

MINUTES
CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, December 17, 2019, 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 Martin Becker. Members present were Alderpersons Deborah Postl, Paul Neumyer, Michael Gasper, Dan Benning, Jonathan Pleitner, Patrick Tearney and John Sigwart. Also present: City Engineer Rob Vanden Noven, City Planner Bob Harris, City Attorney Eric Eberhardt, City Administrator Mark Grams and City Clerk Susan Westerbeke.

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

MOTION MADE BY ALD. BENNING, SECONDED BY ALD. PLEITNER, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING AS PRESENTED AND AN OPERATOR LICENSE FOR TRISHA LAPLANT AND ABIGAIL SCHEMENAUER AS PRESENTED. Motion carried unanimously.

4. **MAYOR'S BUSINESS**

A. Update On Hales Trail Sidewalk- Mayor Becker reported on the process for sidewalk installment, first paid for by the developer or homeowner, then if repairs are needed the City covers the repairs. Sidewalks are usually placed on both sides of the street. Future discussions may be held on whether sidewalks should be installed on one side only.

5. **OFFICERS'/STAFF REPORT**

A. Discussion With Public Administration Associates On Process For Hiring New City

Administrator- The City Administrator introduced Kevin Brunner and Chris Swartz from PAA who were present to review the job description and timeline for the hiring process.

B. Update On 2020 Street Project- The City Engineer reported the Board of Public Works recommends proceeding with the plans as recommended. Storm Water plans will be reviewed. The 2020 design should be completed by February and then goes out to bid.

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- Nine residents were present to speak against the installation of sidewalks on Hales Trail, they included Tim Osowski, Tom Urban, Ken Jensen, Meaghan Hoffman, Jean Boothby, Robert Fechner, Michael Sapiro, Bret Hoffmann and Gary Weber. Mayor Martin Becker also spoke against the installation of sidewalks and encouraged Council to revisit this requirement and look at alternative solutions, including adding a pedestrian lane on the existing street.

7. **COMMITTEES**

A. FINANCE AND LICENSE COMMITTEE

1. Ordinance 2019-20 (An Ordinance Regulating Events, Event Licenses And Permits) 2nd

Reading- The City Attorney reviewed the changes that were made to the draft of the ordinance. There were a few minor changes that were approved by the Finance and License Committee, which was held prior to this meeting. Those changes include an appeal provisions for the applicant, barricades to be approved by the City Engineer and the ordinance applies to City sponsored events. MOTION MADE BY ALD. BENNING, SECONDED BY ALD. PLEITNER TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2019-20 WITH THE CHANGES PROVIDED BY THE CITY ATTORNEY AS PRESENTED. Ald. Sigwart requested the ordinance not be acted upon and held for final consideration at the next meeting when the current revisions have been included in a final version. VOTE TAKEN, AYE: 6, NO: 1 (SIGWART). Motion carried.

2. Approve Appointment Of New Agent For GPM Southeast, LLC d/b/a Rstore #4509 At 1100 S. Spring Street And Rstore #4510 At 1605 N. Wisconsin Street- Ald. Pleitner reported on the request for change of agent to these two licensed gas stations previously owned by Riiser Fuels/Mad Max. The Finance and License Committee recommends approval of the appointment. MOTION MADE BY ALD. PLEITNER, SECONDED BY ALD. POSTL TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF AMBER ZUBRICKY AS AGENT FOR GPM SOUTHEAST, LLC D/B/A RSTORE #4509 AND RSTORE #4510 AS PRESENTED. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approve Authorizing Loan Application To The Board Of Commissioners Of Public Lands, State Of Wisconsin, For Port Townhomes LLC (Lakepoint Development)- Ald. Pleitner reported Port Townhomes LLC is making their second request for a loan for environmental remediation and site improvement for their project on the former car/trailer parking lot. This loan is for Phase 2 of their project for the townhomes on Pier Street. The total request is \$47,425.80. Their first loan amount totaled \$229,615.45 for Phase 1 for the townhomes on Washington Street. There will be a third request when Phase 3 is completed for the townhomes to be built on Lake Street. Discussion was held on the remediation that may be needed on Phase 3. MOTION MADE BY ALD. BENNING, SECONDED BY ALD. PLEITNER TO APPROVE THE LOAN APPLICATION TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC LANDS, STATE OF WISCONSIN, FOR PORT TOWNHOMES LLC FOR \$47,425.80 AS PRESENTED. Motion carried unanimously.

8. BOARDS/COMMISSIONS

A. PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

1. Review And Possible Action On Relocation Of The Kiwanis Pavilion- Present to report was Recreation Director Kiley Schulte and Park Superintendent Jon Crain. The Park and Recreation Board discussed various locations for the Kiwanis Pavilion. The staff would like to see it relocated to Hill School Park to replace the failing existing shelter. Discussion was held and the Alderpersons mentioned various locations they feel would be preferable, which include the Marina district and next to the relocated Fish Cleaning Station, Veterans Park, southside of the Water Filtration Plant and Coal Dock Park. The City Attorney reviewed the developer's agreement for Newport Shores between the City and Ansay Development that specifies the demolition and reconstruction of the pavilion of similar size, design and on a public accessible site determined by the City at cost no more than \$45,000. This item will be discussed again at a future meeting.

B. POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION

1. Approve The Paid-On Premise Firefighter/EMT-P, Firefighter/A-EMT And Firefighter/EMT-B Positions Within The Fire Department- Chief Mark Mitchell was present to report on the paid-on premise staffing proposal. Currently the employees are paid on a sliding scale depending on their license level. This change would be including pay at an hourly rate while in the station on call and not by varying rates. It is difficult to find staff and they need full time staff. The cost for this change would be approximately \$3,800. MOTION MADE BY ALD. BENNING, SECONDED BY ALD. PLEITNER TO APPROVE THE PAID-ON PREMISE FOR FIREFIGHTER/EMT-P, FIREFIGHTER/A-EMT AND FIREFIGHTER/EMT-B POSITIONS AS PRESENTED. Motion carried unanimously.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS- None.

10. NEW BUSINESS- None.

11. FORTHCOMING EVENTS- Various events were mentioned.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS/APPEARANCES- None.

13. MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION ACCORDING TO WISCONSIN STATE STATUTE 19.85 (1)(C) TO DISCUSS EMPLOYMENT, PROMOTION, COMPENSATION OR EMPLOYEE EVALUATION OF ANY PUBLIC EMPLOYEE OVER WHICH THE GOVERNMENT BODY HAS JURISDICTION OR EXERCISES RESPONSIBILITY (POLICE UNION CONTRACT)-

Mayor Becker read the closed session item. MOTION MADE BY ALD. NEUMYER, SECONDED BY ALD. PLEITNER TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 9:39 P.M. FOR THE REASONS STATED ON THE AGENDA. ROLL CALL VOTE TAKEN; AYE: POSTL, NEUMYER, GASPER, BENNING, PLEITNER, TEARNEY, SIGWART. Motion carried unanimously.

14. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION TO TAKE ACTION, IF ANY, RELATING TO CLOSED SESSION DISCUSSIONS- The Council reconvened into open session at 9:53 p.m. MOTION MADE BY ALD. PLEITNER, SECONDED BY ALD. POSTL TO APPROVE THE POLICE UNION CONTRACT WITH THE AGREED UPON CHANGES AS PRESENTED. Motion carried unanimously.

15. ADJOURNMENT- MOTION MADE BY ALD. POSTL, SECONDED BY ALD. NEUMYER TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:54 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Susan L. Westerbeke, City Clerk