

**MINUTES**  
**CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, December 7, 2010, 7:30 P.M., City Hall**

**1. ROLL CALL-** A duly convened meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Scott Huebner in Council Chambers. Council members present: Aldermen Mike Ehrlich, Paul Neumyer, Jim Vollmar, Burt Babcock, Tom Hudson, Dave Larson and Dan Becker. Also present: City Engineer Rob Vanden Noven, City Planner Randy Tetzlaff, City Attorney Eric Eberhardt and City Administrator Mark Grams.

**2. PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG-** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Approve Minutes Of Previous Meeting

B. Approve Original Operator License Applications

An application for Operator License from Daniel Berkowitz was reviewed from the last meeting. His past offenses were reviewed and his parole officer was contacted and had no issues with the applicant during her supervision of Mr. Berkowitz.

MOTION MADE BY ALDERMAN HUDSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BABCOCK TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED AND OPERATOR LICENSES FOR DANIEL BERKOWITZ AND NICHOLAS WOOD. Motion carried unanimously.

**4. MAYOR'S BUSINESS-** None.

**5. OFFICERS'/STAFF REPORT**

A. Nomination Papers For Aldermanic Positions- Mark Grams reported on the process for obtaining nomination papers. Nomination packets could be taken out starting December 1<sup>st</sup> and are due in the Administration office by January 4<sup>th</sup>.

B. Posting Rules And Regulations For South Beach- Mark Grams reported that the property is owned by WE Energies. Rules and regulations must be posted to be able to enforce them. The development of the rules and regulations is currently being discussed.

C. Final Net Tax Rate And Mailing Of Tax Bills- Mark Grams reported that the City just recently received the Lottery Credit, First Dollar Credit and School Tax Credit from the Department of Revenue, which came in later than usual. Due to that, the information for the preparation of the tax bills was delayed. Tax bills are currently being reviewed and should be mailed out by next week. The final Net Tax Rate is 18.945 per thousand assessed valuation. It represents a less than a 1% increase over last year's tax rate.

**6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/APPEARANCES**

***Your comments are welcome. Please limit your discussion to 3 minutes. If you need more time, please contact the City Administrator and request that your topic be placed on the City Council Agenda.***

\*Lisa Beyer, 819 Glenlyon Lane- Introduced her new business called Patch.com which will be launching on December 27<sup>th</sup>. This website will be able to post information for the City as well as other area businesses.

\*Jean Wills, 325 Franklin St.- Informed the Council that Pier 6 has a bar sticking out from the canvass in the back of the building. This bar is a hazard to people walking and she would like assistance from the City is having the bar owner remove it before someone falls and gets injured. City Attorney Eberhardt responded that the City is currently working with the bar owner on the canvass enclosure and he will be notified of this concern as well.

**7. COMMITTEES**

## A. FINANCE AND LICENSE COMMITTEE

1. Approve 2011 Fire Service Contract With Town Of Port Washington- Alderman Hudson reported on this annual contract process. After applying the formulas the City uses, the contract total for 2011 is \$107,111.85 which is \$1,683.35 less than the previous year. The Finance Committee recommends approval.

MOTION MADE BY ALDERMAN HUDSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN EHRLICH TO APPROVE THE 2011 FIRE SERVICE CONTRACT WITH THE TOWN OF PORT WASHINGTON. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Ordinance 2010-22 (Amend Sewer Service Charges) 1<sup>st</sup> Reading- Alderman Hudson reported the DNR agreement of a new value formula. The fixed charge remains the same, but the volume charge is 5.7% which amounts to a 2.7%-3.0% increase to the average homeowner. The Finance Committee recommends approval. This ordinance will appear on the next agenda for a second reading.
3. Consider Sale Of Land to Downtown Property Owner For Parking- Alderman Hudson reported on a letter received from a realtor looking to purchase two parking stalls behind his building for tenants from the City. The amount for this property would be between \$900 and \$1,000. The Plan Commission will review this, however the Finance Committee is recommending approval.

MOTION MADE BY ALDERMAN HUDSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN LARSON TO APPROVE THE SELLING OF PROPERTY FOR TWO PARKING SPACES.

