

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BELOIT CITY COUNCIL 100 State Street, Beloit WI 53511 Monday, July 7, 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 7:00 p.m. in the Forum at Beloit City Hall.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY/ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. Vice President Haynes presented a proclamation recognizing July as **Parks and Recreation Month** to Brian Ramsey, Director of Parks and Recreation. File 7148

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. Community Development Director Julie Christensen led a public hearing to solicit input on the Community Development, Housing, and Homeless needs in the City for Inclusion in the **2015 Annual Action Plan**. Councilor Spreitzer opened the public hearing.
 - Jean Randles, Executive Director of HealthNet of Rock County, Inc., 23 W Milwaukee Street,
 Janesville, outlined the health, dental, and vision services provided to residents in Rock County
 and Beloit and requested that funds be provided to HealthNet through the City's Community
 Development Block Grant program.
 - Matt Finnegan, 2212 Knoll View Drive, Beloit, asked the Council to consider funding programs
 to increase home ownership in Beloit. He said that it is difficult to receive home loans through
 banks in Beloit and asked the Council to consider how the City can help.

Councilor Spreitzer closed the public hearing. File 8652

5. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - none

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilor De Forest requested that item 6.c. be removed from the Consent Agenda. Councilor Luebke made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda, which consists of items 6.a. and 6.b., and Councilor Kincaid seconded. 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 June 5, and June 9, 2014 Special Meetings and the **Minutes** of the Regular Meeting of June 16, 2014, were approved.
- b. The resolution authorizing **Final Payment** of Public Works Contract C13-16, Post and Emerson Storm Sewer, was adopted. File 8613
- c. Ms. Christensen presented an application for a **Zoning Map Amendment** to change to zoning district classification from R-2, Two-family Residential District, to R-3, Low Density Multi-family Residential District for property located at 1715 Elmwood Avenue. Councilor De Forest requested more information regarding the history of land use actions in the area when the item returns to the City Council for action. Councilor Luebke made a motion to refer the item to the Plan Commission for consideration. Councilor Kelly seconded, and the motion carried 7-0. File 5913

7. ORDINANCES

a. Police Chief Norm Jacobs presented a proposed Ordinance to amend Section 13.02 of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit related to **Parking in the Downtown** for the Farmer's Market

and to create Sections 13.10 and 13.25(4)(bg) of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit pertaining to Temporary No Parking Regulations. Chief Jacobs indicated that the ordinance changes give the Police Department the authority to post signage and enforce no-parking regulations. Councilor De Forest expressed concern over the requirement that parking tickets be paid within ten days and asked if the Council could change it. Chief Jacobs said that the requirement is consistent with the other parking tickets in the City's ordinances. Deputy City Attorney Elizabeth Krueger stated that if people request a court date for the violation, they receive a payment extension. Councilor De Forest said that she would like to see the Council review the 10-day requirement for all parking tickets in the future. Councilor Luebke made a motion to suspend the rules and offer a second reading of the ordinance. Councilor Haynes seconded. On the merits of the ordinance, Councilor Haynes made a motion to enact, and Councilor Kelly seconded. The motion carried 7-0. File 7791 Ordinance 3541

8. APPOINTMENTS

- a. President Spreitzer presented the following changes to the 2014-2015 City Council Committee/Board/Commission Appointments:
 - Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee: Councilor Kelly
 - Community Development Authority: Councilors Kelly and Kincaid
 - Convention and Visitors Bureau Board of Directors: Councilor Hendrix
 - Metropolitan Planning Organization: Councilor Hendrix

9. COUNCILOR ACTIVITIES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

- Councilor De Forest said that a highlight of her week was attending the Farmers Market and noted that the market accepts EBT/Quest Cards.
- Councilor Luebke said that he had the privilege of being at the annual triathlon last weekend and noted that there were a lot of participants from other cities. He congratulated Tony Farrell Sr. on being inducted into the United Arts Alliance Hall of Fame.
- Councilor Hendrix said that she attended the Zeta Phi Beta graduation ceremony and that Zeta Day was celebrated on June 28th. She said that she had fun viewing "Frozen" on the big lawn at Riverside Park.
- Councilor Spreitzer said that he attended the fireworks at Riverside Park and is looking forward
 to the annual Parks Tour. He offered condolences to South Beloit Mayor Duffy's family on
 behalf of the City.

10. CITY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION

a. Mr. Ramsey and Intern Matt Christidis presented the **2014 Parks and Recreation Programs.** Mr. Ramsey indicated that Mr. Christidis has interned with the City since the beginning of June and coordinated the Triathlon and all of the July events. Mr. Christidis presented the "Out is In" campaign, encouraging the public to attend some of the many upcoming outdoor events.

11. REPORTS FROM BOARD AND CITY OFFICERS

a. Ms. Christensen presented a resolution adopting Equal Opportunities Commission (EOC) Rules of Procedure. She indicated that the Rules will provide detailed requirements for how the EOC will operate and will establish consistent operations. Ms. Christensen stated that the lack of Rules of Procedure was recognized as an impediment to Fair Housing in Beloit by the federal Housing and Urban Development department. Councilor Luebke made a motion to adopt the Rules, and Councilor De Forest seconded. The motion carried 7-0. File 7465

12. At 7:38 p.m., Councilor Hendrix made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Councilor Kelly seconded. The motion carried 7-0.

Rebecca Hauseman LeMire, City Clerk

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