

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE BELOIT CITY COUNCIL 100 State Street, Beloit WI 53511 Monday, November 17, 2014

Presiding:

Mark Spreitzer

Present:

Sheila De Forest, Charles M. Haynes, Regina Hendrix, Ana Kelly, Chuck Kincaid, and

David F. Luebke

Absent:

None

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Forum at Beloit City Hall.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Beloit Public Library Interim Co-Director Jennifer Laatz introduced Beloit Public Library Director Nick Dimassis to the Council and the public. On behalf of herself and Interim Co-Director Jeni Schomber, Ms. Laatz thanked the Council and the City Manager for their support during the transition. Mr. Dimassis thanked Ms. Laatz and Ms. Schomber, the Library Board of Directors, particularly John Watrous, the City Council, the City Manager, and the residents of Beloit for their support of the library and its services. Mr. Dimassis said that this is an exciting time for libraries and that he is looking forward to the library continuing to serve as a pillar of the educational community and an engine for economic development. Ms. Laatz said that there will be a welcome reception for Mr. Dimassis in the Library's Community Room on November 21<sup>st</sup> from 4:00-5:00 p.m. Councilor Spreitzer welcomed Mr. Dimassis and thanked Ms. Laatz and Ms. Schomber for their service as interim directors.
  - b. Councilor Luebke presented a proclamation recognizing the **Beloit Memorial High School Concert Choir** to Jacob Truby. Mr. Truby thanked the Council and said that he is grateful for the support of the School Board and Administration. He introduced members of the Concert Choir in the audience who sang a song. File 7148
  - c. Monica Krysztopa, Executive Director of Visit Beloit, presented the City and Vision Partner's Rebranding Program. She indicated that the goal of this project was to create a cohesive brand among all of the vision partners.

#### 4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. Community Development Director Julie Christensen presented a resolution authorizing a Conditional Use Permit to allow a pick-up window in a CBD-2, Central Business District Fringe, zoning district, for the property located at 658 Fourth Street. It was noted that the Plan Commission recommended approval 7-0. Councilor Spreitzer opened and closed the public hearing without participation. Councilor Kelly asked about parking, and Ms. Christensen stated that there is no parking requirement in this zoning district but that the applicant is proposing terrace parking along St. Lawrence Avenue. Councilor De Forest said that she is concerned about space on the property and asked about the circular drive. Ms. Christensen explained that the circular drive serves as a bypass lane, which is required by the Zoning Ordinance. Councilor Spreitzer asked if the applicant could meet all of the conditions outlined in the resolution, and Mr. Gabriele said that he could. Councilor Luebke made a motion to adopt the resolution, and Councilor De Forest seconded. The motion carried 7-0. File 8664
- b. Ms. Christensen presented a resolution amending the **HOME** Investment Partnership Budget. Ms. Christensen stated that the money needs to be spent and that acquisition and rehabilitation are eligible HOME expenses. Councilor Spreitzer opened and closed the public hearing without

participation. Councilor Kincaid made a motion to adopt the resolution, and Councilor Kelly seconded. The motion carried 7-0. File 8617

## 5. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - none

#### 6. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilor Kincaid made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda, which consists of items 6.a. through 6.e. Councilor Luebke seconded, and the motion carried that the Consent Agenda be accepted, approved, adopted, or referred and acted upon as required by state and local codes by a vote of 7-0.

a. The Minutes of the regular meeting of November 3, 2014, were approved.

- b. The application for a Conditional Use Permit to allow a drive-up automated teller machine (ATM) in a CBD-1, Central Business District Core, for the property located at 419 Pleasant Street, was referred to the Plan Commission. File 8319
- c. The resolution approving a four-lot **Certified Survey Map** for the property located at 2600 Coyote Run was adopted. File 7258

 d. The resolution approving Final Payment for Public Works Contract C13-15, Ute Standpipe Repainting, was adopted. File 8606

e. The resolution approving **Final Payment** for Public Works Contract C14-06, Ritsher Street Sanitary Sewer Relay, was adopted. File 8648

#### ORDINANCES

a. Operations Director Chris Walsh presented a proposed ordinance to amend various sections of 17.06 of the Code of General Ordinance of the City of Beloit pertaining to the regulation of Solid Waste. She indicated that several definitions have been amended to provide more clarity and that the fees were all placed in one section. Councilor De Forest noted that not all residents understand the term "white goods" and encouraged Ms. Walsh to continue to also use the term appliances. Councilor Haynes made a motion to suspend the rules and offer a second reading of the ordinance. Councilor Kelly seconded, and the motion carried 7-0. On the merits of the ordinance, Councilor De Forest made a motion to enact. Councilor Hendrix seconded, and the motion carried 7-0. File 6824 Ordinance 3548

## 8. APPOINTMENTS

Councilor Spreitzer announced the openings and submitted the following appointments to City Committees, Boards, and Commissions for approval. Councilor Luebke made a motion to approve the appointments, and Councilor Kincaid seconded. The motion carried 7-0.

