

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF HUDSON
August 6, 2018

The Common Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Rich O'Connor at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mayor Rich O'Connor, Randy Morrissette II, Bill Alms, Paul Deziel, Jim Webber, Sarah Atkins Hoggatt and Joyce Hall.

Also Present: Catherine Munkittrick, Brenda Malinowski, Scott St. Martin, Brandon Lyksett, Josh Olson, Ken Holman, Geoff Willems and others.

Swearing In Ceremony: Municipal Judge Sue Gherty gave the oath of office to Officer Shane Klimek.

Life Saver Award: Police Chief Willems awarded a Hudson Police Department Life Saver Award to Sergeant Glen Hartman, Officer Kate Potter and Officer Luke Radke for their exemplary efforts in saving the life of an individual who had overdosed on drugs. EMS Chief Lyksett awarded these individuals an award for their efforts on behalf of Regions Hospital.

Public Hearing: Mayor O'Connor opened the public hearing on a zoning map amendment from PCD-1, Planned Commercial District to PUB, Public and comprehensive plan use land designation from General Commercial to Public at 2001 Ward Avenue at 7:05 p.m.

There was no public comment received.

MOTION by Morrissette, second by Alms, to close the public hearing at 7:06 p.m. All ayes (6). Motion Carried.

Ordinance 18-18: MOTION by Morrissette, second by Alms, to waive first reading of Ordinance 18-18. Roll call vote. All ayes (6). Motion Carried.

MOTION by Morrissette, second by Alms, to adopt Ordinance 18-18 amending the zoning map from PCD-1, Planned Commercial District to PUB, Public and comprehensive plan use land designation from General Commercial to Public at 2001 Ward Avenue. All ayes (6). Motion Carried.

Comments and Suggestions from Citizens Present: Public comment was received.

Consent Agenda: MOTION by Alms, seconded by Hall to approve the following consent agenda items:

- A. Approve the regular meeting minutes of July 23, 2018.
- B. Approve claims in the amount of \$753,516.71.
- C. Contingent upon payment any outstanding debt owed to the City and successful completion of the background check, approve the issuance of one Regular Operator Licenses for the period of August 7, 2018 to June 30, 2020 to: Anthony Sylte and to approve one Temporary Operator Licenses for the Heart of the River event on September 14th to Katherine Wright.
- D. Approve a Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" license to the St. Croix River Association for the Heart of the River event on September 14, 2018. Approve the Finance Director's six-month report for period ending June 30, 2018.
- E. Approve the Finance Director's six-month report for period ending June 30, 2018.

Roll Call Vote Taken. All ayes (6). Motion Carried.

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Emerald Ash Borer update: Ken Holman, Chair of the Urban Forestry Board presented information on the Emerald Ash Borer that was found recently in the commercial district near I-94 in Hudson. He encouraged citizens to review the information on the City's website regarding the City's efforts in this area. He also answered questions on the issue.

Coulee Road Retaining Wall: MOTION by Webber, second by Deziel, to approve the letter of engagement with Bolton & Menk for engineering services for repairs to the retaining wall on Coulee Road at a cost not to exceed \$15,100. All ayes (6). Motion carried.

Set Public Hearing Date – LandDevCo Rezoning: MOTION by Webber, second by Atkins Hoggatt, to set a public hearing date for September 4, 2018, for a zoning map amendment from AR, Agricultural Residential, to RM-1, Multiple Family Residential, for a 13.57 acre M/L portion of St. Croix County Tax Parcel 040-1025-70-000 (LandDevCo of Hudson LLC). All ayes (6). Motion carried.

Director of Public Works and Parks: MOTION by Morrisette, second by Alms, to appoint Michael Mroz to serve as the Director of Public Works and Parks effective August 13, 2018. All ayes (6). Motion carried.

Fire Station construction management RFP: MOTION by Alms, second by Hall, to authorize the issuance of an RFP for construction management for a new fire station. All ayes (6). Motion carried.

Park Board Appointment: MOTION by Hall, second by Webber, to approve the Mayor's appointment of Brian Eckholm to the Park Board. All ayes (6). Motion carried.

EMS Study Ad Hoc Committee: MOTION by Webber, second by Alms, to appoint the following individuals to an Ad Hoc Committee to review the RFPs received for the St. Croix EMS Operations study: Rich O'Connor, Jim Webber, Bill Alms, Stan Wekkin (North Hudson), Jeff Johnson (Town of Hudson), and Dan Pearson (Troy). All ayes (6). Motion carried.

Communications from Council Members: Thanks were expressed for the timely completion of Hanley Road. A request to look at an ordinance related to panhandlers was sent to the Public Safety Committee. Joint utilization of the Public Utilities building was referred to the Public Works Committee.

Closed Session: MOTION by Alms, second by Hall, to enter into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1) (c) and 19.85 (1)(f) to consider job performance evaluation data and preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems related to the EMS Department. Roll Call Vote Taken. All ayes (6). Motion Carried. Council went in to closed session at 7:48 p.m.

Reconvene in Open Session: MOTION BY Alms, second by Hall, to reconvene in Open Session at 8:32 p.m. All ayes (6). Motion Carried.

Adjournment: MOTION by Hall, second by Alms, to adjourn at 8:33 p.m. All ayes (6). Motion carried.

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Devin J. Willi, City Administrator/Interim City Clerk

I hereby certify that the City Administrator/Interim City Clerk has submitted the foregoing minutes to me, and I hereby by my signature approve said minutes and all acts of the Common Council as set forth therein.

Rich O'Connor, Mayor
Date approved by Council: 8/20/18