIATES FOR WATER MAIN DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE N. SPRING ST. PROJECT AT A TIME AND MATERIALS NOT TO EXCEED \$4,500. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Approve Fisherman's Park Bridge Design And Chapter 30 Permit Application – Alderman Vollmar asked if this is a repair, why can't the price be negotiated rather than bid the project? City Engineer Vanden Noven said that this project would fall under the classification as a bid. City Attorney Eberhardt indicated that this probably would be a type of public construction, even though a repair, you are creating a new structure. City Engineer Vanden Noven said that it would be 90% new. Alderman Vollmar said that you are taking a structure and repairing it so he feels negotiating a price would be less expensive than bidding it. Alderman Ross agrees with Alderman Vollmar and feels the construction cost estimate of \$123,142 is too high. City Engineer Vanden Noven said that we did everything we could to make this the least expensive bridge and retain its historic nature. The public bidding law is to make certain that it's a level playing field for contractors and that the City is getting the lowest price. Alderman Babcock feels that your chance of getting the low bid is to get several bids of people that are bidding the same item. MOTION BY ALDERMAN VOLLMAR, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BABCOCK TO APPROVE THE FISHERMAN'S PARK BRIDGE DESIGN,

CHAPTER 30 PERMIT APPLICATION AND BRIDGE OWNERSHIP CERTIFICATION FORM. **Motion carried unanimously.**

3. Approve Bid For Beutel, Wilson, Meadow, and Lakeview Street Water Main And Street Improvement Project – MOTION BY ALDERMAN VOLLMAR, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN HUDSON TO AWARD THE WATER MAIN AND STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FOR BEUTEL, WILSON, MEADOW, AND LAKEVIEW STREET TO HEARTLAND CONSTRUCTION. **Motion carried unanimously.**
4. Approve Purchase Of Brush Chipper – MOTION BY ALDERMAN ROSS, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN HAACKE TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A BRUSH CHIPPER FROM VERMEER WISCONSIN, INC. **Motion carried unanimously.**
5. Approve Purchase Of Street Sweeper – MOTION BY ALDERMAN HUDSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN VOLLMAR TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A STREET SWEEPER FROM ROLAND MACHINERY CO. AND A CHASSIS FROM TRUCK COUNTRY OF WISCONSIN, INC. **Motion carried unanimously.**
6. Approve Contract With WE Energies For Street Lights On Grant Street – MOTION BY ALDERMAN HUDSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN VOLLMAR TO APPROVE THE WE ENERGIES PROPOSAL FOR 5 ADDITIONAL STREET LIGHTS ON GRANT STREET. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**B. Park and Recreation Board**

1. Recommendation On Placing Banners On Fence At Hill Street School Park – MOTION BY ALDERMAN ROSS, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN NEUMYER TO APPROVE THE PLACEMENT OF BANNERS ON THE FENCE AT HILL STREET SCHOOL PARK FOR A ONE-YEAR PERIOD. **Motion carried unanimously.**
2. Amend 2008 Salary Resolution – MOTION BY ALDERMAN HUDSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN HAACKE TO APPROVE AMENDING THE 2008 SALARY RESOLUTION, WAGE SCALE, FOR SEASONAL EMPLOYEES OF THE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT TO MEET THE MINIMUM WAGE REQUIREMENTS. **Motion carried.** 6 ayes and 1 abstain (Alderman Neumyer)
3. Transfer Of Funds From Open Spaces Fund (Replacement Of Waterpark Amenity) – Charlie Imig, Park & Recreation Director, was present and described the piece of equipment at the waterpark, which is the water bucket drop that needs to be replaced. He also mentioned that consideration was being given to a tumble bucket instead of the water bucket drop, which is a new and popular feature at pools. MOTION BY ALDERMAN HUDSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN VOLLMAR TO GIVE THE PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR THE LATITUDE TO REPLACE THE WATERPARK AMENITY WITH EITHER OF THE TWO FEATURES MENTIONED ABOVE. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**C. Police and Fire Commission**

1. New Job Title For Dispatcher/Clerical Position (Police Aide) – Chief Thomas introduced the Council to a new job description for dispatchers that he feels will be very important now and in the future. He indicated that the Port Washington Police Department transitioned to a consolidated dispatch center for services on February 25, 2008. He said he met with AFSCME union, Local 108 and advised them that they would

like to create a new position within the department and rename the existing dispatchers. He said the job description represents an opportunity for the department to hire non-sworn personnel in the future to serve the department in a multi-functional and multi-task role. The current employees would be grandfathered in under their current duties and pay classification, but all new non-sworn employees hired will be brought in under this job description and the pay classification set by the City Administrator and agreed upon by Local 108.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Update On Upgrading Audio/Visual System In Council Chambers – City Administrator Grams gave a report on replacing the camera system in the Council Chambers for people giving presentations. He indicated that the reason we haven't proceeded on this upgrade was because of the Capital Outlay Budget overages in the Snow & Ice Account. We should get final figures from the County of our Snow & Ice Account. The Finance Committee will be discussing this at the next meeting and make a recommendation as far as how to proceed with capital purchases in the future. At this point in time we are looking at prioritizing purchases until the end of the year. Alderman Haacke feels this upgrade is important in our professionalism at this level. Mayor Huebner agreed that this keeps citizens up to date on the issues. Alderman Ross asked why we are not displaying this over the City's website for people who don't have access to Time Warner. It was agreed this was something we should look into.
- B. Resolution 2008-12 (A Resolution Authorizing Participation In The Non-Point Source And Storm Water Management Grant Program) – MOTION BY ALDERMAN BABCOCK, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN VOLLMAR TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2008-12 WITH THE CORRECTED LANGUAGE.  
**Motion carried unanimously.**

**FORTHCOMING EVENTS** – As far as the condition of the trailer park, we are working on that with the former owner and should get reimbursed for the cleaning.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS/APPEARANCES** – None

**ADJOURNMENT** – MOTION BY ALDERMAN HAACKE, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN ROSS TO ADJOURN THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AT 8:48 P.M. **Motion carried unanimously.**