

**MINUTES
CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 18, 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, Tom Hudson and Chris Ross. Absent & excused were Aldermen Pete Jushka and Burt Babcock. 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.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve Minutes of the Previous Meeting – March 4, 2008
- B. Approve Original Operator's License Application – Laura J. Albers

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

MAYOR'S BUSINESS

- A. Coal Dock Committee Meeting – Mayor Huebner reported that the next Coal Dock Committee Meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 31st, 6:30 p.m. at the Police Department Community Room
- B. Presentation On Creating A Sustainable Lifestyle – Amy Wilborn, member of Ozaukee Community Awareness Forum, gave a presentation on how to create a maintain a sustainable lifestyle. She said the OCAF is a community-based organization with a goal of educating the public about important issues. This year the group is focused on sustainability. One issue to consider is to think in a more sustainable way and develop policies in our community that are meant to support the sustainability of our earth and of our resources. She is trying to spearhead a movement in Port Washington. She said that our neighbor, the Village of Grafton, has already started this, as well as many other communities in Wisconsin and across the country. Grafton has adopted a proclamation, which declares one's commitment to thinking about how to apply these policies around sustainability. She is asking support of the Mayor and Common Council to adopt a proclamation on climate protection as part of Port Washington's new vision; and to participate in an Earth Day 2008 Celebration and "Sustainability Fair", which will be held on Saturday, April 26, at the Wellspring Organic Garden near Newburg. Interested businesses as well as community leaders and citizens are cordially invited.

OFFICERS'/STAFF REPORTS

- A. City Administrator Grams reminded the Council of the next Mid-Moraine Association Dinner Meeting, March 26th, at the Country Inn & Suites, hosted by the City of Port Washington.
- B. Spring General Election – The Spring General Election will be held on Tuesday, April 1st. Because there will not be a quorum the day after the election, it was decided that the Council Meeting would be held on Thursday, April 3rd.
- C. Update On Projects:
 - 1. Highway 32 Project – The project started with concrete breaking yesterday; today they will be removing pavement and are working on underground water main and storm sewers. We are off to a good start and should see progress.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/APPEARANCES-Kimberly McCulloch, Port Washington Festivals – she asked if the City was working on the festival policy question, which she needs for her budget. City Administrator Grams reported that we should have a proposed policy ready for review at the next Council Meeting.

COMMITTEES

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS

A. Plan Commission

1. Declare Land Adjacent To Former Incinerator property As Surplus Land – This item was tabled.

B. Board of Public Works

1. Approve Survey Contract For The Highway 32 Water Main Replacement Project – MOTION BY ALDERMAN HAACKE, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN ROSS TO APPROVE AWARDING THE STAKING CONTRACT FOR THE STH 32 WATER MAIN TO EARTH TECH FOR A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$7,030.00. **Motion carried unanimously.**

C. Traffic Safety Committee

1. Ordinance 2008-4 (Prohibiting Parking On A Portion Of E. Washington And E. Pier Streets During Marina Season) 1st Reading – Tabled

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Deny Claim Of Owners Of Pasta Shoppe – MOTION BY ALDERMAN HUDSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN ROSS TO DENY THE CLAIM OF THE OWNERS OF THE PASTA SHOPPE. 4 AYES, 1 NAY (Alderman Vollmar) **Motion carried.** Alderman Hudson said he did not like doing this to a local business, but we have a procedure to follow. Alderman Vollmar said he doesn't think it's for us to determine whether we are liable or not, it is for the insurance companies to handle, not the Council.
- B. Lease Agreement With Cricket Communications (Wisconsin Street Tower) – City Administrator Grams said this was a standard lease and was reviewed by the City Attorney. Approval of the agreement should be with the condition that the Plan Commission reviews the site plan. City Attorney Eberhardt apologized for the format of the lease, but said that although it is in a disjointed format, once all insertions and deletions are done, the substantive terms and conditions would be acceptable to Cricket Communications. Alderman Vollmar questioned several sections in the lease and gave his opinion. Alderman Neumyer urged caution on Section 19 (e) dealing with interference. He suggested that we check with the County who has extensive technical radio personnel that would be able to assist us. MOTION BY ALDERMAN HUDSON TO APPROVE THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH CRICKET COMMUNICATIONS. **Motion fails for lack of a second.** MOTION BY ALDERMAN VOLLMAR, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN HAACKE TO HAVE THE CITY ATTORNEY REDRAFT THE AGREEMENT WITH CRICKET COMMUNICATIONS AND SUBMIT IT TO US FOR APPROVAL AT THE APRIL MEETING. 4 AYES, 1 NAY (Alderman Hudson) Motion **carried.**

- C. Approve Hiring New Election Inspector – MOTION BY ALDERMAN NEUMYER, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN VOLLMAR TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF SHIRLEY LARGE AS A NEW ELECTION INSPECTOR. **Motion carried unanimously.**

FORTHCOMING EVENTS – Mayor Huebner said with the organizational meeting coming up in April, if anyone would like to move to a different committee or board to let him know.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/APPEARANCES-None

ADJOURNMENT – MOTION BY ALDERMAN VOLLMAR, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN ROSS TO ADJOURN THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AT 8:14 P.M. **Motion carried unanimously.**