

**MINUTES
CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 17, 2009**

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 Engineer Rob Vanden Noven and City Attorney Eberhardt. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve Minutes of the Previous Meeting – March 3, 2009
- B. Approve Original Operator's License Applications – Wendy S. Schowalter and Heidi I. Jutrzonka
- C. Approve Civic License For Port Fish Day, Inc.

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

MAYOR'S BUSINESS

OFFICERS'/STAFF REPORT

- A. City Administrator Grams reported that the Spring General Election is on Tuesday, April 7th, so the next City Council Meeting is on Wednesday, April 8th.
- B. Mid-Moraine Association Dinner Meeting – City Administrator Grams said the next Mid-Moraine Municipal Association Dinner Meeting would be held on March 25th, hosted by the Village of Grafton, at the Rose Harms American Legion Post. The speaker will be Curt Witynski, Assistant Director of the Wisconsin League of Municipalities.
- C. Update On Projects:
 - 1. Coal Dock Project – City Engineer Vanden Noven said the next Coal Dock Committee Meeting with Hitchcock Design is on Tuesday, March 24th. Hitchcock Design Group is working on a grant application for the naturalization of Sauk Creek, which is a key component of the Master Plan.
 - 2. Park Restrooms – City Engineer Vanden Noven reported that the Park Restrooms Project, which was advertised last Thursday, is currently out for bids. The bidding will take place over a three-week period and bids are due April 2nd. The goal is to take the restrooms finished by July 4th.
 - 3. 2009 Street Projects – City Engineer Vanden Noven said he and Ross Kroeger, Engineering Tech, are working on the design of the streets around St. Mary's. The City Engineer said he met with St. Mary's Parish Council last week and they had no problems with the designs. He also touched base with the Light Station. Bids for the street project would be put out in late April and they will break ground when school gets out on June 15th. Later this month a preconstruction meeting would be held for the N. Spring Street Project. The project should be under way in April.

Alderman Vollmar had some concerns with security issues with the proposed plans for the restrooms in Veteran's Park, as well as different ways to access the Yacht Club, such as deliveries on Fish Day. Mayor Huebner suggested that we have the Police Chief look into it.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/APPEARANCES – None

COMMITTEES

A. Finance and License Committee

1. Federal Stimulus Money Programs – Alderman Hudson pointed out that the Federal Stimulus Money Program is a moving target in that we still don't have all the rules and regulations and how the money is going to be divided up between the municipalities. City Administrator Grams said that he continues to review e-mails from the State in regards to the various programs eligible for Federal Stimulus Funding. He referred to an article that he attached to the agenda showing that there are still a lot of questions in regards to overseeing the programs and how the final decisions are to be made as to which communities will be receiving grant monies. He indicated that there are several sites, but unfortunately they seem to be running through a web site, grants.gov, but you have to be registered with that site along with two to three other web sites for them to accept a grant application. He said he is working on the registration process and we'll have to wait and see where this all goes.

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS

A. Board of Public Works

1. Approve Contract For Septage Receiving Station Upgrade – MOTION BY ALDERMAN ROSS, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN VOLLMAR TO AWARD THE CONTRACT FOR THE SEPTAGE RECEIVING STATION TO THE SELMER CO. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$188,900. **Motion carried unanimously.**
2. Approve WWTP Blower #2 Upgrade/Aeration Study – MOTION BY ALDERMAN HUDSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN ROSS TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH AECOM FOR THE BLOWER #2 UPGRADE/AERATION STUDY FOR A COST TO THE CITY OF \$4,150 AFTER THE GRANT FROM WISCONSIN FOCUS ON ENERGY. Vote taken – 6 ayes; 1 abstain. **Motion carried.**
3. Approve Agreement For Construction/Staking Inspection Service For North Spring Street Project – MOTION BY ALDERMAN NEUMYER, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN ROSS TO APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH GREMMER AND ASSOCIATES FOR SEWER AND WATER CONSTRUCTION AND STAKING ON NORTH SPRING STREET. **Motion carried unanimously.**
4. Approve Application For Federal Stimulus Funding For Street Improvement Projects (Holden, S. Wisconsin, Chestnut and Division Streets) – MOTION BY ALDERMAN HAACKE, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN NEUMYER TO APPROVE PROCEEDING WITH THE APPLICATION FOR STIMULUS FUNDING FOR STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (HOLDEN, S. WISCONSIN, CHESTNUT AND DIVISION STREETS). **Motion carried unanimously.**
5. Approve Contract Amendment For Sunset Road Sewer And Water Main Extension Design Project – MOTION BY ALDERMAN HUDSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN VOLLMAR TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH GREMMER & ASSOCIATES FOR SUNSET ROAD SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION DESIGN AS PRESENTED AND THAT THE ASSESSMENT TO KLEEN TEST BE DEFERRED. **Motion carried unanimously.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approve Closing Of Streets For The Community Street Festival, May 31st – MOTION BY ALDERMAN HUDSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN LARSON TO APPROVE THE CLOSING OF FRANKLIN STREET BETWEEN GRAND AVENUE AND JACKSON STREET ON MAY 31ST BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 9 AM AND 5 PM FOR THE COMMUNITY STREET FESTIVAL. **Motion carried unanimously.**
2. Resolution 2009-5 (Adoption Of Sustainable Community Development Policy) – Mayor Huebner said he doesn't want to approve a boilerplate resolution. He would like the resolution to be unique for the City of Port Washington listing our accomplishments and outline what we want to do for the future. Alderman Vollmar said this is not the resolution that he proposed and also agrees that we should modify it to customize the needs of our community. MOTION BY ALDERMAN BABCOCK, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN VOLLMAR TO TABLE. **Motion carried unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS/APPEARANCES – A representative of the Yacht Club said, regarding the proposed restrooms in Veterans Park, he would like somebody to address concerns and issues relating to different ways to access the Yacht Club.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

MOTION BY ALDERMAN HUDSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN NEUMYER TO CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION pursuant to § 19.85 (1)(e), Wis. Stats., for purposes of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, to-wit: to deliberate, or develop legal and negotiating strategies for, the investing of public funds in the acquisition (e.g., lakebed grant), lease, sublease, development, use and/or maintenance of the former WE Energies' coal dock lands by the City in negotiations with WE Energies and agencies of the state of Wisconsin. ROLL CALL: Haacke-aye, Neumyer-aye, Vollmar-aye, Babcock-aye, Hudson-aye, Larson-aye, and Ross-aye. **Motion carried unanimously.** Meeting convened at 8:15 p.m.

Adjournment at 8:53 p.m.