

## May 14, 2019 (open session)

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Fountain City was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Bobbi Farrand on Tuesday, May 14, 2019. Alderpersons present: Cheryl Braatz, Gwen Katula, Tyler Kulig, Barb Schmidtknecht, Sol Simon (by phone).

Open and closed session minutes of the May 9, 2019 meeting were considered. Amendments: Tyler Kulig should be noted as present; last four lines of closed session minutes dealing with clerk-treasurer's vacation and adjournment should be stricken. Motion Gwen, second Tyler to accept the open session minutes and closed session minutes of the May 9, 2019 council meeting as amended. Motion carried.

The Clerk-Treasurer provided the Mayor with a list of duties and priority tasks. This will be looked at later in closed session.

Council members agreed to re-order the agenda and consider Discussion of Well Project as the first item under new business. Dan Greeve from MSA Professional Services was present and provided additional information. Timing and cost of project, potential user rate increase, and grant(s) availability and eligibility were discussed. Motion Sol, second Tyler to approve the task order submitted by MSA for \$49,800. Motion failed with a 2-3 vote. Motion Sol, second Barb to refer new well project issue to Public Utilities Committee and Public Works Committee for them to come up with a timeline of tasks to continue to work on the new well project. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion Gwen, second Barb to strike from the agenda the following items: 1) Preparation of Application for DNR Safe Drinking Water Loan Program for Funding of the Well Project for Submittal to Wisconsin DNR, 2) Preparation of Plan/Specification for Construction of a Test Well at 820 S. Hill Street and Test Pumping of Well for Submittal to Wisconsin DNR, 3) Preparation of Plans/Specification for a Final Well and Test Pumping of the Well for Submittal to Wisconsin DNR, 4) Resolution for an Authorized Representative to File Applications for Financial Assistance from State of Wisconsin Environmental Improvement Fund, 5) Resolution Declaring Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures. Motion carried.

Motion Gwen, second Tyler to authorize the mayor to sign an updated corporate resolution certificate with Edward Jones. Motion carried. This certificate updates the previous one dated February 12, 2019.

Motion Cheryl, second Gwen to authorize the mayor, council president, and finance chair to sign an updated account authorization and agreement form with Edward Jones. Motion carried.

Motion Barb, second Gwen to disburse \$3,438.12 to the Rhubarb Festival Committee. Motion carried.

Motion Gwen, second Barb to assign 2018 surplus funds of \$25,454 to the streets/roads fund, and to assign other accumulated funds that were not previously assigned as follows: \$100,000 to equipment fund, \$100,000 to park/recreation fund, \$15,000 to auditorium fund, \$20,000 to comprehensive plan fund, \$165,000 to streets/roads fund. Motion Sol, second Tyler to amend the motion to assign other accumulated funds to include \$25,000 to park/recreation fund and \$240,000 to streets/roads fund. Motion carried. Original motion carried as amended.

Mayor Farrand excused the clerk-treasurer and read the following: to consider a motion to convene in Closed Session under section 19.85(1)(c) of the Wisconsin Statutes for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Motion Gwen, second by Cheryl to go into closed session. Roll call: Cheryl Braatz-yes, Gwen Katula-yes, Tyler Kulig-yes, Barb Schmidtknecht-yes, Sol Simon-yes. Motion carried and meeting went into closed session.

(closed session)

Meeting reconvened in open session.

Motion Sol, second Tyler to hire Andre Tax and Accounting Services for accounting services. Motion Gwen, second Cheryl to amend the motion to include office help and accounting services. Motion carried. Original motion carried as amended. Randy would like to meet clerk-treasurer at city hall to determine time commitment and fee. Motion Sol, second Cheryl to approve up to 10 hours a week for the office help and accounting services. Motion carried.

Motion Gwen, second Cheryl to table consideration of Max Singer for part-time cemetery worker. Motion carried.

Motion Gwen, second Barb to pay the bills presented except for NEI Electric. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Gwen, second by Cheryl. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barb Schmidtknecht