



REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF HUDSON
September 17, 2018

The Common Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Rich O'Connor at 7:03 p.m.

Boy Scouts Troup #148 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Mayor Rich O'Connor, Randy Morrisette II, Bill Alms, Paul Deziel, Jim Webber, Sarah Atkins-Hoggatt and Joyce Hall.

OTHERS PRESENT: Devin Willi, Catherine Munkittrick, Brenda Malinowski, Jennifer Rogers, Mike Mroz, Scott St. Martin, Rebecca Mariscal, Tom Zeuli and family and others.

Mayor O'Connor presented Tom Zeuli with a plaque of appreciation on behalf of the City for his 40 years of service to the City of Hudson as its Public Works & Parks Director. Tom Zeuli spoke a few words of appreciation to the City and thankfulness for the support his family gave over the years.

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT

None

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve the regular meeting minutes of September 4, 2018.
- B. Approve the Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes of August 9, 2018.
- C. Approve the Public Utilities Commission Meeting Minutes of September 11, 2018.
- D. Approve claims in the amount of \$1,192,114.15
- E. Approve the agreement between the City of Hudson and River Valley Deer Management, LLC.
- F. Approve the 2019-2021 Assessment contract with Bowmar Appraisal.
- G. Approve the extension of the St. Croix Sailing School Lease Agreement
- H. Contingent upon payment of any outstanding debt owed to the City and successful completion of a background check, approve the issuance of 7 Regular Operator Licenses for the period of September 18, 2018 to June 30, 2020.
- I. Approve the St. Patrick's Faith and Wellness Walk scheduled for September 19, 2018.
- J. Approve the Yellowstone Trail Committee's Yellowstone Trail event scheduled for October 13, 2018. Approve the three events submitted by the Celebrate the Holidays Committee. Light Up the Night scheduled for November 23, 2018, Candlelight Stroll scheduled for November 30, 2018 and Santa and His Critters scheduled for December 1, 2018.
- K. Approve the request to hold a Block Party on 6th St. from Vine to Locust.

Motion: Webber made a motion, second by Hall, to approve the consent agenda.

Discussion: None. **Vote:** All ayes (6). Motion Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion and Possible Action on Resolution 14-18 in Support of the WI DNR Grant Application for Lake Mallalieu Fishing Improvements.

Public Works & Park Director, Mike Mroz, stated that this resolution was brought before council in the past, but failed. There is now funding available for a 75-25 match. The \$3,200 will come from the Public Works funds.

Motion: Morrissette made a motion, second by Webber, to suspend the rules.

Vote: All ayes (6) Motion carried.

Motion: Morrissette made a motion, second by Deziel, to approve Resolution 14-18 and apply for the WI DNR grant application for Lake Mallalieu Fishing Improvements.

Discussion: None **Vote:** All ayes (6) Motion carried.

Communications and Recommendations of the Mayor

Mayor O'Connor strongly encouraged each department head to work closely with the commissions when preparing recommendations for the 2019 budget.

Communications and Items for Future Agendas

None

City Attorney and/or City Staff

Nothing to report

Discussion and Possible Action on convening into closed session.

- A. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1)(c) employment, compensation or performance evaluation data related to EMS Interim Director personnel issues.
- B. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1)(e) to deliberate regarding negotiation strategy regarding the City's contracts with adjacent municipalities regarding providing St. Croix EMS services to those municipalities where competitive and bargaining reasons require and pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1)(g) to confer with legal counsel regarding strategy the governing body may adopt in litigation in which the City is likely to become involved relating to those contracts.

Motion: Hall made a motion, second by Webber, to convene in Closed Session.

Discussion: None **Vote:** All ayes (6) Motion carried.

Council convened into Closed Session at 7:15 pm.

Discussion and Possible Action on reconvening into Open Session

Motion: Alms made a motion, second by Webber, to reconvene into Open Session.

Discussion: None **Vote:** All ayes (6) Motion carried.
Council reconvened into Open Session at 8:36 pm.

Discussion and any Possible Action on Closed Session Items A and B listed above.

City attorney, Catherine Munkittrick stated that the council members deliberated regarding the matter of employment and position of Mr. Elkin as interim EMS Director and as a paramedic. Council reviewed the investigative report provided by an independent attorney. City also reviewed the city policy contained in 37-2 of the Code. The Council found that Mr. Elkin's conduct did not meet the standard.

Motion: Paul Deziel made a motion, second by Webber, to terminate Mr. Elkin as interim EMS Director and as a paramedic for the City effective immediately.

Discussion: None **Vote:** All ayes (6) Motion carried.

Adjourn

Motion: Webber made a motion, second by Hall, to adjourn.

Vote: All ayes (6). Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk

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

/s/ Rich O'Connor, Mayor

Date approved by Council: 10/01/2018