

COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF LADYSMITH
February 25, 2019 6:30 p.m. Council Chamber

Roll Call.

Members present: A. Christianson 2, J. Fields, A. Hraban, J. Pearson, M. Platteter, B. Stoneberg. Absent: M. Hraban, B. Morgan.

Others present: A. Christianson 1, K. Gibbs, K. Gorsegner, B. Groothousen, B. Grotzinger, K. Julien, A. Kenyon, L. Klink, S. Moore, D. Parker.

Call to Order:

Mayor Christianson called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m., after Mr. Fields arrived to create a quorum.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mr. Fields led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes:

Motion was made by A. Hraban, seconded by Pearson and carried by voice vote to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2019 Council meeting.

Agenda:

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

Hearings and Appearances:

There were no public appearances.

Resolutions and Ordinances:

None.

District and Committee Reports:

District One, Mr. Platteter:

Mr. Platteter reported that the Finance Committee met prior to this meeting to review monthly invoices.

District Two, Mr. B. Morgan:

Mr. Morgan was absent.

District Three, Mr. M. Hraban:

Attention was called to minutes of the Feb. 18, All Committees meeting minutes.

District Four, Mr. J. Fields:

Mr. Fields set a Community Development Committee meeting to follow the March 4, All Committee meeting.

District Five, Mrs. B. Stoneberg:

Mrs. Stoneberg had nothing to report.

District Six, Mr. A. Hraban:

Mr. Hraban called attention to minutes of the February 18, Public Works meeting.

Mr. Hraban made a motion which was seconded by Fields and carried by voice vote to authorize seeking seal coating bids.

District Seven, Mrs. J. Pearson:

Mrs. Pearson rescheduled the recently postponed Youth and Rec meeting to immediately follow the March 4, All Committee meeting. The Community Development meeting will then follow Youth and Rec that same evening.

Police and Fire Dept. Reports, K. Julien:

Chief Julien reported that LPD has received nine applications for one or two p.t. officer openings.

LFD Chief Gibbs had nothing to report. LFD was commended for plowing out a long driveway during recent heavy snows to facilitate an ambulance pickup.

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

The DPW Gorsegner explained that, because it was the newest of the City's sanitary lift stations, and so was not rebuilt, the one along Doughty Rd. is failing; literally having been repaired with J B Weld. Energenics has, as general contractor, submitted a Proposal to rebuild it for \$168,800, to include reuse of the concrete tank at the bottom. The rebuild of the upper portion will also be of concrete to replace the rusting steel cylinder of the original. As with other stations the working equipment will be mounted on a pair of stainless steel rails enabling it to be hoisted to the surface for servicing. This will significantly reduce the need for so-called "confined space entries". Motion was made by Fields and seconded by Pearson to approve reconstruction of the Doughty Rd. lift station at a cost of \$168,880, as a cost to the City's sewer utility. Delivery of materials and equipment is expected to take 12-16 weeks. Roll call vote: Platteter-yes; Morgan-absent; M. Hraban-absent; Fields-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes. Motion carried.

Administrative Report, Mr. A. Christianson:

Mr. Fields made a motion, which was seconded by A. Hraban, to authorize production of a mural featuring State record fish taken in Rusk County, as a \$4,995 cost to TIFD #8. The same artist who did our Vet's murals will do this mural. This mural is intended to let travelers know fishing in this area is good too. While the current thinking is to locate the mural at the top end of the Brooklyn Bridge, on the east side, other sites may also be considered. Roll call vote: Fields-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-yes; Morgan-absent; M. Hraban-absent. Motion carried.

Adm. Christianson noted the All Committees recommendation to provide \$2,870 from TIFD #8 to add lighting and outlets to the planned Gateway Pavilion. Motion was made by Fields and seconded by Platteter to approve. Roll call vote: Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-no; Pearson-no; Platteter-yes; Morgan-absent; M. Hraban-absent; Fields-yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Pearson and seconded by A. Hraban to hire a mailing service to assist with utility bills. Roll call vote: A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-yes; Morgan-absent; M. Hraban-absent; Fields-yes; Stoneberg-yes. Motion carried.

Attorney's Report, Mr. A. Kenyon:

Atty. Kenyon had nothing to report.

Mayor's Forum, Mr. Christianson:

Mayor Christianson thanked the Public Works, Police, and Fire Departments for their efforts during recent heavy snows. He added that, although this work is within these employees' job descriptions that so many hours behind the wheel creates a type of fatigue they are not unaccustomed to.

Licenses and Permits:

Motion was made by Fields, seconded by Pearson and carried by voice vote to approve the following:

- A tavern license for Kayla R. Haas for Gordy's Market, Inc., contingent upon LPD approval.
- A tavern operator's license for Josie Loomis as an independent.
- A change for Liquor License Agent for Krist Food Mart to Sean Schmick.

Closed Session:

Motion was made by A. Hraban and seconded by Stoneberg to go into Closed Session at 6:12 p.m. under authority cited in the Meeting Notice. Roll call vote: Pearson-yes; Platteter-yes; Morgan-absent; M. Hraban-absent; Fields-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes. Motion carried.

Adjourn:

Upon motion by A. Hraban, which was seconded by Fields and carried by voice vote, the meeting was adjourned from Closed Session at 6:35 p.m. with no action having been taken therein.

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Alan Christianson
Adm.-Deputy Clerk

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