



PROCEEDINGS OF THE BELOIT CITY COUNCIL
100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511
Monday, August 5, 2013

Presiding: Charles M. Haynes
Present: Sheila De Forest, Chuck Kincaid, Kevin D. Leavy, David F. Luebke, Mark Spreitzer, and James E. Van De Bogart
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
3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY/ANNOUNCEMENTS
 - a. City Manager Larry Arft and Vice President Mark Spreitzer presented the **NAHRO 2013 National Award of Merit in Program Innovation – Affordable Housing** to the Beloit Housing and Community Development Authority for the Parker Bluff Redevelopment, to Cathy Pollard, Director of the Beloit Housing Authority. Ms. Pollard said that this award was based on the special financing of this project and would not have been possible without the financial backing from the City Council. Ms. Pollard thanked the Council for their support throughout the project.
 - b. Councilor Spreitzer presented a proclamation declaring August 6, 2013 as **National Night Out** to Police Chief Norm Jacobs. Chief Jacobs thanked the Council on behalf of the Police Department and the event's organizers. He thanked the Department of Public Works and the Fire Department for their work on the event. File 7148
 - c. Councilor Spreitzer presented a **Certificate of Appreciation** recognizing Nicki Yoss for renting Krueger Pool and inviting the community for a free swim to Nicki Yoss. Councilor Spreitzer thanked Ms. Yoss for providing free use of the pool, lunch, and entertainment for the public on one of the hottest days of the year. Ms. Yoss said that she did not do this for the recognition but thanked the Council for the Certificate. She encouraged the public to be part of the solution.
4. PUBLIC HEARINGS
 - a. Community Development Director Julie Christensen presented a proposed Ordinance amending the City of Beloit's Future Land Use Map of the **Comprehensive Plan** from Single-family Residential-Urban to Institutional and Community Service for 1536 Forest Avenue; 1537 and 1543 W. Grand Avenue; and 1650 and 1654 Porter Avenue. It was noted that the Plan Commission recommended approval 4-0. Ms. Christensen noted that the properties are part of the School District's expansion plans for Gaston and Merrill Elementary Schools. President Haynes opened and closed the public hearing without participation. Councilor Van De Bogart made a motion to suspend the rules and offer a second reading. Councilor Luebke seconded, and the motion carried 7-0. On the merits of the ordinance, Councilor Van De Bogart made a motion to enact. Councilor Luebke seconded, and the motion carried 7-0. File 8586 Ordinance 3493
 - b. Mr. Christensen presented a proposed Ordinance amending the **Zoning District Map** to change the zoning district classification of the properties located at 1536 Forest Avenue; 1537 and 1543 W. Grand Avenue; and 1650 and 1654 Porter Avenue from R-1B, Single family Residential District, to PLI, Public Lands and Institutions District. It was noted that the Plan Commission recommended approval 4-0. President Haynes opened and closed the public hearing without participation. Councilor Van De Bogart made a motion to suspend the rules and offer a second reading. Councilor Luebke seconded, and the motion carried 7-0. On the merits of the ordinance, Councilor De Forest made a motion to enact. Councilor Leavy seconded, and the motion carried 7-0. File 8586 Ordinance 3494
 - c. Ms. Christensen presented a resolution amending the **2013 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Action Plan and Budget**. She indicated that the City of Beloit will be receiving

more funds than staff originally budgeted. She said that the Community Development Authority reviewed and recommended approval of the amendment and that no one from the public provided input during the public comment period. President Haynes opened and closed the public hearing without participation. Councilor Luebke made a motion to adopt the resolution, and Councilor Spreitzer seconded. Councilor Van De Bogart asked how the City got so lucky to receive additional money, and Ms. Christensen indicated that the federal government is not providing additional CDBG funds but that the formula for the distribution of those funds has changed and will benefit Beloit. The motion carried 7-0. File 8571

5. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

- Stephanie West, 3435 Riverside Drive, spoke as Vice Chairperson of the Greater Beloit Crimestoppers in support of an expansion of the City's Sign Ordinance to allow digital billboards. She said that these billboards may be used to advertise community events and Amber Alerts and are a beneficial tool for communication. Councilor Leavy asked that staff follow up on this request.
- Joe Hanson, 2516 Cliffcorn Drive, said that he owns two apartment buildings on Sixth Street. He said that the terrace between the road and the sidewalk is only four feet wide, which creates a problem with the streets are plowed in the winter because there is no place for the snow to be stored. He requested that the street be plowed like the downtown area where the snow is plowed into the center of the street and then removed at a later time. Councilor Haynes indicated that this is an operational issue, not one that may be decided by the City Council. He said that staff would follow up with Mr. Hanson.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilor Haynes requested that item 6.i. be removed from the Consent Agenda. Councilor Leavy made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda, which consists of items 6.a. through 6.h. 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 July 15, 2013 and the Special Meeting of July 24, 2013 was approved.
- b. The application for a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow a Residential Care Apartment Complex in a C-1, Office District, for the property located at 2157 Schuster Drive, was referred to the Plan Commission. File 8543
- c. The application for a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow a drive-through use, outdoor seating area, and indoor alcohol sales in a C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District, for the property located at 2777 Milwaukee Road, was referred to the Plan Commission. File 7832
- d. The application for a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow indoor alcohol sales in a C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District, for the property located at 946 Wisconsin Avenue, was referred to the Plan Commission. File 8604
- e. The application for **Class "B" Beer and "Class C" Wine License** for Jesus Garcia, d/b/a Restaurant La Fuente, 946 Wisconsin Avenue was referred to the ABLCC. File 8590
- f. The resolution awarding **Public Works Contract C13-07**, Street Resurfacing, was adopted. File 8605
- g. The resolution awarding **Public Works Contract C13-15**, Ute Court Standpipe Repainting, was adopted. File 8606
- h. The resolution awarding **Public Works Contract C13-14**, Shirland Avenue Bridge Seal, was adopted. File 8607
- i. Public Works Director Gregory Boysen introduced Operations Director Chris Walsh. Ms. Walsh presented a resolution approving **Contract for Sale/Purchase** of Clean Mixed Paper between the City of Beloit and Beloit Box Board Company, Inc. Ms. Walsh indicated that this 10-year contract is a win for the City and a win for Beloit Box Board Company. Councilor Luebke said that he likes that this contract is going to a local company. Councilor Spreitzer asked if this contract would have any impact on the possibility of automated collection in the future, and Ms. Walsh indicated that recycling would not be part of any automated refuse collection program. Councilor Luebke made a motion to adopt the resolution, and Councilor De Forest seconded. The motion carried 7-0. File 7581

7. ORDINANCES

- a. Mr. Arft presented a proposed Ordinance to repeal and recreate section 1.04 of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit relating to certain **Residency Requirements** for certain Municipal employees. Mr. Arft explained that, due to a change in state law, the City can no longer enforce any residency requirement and that he is recommending that the existing ordinance be repealed. He stated that the City will continue to stress the importance of residency to new hires and persuade employees to live in the City. Councilor Spreitzer made a motion to suspend the rules and offer a second reading of the ordinance. Councilor Leavy seconded, and the motion carried 7-0. Councilor De Forest requested that the City Council receive an annual report of the residency status of top managers, and Mr. Arft indicated that he would provide that during the annual budget process. On the merits of the ordinance, Councilor Van De Bogart made a motion to enact. Councilor Leavy seconded, and the motion carried 7-0. File 6543 Ordinance 3495

8. APPOINTMENTS – none

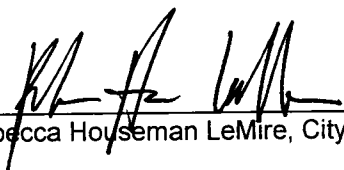
9. COUNCILOR ACTIVITIES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

- Councilor De Forest said that the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is looking for input on the process and impact of the I-39/90 expansion project and that she has been lobbying for a construction training site to be located in Beloit. She said that there will be a bone marrow typing drive on August 17th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Merrill Community Center, which will allow individuals to determine their bone marrow type and be placed on the national registry.
- Councilor Van De Bogart encouraged the Council and the public to participate in National Night Out by bicycle.
- Councilor Kincaid said that it was a great weekend in Beloit. He said that he saw Councilor Luebke at the Beloit and Beyond bike ride.
- Councilor Luebke said that the previous weekend was a fantastic one to be in Beloit due to the Street Dance, the bike ride, the farmers market, and the weather.
- Councilor Spreitzer encouraged the public to participate in National Night Out on August 6th.
- Councilor Leavy said that the Street Dance drew people from all over the area and said that resident should get out, drive around, and be amazed at the great things happening in Beloit.

10. CITY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION – none

11. REPORTS FROM BOARD AND CITY OFFICERS – none

12. At 7: 55 p.m., Councilor Leavy made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Councilor Spreitzer seconded. The motion carried 7-0.



Rebecca Houseman LeMire, City Clerk

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Date approved by Council: 08-19-13