

COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF LADYSMITH
February 27, 2017 6:30 p.m. Council Chamber

Roll Call. Members present: A. Hraban, M. Hraban, R. Moore, B. Morgan, J. Pearson, M. Platteter, M. Reynolds. Absent: B. Stoneberg.

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

Call to Order:

Mayor Reynolds called the meeting to order and presided. He also took a moment to offer condolences to M. Hraban and A. Hraban in view of the unexpected passing of Mike's brother Joe, who was well known and liked. Mr. Hraban responded by thanking the local EMS crew and others for their support in this difficult time.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mr. Pearson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes:

Motion was made by A. Hraban, seconded by Moore and carried by voice vote to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2017 Council meeting, with these changes:
-At Ray Carlson's request, revise the last bullet point in Mr. Morgan's report to reflect that the "dump cart" was beyond repair so had to be completely rebuilt.
-Add the following as the second item in Mr. Gorsegner's report as it was missed:
"Motion was made by Moore, seconded by Morgan and carried to include replacement of water main in W. 2nd St. from Lake to Pederson into the scope of the Pederson Ave. project".

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:

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 advocated brushing along the Corbett Lake shoreline in Falge Park to reduce goose habitat. He suggested that if the City crew is unable, there are two local contractors

with boom mowers that should be able to do the work. Some believe very few geese are nesting in that area, but that ducks and other birds are. Mr. Parker will seek quotes from the contractors mentioned.

Mr. