



Common Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 14, 2020, 6:30 p.m.

Present: Gwen Katula, Mayor; Alderpersons Tyler Kulig, Cheryl Braatz, Barb Schmidtknecht, Jim Kafer, David Kellam, Neil Isakson; Staff Gil Adams, Michelle Copley

1. Call to Order
2. *Called to order at 6:30 p.m.*
3. Citizen Appearance/Public Comment
Dave Schams from the Flyway Trail gave a brief update on the progress of the Flyway Trail. The nonprofit is in need of board members and given the future benefit to Fountain City from users of the trail he asked for representation from City Council on the Flyway Trail board.
4. Approval of Minutes of June 9, 2020 Common Council Meeting
Motion/second (Braatz/Kafer) to approve the minutes from the June 9, 2020 Common Council Meeting. Passed unanimously.
5. Reports
 - a. Police/Personnel/Health & Safety Committee
Braatz updated council on process for a public works staff and reviewed the FC Police activity report.
 - b. Historic Preservation Commission
John Schlesselman updated council on the process of designating the old fire station as an historic building, including the need for a public hearing.
6. Old Business – Discussion and possible action
 - a. 2019 Audit – Final presented by Russell & Associates
Brian Russell from Russel & Associates reviewed the audited financial statements for 2019. Motion/second (Schmidtknecht/Kulig) to accept the 2019 audited financial statements for Fountain City as presented. Passed unanimously.
 - b. Road Repair – recommended streets
Discussion of repairs on multiple streets. Further discussion required regarding specific type of repair to be done and costs.
 - c. Alternate Side Parking Ordinance
Motion/second (Braatz/Kulig) to adopt the Amendment to Alternate Side Parking Ordinance No. 61 which specifically defines time periods, regulations of alternate side parking and warnings and regulations. Passed Unanimously.
 - d. Snow removal truck for upcoming winter
Discussion of the need for a larger capacity truck for snow removal allowing quicker clearing of streets, reduced time for public works staff, and less wear and tear on existing trucks. Further research to be done by public works staff and committee.
7. New Business – Discussion and possible action:
 - a. Adopt Resolution #0120 Compliance Maintenance Annual Report for 2019
Motion/second (Braatz/Kellam) to adopt Resolution #0120 reviewing the Compliance Maintenance Annual Report for 2019. Passed unanimously.

- b. Sean O'Flaherty – Notice of Firm Change
Discussion of notice received from Sean O'Flaherty that he was separating from his current firm and establishing the firm of O'Flaherty Law LLC.
Motion/second (Schmidtknecht/Braatz) to move existing city files from O'Flaherty Heim Birnbaum Kirchner & Curtis LTD to O'Flaherty Law LLC and continue to use Sean O'Flaherty as city counsel. Passed unanimously.
 - c. Jefferson and Washington Sewer line issue
Public Works Committee will develop plan for preventing future issues along this part of the sewer line.
 - d. Increase hours and wages for Police Department Employees
Police hours are down in 2020 due to COVID restrictions. Both officers are again working their hours and requesting increased hours and an increase in hourly wage to be comparable to their wages county Sheriff's pay.
Motion/second (Braatz/Kulig) to increase police hours to 30 per month, per person (or 15 per pay period per person) for the remainder of 2020 and to increase each officer's hourly wage by \$1 per hour. Passed unanimously.
 - e. Revised Public Works General Maintenance Worker job description
PPHS committee has reviewed and revised the job description based on suggested of legal counsel at the League of Wisconsin Municipalities. Additional changes suggested regarding DNR licensing and state-issued ID.
Motion/second (Kulig/Kellam) to approve the Public Works General Maintenance Worker Job Description subject to suggested revisions. Passed unanimously.
 - f. Buffalo County request for input – ATV routes and policy
Discussion of proposed Buffalo County ordinance regarding ATV use on marked trails. The county is asking for input from municipalities.
 - g. Authorize Clerk to pay invoices from J&D Lawncare upon receipt
Motion/second (Braatz/Kafer) to authorize clerk to pay invoices from J&D Lawncare upon receipt. Passed unanimously.
 - h. Application for Temporary Class B Beer License: Fountain City Lions Club
Motion/second (Schmidtknecht/Isakson) to approve the application for a Temporary Class B Liquor License for the Fountain City Lions Club even on August 15, 2020. Passed Unanimously.
 - i. Application for Operator's License
Motion/second to approve Operator's licenses for Lindsey Becker, Sean Merchlewitz, Molly Bartlett, Caitlin Kling, Jill Hund and Sheila Becker. Passed unanimously.
8. Accounts Payable
Motion/second (Kafer/Kellam) to approve payment of accounts payable as presented. Passed unanimously.
9. Adjourn
Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.