



PROCEEDINGS OF THE BELOIT CITY COUNCIL
100 State Street, Beloit WI 53511
Monday, February 4, 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 7:00 p.m. in the Forum at Beloit City Hall.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY/ANNOUNCEMENTS
 - a. Vice President Spreitzer presented a proclamation recognizing the **Beloit International Film Festival** to be held February 14-17, 2013, to Nancy Heidt, Vice President of the BIFF Board of Directors. File 7148
 - b. President Haynes presented the **State of the City Report**. He spoke of the 2012 achievements in Beloit in terms of dedication, determination, persistence, and patience. He said that the City and its partners are dedicating to developing and growing the economic base. He said that the City showed determination by approving a referendum to improve the schools. He said that the Riverside Park improvements took nearly two decades of persistence. He cited the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Ho-Chunk Nation, the Hampton Inn, and the new Dog Park as examples of projects that required patience. He also discussed the challenges that will be seen in 2013 and how the City will move forward using dedication, determination, persistence, and patience. File 7757
4. PUBLIC HEARINGS – none
5. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION – none
6. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilor Luebke made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda, which consists of items 6.a. through 6.d. Councilor Van De Bogart 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 Special Meeting of January 17, 2013, and the Regular Meeting of January 22, 2013 were approved.
 - b. The application for **Conditional Use Permit** to allow indoor alcohol sales in a C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District, for the property located at 1623 Park Avenue was referred to the Plan Commission. File 8542
 - c. The application for a **Zoning Map Amendment** to change the Zoning District Classification from R-1A, Single-family Residential District, to PLI, Public Lands & Institutions District, for the property located at 2208 N. Lee Lane, was referred to the Plan Commission. File 8228
 - d. The resolution setting a date for a Public Hearing for the **Vacation** of an Unnamed North-South Alley in the block bound by North Street, Sixth Street, Olympian Boulevard, and Fourth Street in the City of Beloit, Rock County, Wisconsin, was accepted and referred to the Plan Commission. File 8580
7. LICENSES
 - a. Deputy City Attorney Elizabeth Krueger presented a resolution **Setting Return Date and Authorizing Issuance of Summons** for Alcohol License Sanction Hearing for Speedway, LLC, d/b/a Speedway #4293, 2781 Milwaukee Road, Nancy A. Bryant, Agent. Ms. Krueger recommended that the Sanction Hearing be set for Tuesday, February 12, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. in the Forum at City

Hall. Councilor Van De Bogart made a motion to adopt the resolution, and Councilor De Forest seconded. The motion carried 7-0. File 8542

8. ORDINANCES – none

9. APPOINTMENTS – none

10. COUNCILOR ACTIVITIES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

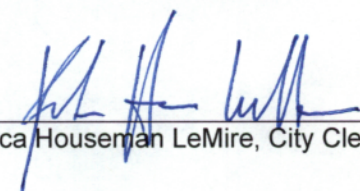
- Councilor De Forest said that she is looking forward to attending the Beloit International Film Festival, especially the Silent Film Showcase. She said that the Rock River Trail Initiative is meeting in South Beloit on March 1st and invited the public to attend.
- Councilor Van De Bogart encouraged residents to attend and participate in BIFF by volunteering.
- Councilor Kincaid said that he will be attending BIFF and that there are some great venues and movies this year. He said that he also attended a legislative breakfast with Mark Pohan.
- Councilor Luebke lamented on the loss of several Beloit icons in the last week. He said that Bill Dommer, Fred Mathews, Bill Behling, and Frank Marsden gave much of themselves to Beloit for many years and will be missed.
- Councilor Spreitzer echoed Councilor Luebke's comments and said that Frank Marsden was a mentor to him. He also said that he is looking forward to attending BIFF.
- Councilor Haynes encouraged the public to continue to support BIFF. He said that he had an unpleasant conversation with a resident regarding snow emergencies and reminded residents to be proactive when it is snowing and remove their vehicles from the streets.

11. CITY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION – none

12. REPORTS FROM BOARD AND CITY OFFICERS

- a. Police Chief Norm Jacobs presented a resolution amending the **2013 Capital Improvement Budget** and appropriating funds from the Police Confiscated Fund to Purchase Mobile Video Recording Devices Equipment. He said that this is an opportunity to replace all of the devices at one time, which will increase efficiency and effectiveness of training. Councilor Leavy made a motion to adopt the resolution, and Councilor Luebke seconded. Councilor De Forest asked how this project will be funded, and Chief Jacobs said that the Police Confiscated Fund will be used and that this fund may only be used for otherwise unfunded projects or equipment but not for operations or salaries. The motion carried 7-0. File 8570
- b. Transit Director Michelle Gavin presented a resolution authorizing the issuance of a **Purchase Order** for the replacement of two Transit Buses in 2014. She indicated that the lead time on ordering buses is 16-20 months and that this resolution would allow the City to order two buses to replace those from 1997 with very high mileage. She said that a federal grant will pay for 80 percent of the cost of the buses. Councilor De Forest made a motion to adopt the resolution, and Councilor Spreitzer seconded. Councilor De Forest asked about the anticipated discount if the buses are ordered by the end of February, and Ms. Gavin indicated that the City could order with the City of Racine at 2012 prices which would save roughly two percent of the total cost. Councilor Van De Bogart asked if we are purchasing full-sized buses. Ms. Gavin indicated that we purchase the full-sized buses because the cost difference is minimal, the fuel cost and efficiency is the same, and that these buses are more durable and can hold more passengers for peak periods. Ms. Gavin said that that a bus needs 1/5 the amount of fuel per person than a passenger car. The motion carried 7-0. File 8618

13. At 7:27 p.m., Councilor Leavy made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Councilor Spreitzer seconded. The motion carried 7-0.



Rebecca Housen LeMire, City Clerk