

COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF LADYSMITH
November 26, 2018 6:30 p.m. Council Chamber

Roll Call.

Members present: A. Christianson 2, J. Fields, A. Hraban, M. Hraban, B. Morgan, J. Pearson, M. Platteter, B. Stoneberg. Absent: none.

Others present: R. Carlson, A. Christianson 1, K. Gorsegner, K. Julien, A. Kenyon, L. Klink, D. Parker, D. Wierzba.

Call to Order:

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

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mr. Morgan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes:

Motion was made by A. Hraban, seconded by M. Hraban and carried by voice vote to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2018 Council meeting.

Agenda:

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

Hearings and Appearances:

Mr. Carlson stated that he read in minutes of a recent meeting that Mr. Morgan will no longer be overseeing the rail display efforts. He asked who will be, which nobody present had an answer for. Mr. Carlson also handed out copies of Corbett Lake Management Plan File #2, Folders #11, #12; and #13, for review at a future meeting.

Resolutions and Ordinances:

None.

District and Committee Reports:

District One, Mr. Platteter:

Mr. Platteter reported that the Finance Committee recommended approval of monthly bills at its meeting just prior to this one. He also advised that the Planning Commission will meet at 5 p.m. on Nov. 27th.

District Two, Mr. B. Morgan:

Mr. Morgan advised that folks are interested in seeing the current dog walk area enlarged to the west, but expressed disappointment with those who don't clean up after their dogs. He went on to say that the former animal shelter area looks good following razing.

District Three, Mr. M. Hraban:

Mr. Hraban reminded folks that the Board of Review will meet at 1 p.m. on Nov. 29th.

Mr. Hraban called attention to minutes of the Nov. 12, All Committees minutes and distributed copies of the Nov. 19, Property Committee minutes.

The LFD is still seeking alternate quotes to replace the north side rain gutter.

District Four, Mr. J. Fields:

Mr. Fields distributed minutes of the Nov. 19, Community Dev. Comm. meeting.

Mr. Fields reported that he and his lady friend travelled to Spooner for a performance last weekend and that both were very impressed with holiday decorating on the two-block main street there. He encouraged people to come forward with low-cost decorating ideas they may have.

District Five, Mrs. B. Stoneberg:

Mrs. Stoneberg advised the Police and Fire Commission will meet Nov. 28th at 5 p.m.

District Six, Mr. A. Hraban:

DPW Gorsegner advised that an estimate of from \$3,700-4,100 has been received to use a metal spray to seal holes in the Doughty Rd. lift station. Motion was made by Pearson and seconded by A. Hraban to approve this expenditure. Roll call vote: Platteter-yes; Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Fields-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by A. Hraban, seconded by Morgan and carried by voice vote to grant the authority to the Public Works Committee to purchase and have installed a pump at Doughty Rd. lift station and a new radiator core at the main lift station.

District Seven, Mrs. J. Pearson:

Mrs. Pearson had nothing to report.

Police and Fire Dept. Reports, K. Gibbs:

Fire Chief Gibbs reported that things are going well with the LFD at this time.

Public Works Dept. Report, Mr. K. Gorsegner:

The DPW requested approval of the following invoices from Morgan and Parmley: -\$11,467 for engineering and \$7,000 for application preparation on the Fritz and Worden Ave. projects for a total of \$18,467. Motion was made by M. Hraban and seconded by A. Hraban to approve this payment. Roll call vote: Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Fields-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-yes. Motion carried. -\$10,075 for Summit Ave. plan and application preparation. Motion was made by M. Hraban and seconded by Morgan to approve this payment. Roll call vote: M. Hraban-yes; Fields-yes; Stoneberg-yes;

-\$6,157.50 for "as built" plans and close out work on the 1st St./Phillips Ave. project. Motion was made by M. Hraban and seconded by Pearson to approve this payment. Roll call vote: Fields-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-yes; Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes. Motion carried.

The DPW requested approval of the following invoices from MSA:

-\$6,566.25 for oversight on the E. 8th/Center/Pederson project. Motion was made by M. Hraban and seconded by Stoneberg to approve this payment. Roll call vote: Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-yes; Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Fields-yes. Motion carried.

-\$2,250 for SDWLP administration on the E.8th/Center/Pederson project. Motion was made by A. Hraban and seconded by Stoneberg to approve this payment. Roll call vote: A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-yes; Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Fields-yes; Stoneberg-yes. Motion carried.

Administrative Report, Mr. A. Christianson:

Adm. Christianson reviewed replacement sign designs for the former elementary school playground, which the City/School are still obligated to maintain for a few more years pursuant to a grant agreement used to construct it. He distributed copies of shape, design, color and lettering options provided by Dennis Weimer. Preferences on these were stated. Mr. Weimer will be asked to do another sketch incorporating them. Motion was made by Pearson and Seconded by Stoneberg to allocate the \$545 cost to the parks budget. Roll call vote: Pearson-yes; Platteter-yes; Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Fields-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes. Motion carried.

Adm. Christianson reviewed a pair of sign designs for the elevated plow museum sign. Those who commented indicated a preference for an oval shaped sign over a triangular one which they felt had too much going on. The \$280 cost for the oval design will be paid from The Mining Fund. Motion was made by Stoneberg and seconded by Fields to approve. Roll call vote: Platteter-yes; Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Fields-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes. Motion carried.

Adm. Christianson handed out copies of a listing of numbers and purposes of various City funds, along with a more detailed explanation of the origin and uses of the co-called Mining Fund.

Attorney's Report, Mr. A. Kenyon:

Atty. Kenyon commented on the following:

-The Golden Sands Dairy case where the Town of Saratoga tried to reverse its own action, but was not allowed to do by an appeals court, which found the Dairy had relied on in making significant economic decisions.

-Noted that rules which required Rusk County support for ATV traffic to use the U.S. 8 bridge near Bruce do not apply to the Brooklyn Bridge here for the following reasons:

*State law allows cities and villages to decide without county support if posted speeds on bridge are 35 m.p.h., which they are in Ladysmith, but not Bruce.

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wholly within the city's or village's jurisdiction which in not the case at Bruce, but is at Ladysmith.

-That there seem to be issues about the proposed 2019 Rusk Co. Rodeo that are causing the promoters to seek an alternate site to the County Fairgrounds.

Mayor's Forum, Mr. Christianson:

Mayor Christianson announced or reported the following:

- That DNR has awarded the City \$446,082 of principal forgiveness on the Fritz Ave./ Worden Ave. project.
- That DNR has awarded the City \$80,998 of principal forgiveness on the Summit Ave./W. 5th St. project.
- That DNR loans to be used in the conjunction with the above projects will be made at A favorable 1.12% interest rate.
- That the PWD is doing a good job with park lighting setup.
- That Small Business Saturday went well last weekend despite cold weather.
- That Winter Magic will be held this coming weekend.

Licenses and Permits:

Motion was made by A. Hraban, seconded by M. Hraban and carried by voice vote to approve tavern operator's licenses for Tammy David and Vanessa Hoefs, both for Holiday, and contingent upon LPD approval.

Adjourn:

Upon motion by A. Hraban, which was seconded by Morgan and carried by voice vote the meeting was adjourned 6:44 p.m.

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Alan Christianson
Adm.-Deputy Clerk

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