

**COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF LADYSMITH**  
October 12, 2015                      6:30 p.m.                      Council Chamber

**Roll Call.** Members present: K. Brown, M. Hraban, B. Morgan, J. Pearson, M. Platteter, M. Reynolds. Members absent: A. Hraban, B. Stoneberg.

Others present: A. Christianson, A. Lobermeier, A. Kenyon, L. Klink, D. Parker.

**Call to Order:**

Mayor Reynolds called the meeting to order and served as chair.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

Mrs. Pearson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes:**

Motion was made by Brown, seconded by M. Hraban and carried by voice vote to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2015 Council meeting.

**Agenda:**

Motion was made by M. Hraban, seconded by Brown and carried by voice vote to approve the evening's agenda.

**Hearings and Appearances:**

None.

**Resolutions and Ordinances:**

None.

**District and Committee Reports:**

**District One, Mr. Platteter:**

Mr. Platteter had nothing to report.

**District Two, Mr. B. Morgan:**

Mr. Morgan reported that chain link fencing was installed late the previous week behind the sidewalk on the east side of the fire hall, and that plow museum framing started today. The fence was extended about 5 feet further than originally planned.

Mr. Morgan observed that the lights on Old Smoky haven't been on for some time and that should be investigated. He also stated that the locomotive and tender should be repainted next summer after some minor repairs to the cab have been completed. He stated it was last painted 20 years ago for \$2,200.

Mr. Morgan suggested getting started soon on the planned board fence behind the sidewalk on the site of the former Finish Line tavern. Motion was then made by Morgan,

seconded by M. Hraban and carried by voice vote to let the Public Works Committee decide this, if a Proposal is received, or make a recommendation to the All Committees.

A question was raised about the status of Old 8 Road. The Public Works will drive it during its upcoming project tour.

**District Three, Mr. M. Hraban:**

Mr. Hraban called attention to minutes of the October 8, Planning Commission meeting, which he had attended. He noted that two conditional use permits were approved, which will allow construction of two new residential garages.

Mr. Hraban reported that the Joint Management Committee (JMC) met October 9<sup>th</sup> and that among items considered were a need to add a safety railing to a catwalk at ADF, and improvements to parking and outdoor storage areas at Merit Wood Products.

Mr. Hraban advised that the Emergency Government Committee will meet on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

**District Four, Mr. K. Brown:**

Mr. Brown called attention to minutes of the October 5, All Committees meeting and advised that the Finance Committee will meet next on October 28<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Brown reported that the Animal Control Board met with JMC about its need to identify funding for a new facility. Mr. Brown expressed a desire to get the building shell up. Mr. Hraban added that the Animal Control Board will be meeting jointly with the Friends of the Animal Shelter to be certain they are coordinating as best they can before taking the next steps to finalize facility plans and seek additional funding support.

Regarding mention of forming a humane society, it was recalled that is what was here before, but that volunteers were hard to come by and it folded after getting down to just one person. That is when the City and County took over the operation many years ago.

It was also reported that, in view of the considerable shortfall of about \$350,000, against an estimated cost of \$480,000 for a new animal shelter, it was suggested that consideration be given to reusing one or more existing buildings. A couple of those in Grant Town were mentioned, although lack of municipal sewer there may be costly to overcome.

**District Five, Mrs. B. Stoneberg:**

Mrs. Stoneberg was absent.

**District Six, Mr. A. Hraban:**

Mr. Hraban was absent.

**District Seven, Mrs. J. Pearson:**

Mrs. Pearson had nothing to report.

**Police and Fire Dept. Reports, A. Lobermeier:**

Chief Lobermeier welcomed Mayor Reynolds back after his trip to Russia.

**Public Works Dept. Report, Mr. D. Parker:**

The Asst. DPW reported that the dump box inserts have been fabricated and were to be shipped yesterday, and that the Corbett Lake dam structure was installed last week.

Mr. Parker also reported that a number of building permit applications have been filed relating to new garages and to residing and reroofing.

Mr. Parker also reported that the curb and gutter is on the W. 8<sup>th</sup> and Roesler project; that aprons and sidewalk replacements are underway today; and that road shaping has also started such that a base coat of asphalt may be laid late this week.

Motion was made by M. Hraban and seconded by Morgan to accept Ron Young Plumbing's bid of \$22,625 to demo former water supply Wells #2 and #3, as a cost to the water utility. Roll call vote: Platteter-yes; Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Brown-yes; Stoneberg-absent; A. Hraban-absent; Pearson-yes. Motion carried.

**Administrative Report, Mr. A. Christianson:**

Motion was made by Brown and seconded by Morgan to approve payment of Pay Request No. 2 from McCabe Const., in the amount of \$160,780.41, for work completed on the W. 8<sup>th</sup> and Roesler reconstruction project. Roll call vote: Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Brown-yes; Stoneberg-absent; A. Hraban-absent; Pearson-yes; Platteter-yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by M. Hraban and seconded by Brown to approve Pay Request No. 1 from S D Ellenbecker, in the amount of \$6,300, for work completed on the plow museum. Roll call vote: M. Hraban-yes; Brown-yes; Stoneberg-absent; A. Hraban-absent; Pearson-no; Platteter-yes; Morgan-yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by M. Hraban and seconded by Brown to pay an invoice from MSA, in the amount of \$2,500, for grant administration on the CDBG assisted W. 8<sup>th</sup> and Roesler project. Roll call vote: Brown-yes; Stoneberg-absent; A. Hraban-absent; Pearson-yes; Platteter-yes; Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brown, seconded by M. Hraban and carried by voice vote to grant AECOM permission to enter onto the farmer's market and the Lake Ave., W. 4<sup>th</sup> St. and Miner Ave. right of ways to install and operate monitoring wells relating to contamination emanating from CN property immediately east of Zeigler Electric.

**Attorney's Report, Mr. A. Kenyon:**

After he was welcomed back, Atty. Kenyon reported that a 0.467 acre property adjacent to what the City owns along the south side of Corbett Lake is available for sale. He also

noted that he will contact the owner of a fire damaged dwelling along Fritz Ave. just east of E. 3<sup>rd</sup> St. to learn what the owner's intent is regarding that dwelling.

**Mayor's Forum, Mr. M. Reynolds:**

Mayor Reynolds read a card from Harvest Team thanking the City for making the Beachview Pavilion available to them for use in conjunction with the recent Harvest of Talents event. He also advised that the arrangement on display in the Council Chamber is in remembrance of long time Water Superintendent Tony Paulson, whose funeral was earlier in the day.

The Mayor also stated that "it is good to be back".

**Licenses and Permits:**

Motion was made by M. Hraban, seconded by Brown and carried by voice vote to grant tavern operator's licenses to Terry Russell for Ladysmith Motel and Suites, and to Dale Krings for Tee A Way Supper Club.

Motion was made by M. Hraban, seconded by Morgan and carried by voice vote to grant a Class A (Cider Only) Liquor License to Lyndale Terminal Co./Holiday Stationstore, 605 Lake Ave. W., Charissa Morgan, Agent.

**Adjourn:**

The meeting was adjourned 7:16 p.m.

**Recorded by:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Alan Christianson  
Adm.-Deputy Clerk

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