

**MINUTES**  
**CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, November 15, 2011, 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 Dan Becker, Dave Larson, Joe Dean, Burt Babcock, Jim Vollmar, Paul Neumyer and Mike Ehrlich. Also present: City Engineer Robert Vanden Noven, City Planner Randy Tetzlaff, City Attorney Eric Eberhardt and City Administrator Mark Grams. In the audience from Boy Scout Troop 875 working on a Communication Badge is Jake Huebner.

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

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approve Minutes Of Previous Meeting
- B. Approve Original Operator License Applications

MOTION MADE BY ALDERMAN BECKER, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN EHRlich TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED AND ORIGINAL OPERATOR LICENCES FOR ELIZABETH KERVIN AND LYDIAH MUNDT. Motion carried unanimously.

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

**5. OFFICERS'/STAFF REPORT**

- A. Update On Highway 33 Project- Rob Vanden Noven reported that the remaining east bound lanes will be paved and open between Saukville and Portview Drive before winter. Hwy 33 and County Road LL should be fully open by winter also.
- B. Update On North Lake Street Project- Rob Vanden Noven reported that the 1<sup>st</sup> lift of paved binder course is done. We Energies is putting in the street lights and the final pavement should be complete by Thursday. All landscaping will be completed in spring.
- C. Signing Of Sub-Leases With We Energies- Administrator Grams reported that the leases are signed and the City has control over the areas now. It will be closed until spring and then opened to the public. The grant applications have been sent to the DNR.

**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.-* None.

**7. COMMITTEES**

**A. FINANCE AND LICENSE COMMITTEE**

- 1. Public Hearing On The Proposed 2012 City Budgets And Tax Levy- Administrator Grams reported on the proposed 2012 budgets and tax levy.

There were no public comments made. MOTION MADE BY ALDERMAN LARSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN EHRLICH TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Resolution 2011-16 (Approve 2012 City Budgets, Tax Levy and Tax Rate) - MOTION MADE BY ALDERMAN BECKER, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN EHRLICH TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2011-16 AS PRESENTED. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **B. TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

1. Ordinance 2011-12 (Adding No Parking On W. Monroe Street) 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading- Administrator Grams reported that this recommendation came from the Traffic Safety Committee to move back the no parking area one stall from the corner. MOTION MADE TO APPROVE BY ALDERMAN BECKER, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN NEUMYER TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2011-12 AS PRESENTED. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **C. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

1. Approve Hiring Persons For Street Department- Administrator Grams reported on the two openings at the Street Department due to retirements. Both recommended individuals have backgrounds that bring added skills to our workforce. MOTION MADE BY ALDERMAN BABCOCK, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN NEUMYER TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF THE TWO RECOMMENDED INDIVIDUALS PENDING AN APPROVED BACKGROUND CHECK, CONTACT OF CURRENT EMPLOYER AND PHYSICAL EXAMINATION. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **8. BOARDS/COMMISSIONS**

##### **A. Plan Commission**

1. Public Hearing Regarding Renewing Conditional Use Grant For Schmitz Ready Mix, 775 Schmitz Drive- Randy Tetzlaff reported on the current conditional use that is up for renewal. Public Hearing was opened, there were no public comments made. MOTION MADE BY ALDERMAN BECKER, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN LARSON TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. Motion carried unanimously.
  
2. Approve Conditional Use Grant For Schmitz Ready Mix At 775 Schmitz Drive- Randy Tetzlaff read a letter from a neighbor of the business. The neighbor has no objection to the renewal of the conditional use. MOTION BY ALDERMAN BABCOCK, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN EHRLICH TO APPROVE THE RENEWAL OF THE CONDITIONAL USE GRANT SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE CITY ATTORNEY. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS- None.**

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Ordinance 2011-13 (Amend Chapter 11.01.010 Firearms And Concealed Weapons) 1<sup>st</sup> Reading- Administrator Grams reported the recommendation came from the Council at the last meeting. This ordinance will bring the City into compliance with the State law and will prohibit weapons in City buildings. Attorney Eberhardt reviewed the draft ordinance with the Council. This agenda item will appear on the next agenda for consideration.

B. Approve Closing Streets For Christmas On The Corner and The Christmas Parade, December 3<sup>rd</sup>- MOTION MADE BY ALDERMAN VOLLMAR, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN EHRLICH TO APPROVE THE STREET CLOSINGS AS PRESNETED. Motion carried unanimously.

**11. FORTHCOMING EVENTS-** Christmas Parade on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. The City Appreciation Dinner is on December 4<sup>th</sup> and responses are needed. Wine Tasting at Newport Shores for Port Catholic. A bee presentation will be given at the Library tomorrow night. Will Pfrang has completed his Eagle Scout project which is a nice asset to the City. Coastal Management calendar has been featured on the cover.

**12. PUBLIC COMMENTS/APPEARANCES-** Bethel Metz, 136 E. Van Buren St.- There is need for education regarding keeping honey bees and urban bee keeping. Charlie Keenan from the Urban Ecology Center in Milwaukee will be giving a presentation on urban bee keeping at the Library tomorrow night.

**13. Motion To Go Into Closed Session According To Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (e) Regarding The Sale Of Public Property That Deems The Need For Closed Session For Competitive And Bargaining Reasons-** MOTION MADE BY ALDERMAN LARSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BECKER TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION FOR THE REASONS STATED ABOVE. Voice Vote taken: AYE: Becker, Larson, Dean, Babcock, Vollmar, Neumyer and Ehrlich. Motion carried unanimously.

**14. Reconvene Into Open Session-** The Common Council reconvened at 9:02 p.m.

**15. Consider Any Item That Was Discussed In Closed Session For Possible Action-** No action was taken.

**16. ADJOURNMENT-** MOTION MADE BY ALDERMAN LARSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BECKER TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:03 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