- a. Community Development Authority: Erin Moffitt for a term ending December 31, 2016.
   File 6054
- Landmarks Commission: Ellen E. Joyce for a term ending October 31, 2017, and Stephen Truesdale for a term ending October 31, 2017. File 5860
- c. Municipal Golf Committee: Edwin Armstrong as the Men's Club Representative. File 7382

# 9. COUNCILOR ACTIVITIES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

- Councilor Luebke encouraged the public to get involved in Downtown Beloit Association's upcoming winter activities.
- Councilor De Forest said that she enjoyed volunteering at the Kids Against Hunger event; thanked Brett Herbert and Mark Edwards for the City Parks and Trails brochures; and announced that there will be a meeting on November 21<sup>st</sup> with the NAACP to discuss minorities in schools. She said that the choir was wonderful and that she is grateful to all Beloiters for making everyone feel welcome.
- Councilor Kincaid said that he attended the Community Foundation's Women's Fund luncheon and that they have a worthy mission of helping young girls and women become self-sufficient.

- Councilor Hendrix said that she visited a successful teen center in Milwaukee to gain insight; that she attended the Kids Against Hunger event; and that she volunteered at Challenge Day at Beloit Memorial High School.
- Councilor Kelly said that she attended the BMSH choir event in Madison and the Women's Fund luncheon. She said that working the election and volunteering at Challenge Day were very rewarding.
- Councilor Spreitzer said that the Women's Fund luncheon was a fantastic event. He said that he
  attended an Open House for Community Action and welcomed its new Executive Director. He
  said that he will attend the Lager with Legislators event and the retirement party for Marcy
  Berner-Reedy.

#### 10. CITY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION

a. City Manager Larry Arft announced that he will retire on July 3, 2015, with his last day of work being June 3, 2015. Mr. Arft said that he has enjoyed his tenure with the City of Beloit and will remain active and engaged for the last several months. He said that he will provide whatever assistance is requested by the City Council in hiring a new City Manager.

## 11. REPORTS FROM BOARD AND CITY OFFICERS

- a. Finance and Administrative Services Director Eric Miller presented a resolution authorizing reporting under the Securities and Exchange Commission's Municipalities Continuing Disclosure Cooperation Initiative. Mr. Miller stated that the City was notified by an underwriter that the City has filed financial disclosures past deadlines. He said that, upon further research regarding the filing deadlines, the City had only filed late twice and those are not considered material. He requested that the City Council adopt the resolution allowing the City to file if needed. Councilor Luebke made a motion to adopt the resolution, and Councilor Kelly seconded. The motion carried 7-0. File 8514
- b. Mr. Miller presented a resolution declaring Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures from proceeds of borrowing. He said that the City Council approved the 2015 Capital Improvements Plan in November but that the bonds to pay for the projects will not be issued until spring of 2015. Mr. Miller stated that this resolution allows the City to pay for projects that will begin before the bonds are issued and reimburse through borrowing. Councilor Haynes made a motion to adopt the resolution, and Councilor Kelly seconded. The motion carried 7-0. File 8649
- c. City Attorney Elizabeth Krueger presented a resolution approving Second Amendment to Equipment Location Lease with New Cingular Wireless for space on water tower site at 138 Mill Street. She indicated that the City found an overpayment of rent by New Cingular Wireless and that it will be repaid through a rent credit. Councilor De Forest made a motion to adopt the resolution, and Councilor Kincaid seconded. The motion carried 7-0. File 7595
- d. Ms. Krueger presented a resolution approving Second Amendment to Equipment Location Lease with New Cingular Wireless for space on water tower site at 2995 Cranston Road. Councilor Haynes made a motion to adopt the resolution, and Councilor Hendrix seconded. The motion carried 7-0. File 7595
- e. City Manager Larry Arft presented a resolution adopting a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Beloit and the Wisconsin Professional Police Association/Law Enforcement Employee Relations Division (WPPA/LEER). He indicated that this is a four-year contract starting in 2014 and that the biggest change was post-employment health insurance. Councilor De Forest asked how the officers voted on the contract, and Mr. Arft indicated that the majority of the union voted to accept the terms. Councilor Luebke made a motion to adopt the resolution, and Councilor Haynes seconded. The motion carried 7-0. File 6065

12. At 8:28 p.m., Councilor Hendrix made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Councilor Kelly seconded. The motion carried 7-0.

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Date approved by Council: December 1, 2014



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Present:

Sheila De Forest, Charles M. Haynes (arrived at 6:06 p.m.), Regina Hendrix (arrived at 6:14

p.m.), Ana Kelly, Chuck Kincaid, and David F. Luebke

Absent:

None

1. Councilor Spreitzer called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. in the 4<sup>th</sup> floor City Manager's Conference Room at City Hall.

- 2. Councilor Kincaid made a motion to adjourn into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(c) to consider the employment status of a public employee. Councilor De Forest seconded. The motion carried, and the Council adjourned into closed session at 6:04 p.m.
- 3. At 6:25 p.m., Councilor Luebke made a motion to adjourn the closed session meeting. Councilor Haynes seconded, and the motion carried.

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