Alderman Vollmar commented that this request being considered should not set a precedent for consideration of future requests. Motion carried unanimously.

## 8. COMMISSIONS / BOARDS

### A. PLAN COMMISSION

1. Public Hearing To Rezone Properties At 700 And 704 N. Wisconsin Street From RM-1 Single And Two Family to CCM Central City Mixed- Randy Tetzlaff reported on the purpose for the Public Hearing. He also reported that the City now has a map from 1986 that shows this property was rezoned to B-1. In February of 1992 the Plan Commission changed the zoning from B-1 to RM-1 with a Business Overlay District. In 1994 Ordinance 94-13 was approved which would allow for the proposed business to operate on this property.
  - \*Karen Lewis, Blue Sky Educational Foundation- Reported to the Council on the massage therapy as an allied health profession. This individual and current practice would be a valuable asset to the neighborhood.
  - \*Michelle Henkle, 320 Regatta Drive- A long-term client of Jennifer Harris', she operates a valuable and excellent business.
  - \*Darcy McManus, 986 Niagara Ct.- After a car accident her doctor recommended message therapy as part of her recovery. This therapy has been very beneficial.
  - \*Marylou Mueller, 913 N. Webster St.- A neighbor to this property and a current client. This business will be an asset to the community.
  - \*Mark Centgraff, 720 N. Wisconsin St.- A neighbor to the property is in favor of this business locating themselves there. This new business will be good for the community.
  - \*Dr. Roger Weigel, Board of Directors of Blue Sky- I flew in from Washington to be at this meeting. The individuals providing message therapy are licensed by the State and are complete professionals.
  - \*Jennifer Harris, Ray of Light Message Therapy- This will be a complementary business to the neighborhood. It has ample parking for employees and clients. There are three therapists employed and will not all be working the same hours. There will be between one and three clients at the facility at one time and will only be there an hour at a time. Half of the clients are from Port Washington and the other half from surrounding communities. These clients coming

into the community also shop at the other businesses in town. Ray of Light is very active with our civic organizations, City events and the public schools health fair.

MOTION MADE BY ALDERMAN HUDSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN LARSON TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Ordinance 2010-21 (Rezoning Of Land At 700 And 704 N. Wisconsin Street From RM-1 Single And Two Family to CCM Central City Mixed)2<sup>nd</sup> Reading- Attorney Eberhardt commented on the recently available information regarding Ordinance 94-13. Also confirming that the properties at 700 and 704 N. Wisconsin are in fact shown as 1 lot, not 2 lots as previously thought. After reviewing the text in this ordinance and this recent information, there is no need to rezone this property. Alderman Hudson commented that rezoning to CCM is mute at this point, as the current zoning of RM-1 with a OOS Business Overlay District is adequate. Mark Grams informed Jennifer Harris that if she intends to have a sign she will need to provide the Plan Commission with that design for review.

MOTION MADE BY ALDERMAN VOLLMAR, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN HUDSON TO TABLE THIS ORDINANCE CONSIDERATION. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION MADE BY ALDERMAN HUDSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BECKER TO SEND THIS TO THE PLAN COMMISSION FOR FURTHER REVIEW OF AN OPERATIONAL PLAN. Motion carried unanimously.

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS-** None.

**10. NEW BUSINESS** -None.

**11. FORTHCOMING EVENTS-** Randy Tetzlaff informed the Council that Prism Manufacturing has extended their hiring by 2 employees above their projected amount. They've recently won a job bid from Briggs and Stratton.

Alderman Becker reminded everyone that it is Pearl Harbor Day today and thanked the veterans for their years of service.

Mayor Huebner commented on new web based organizations available to communicate information to the public. He would like the City Technology Committee to meet and review the other media options that would allow the City to get information out to the public.

**12. PUBLIC COMMENTS/APPEARANCES** – None.

**13. ADJOURNMENT-** MOTION MADE TO ADJOURN AT 8:28 P.M. BY ALDERMAN LARSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BECKER. Motion carried unanimously.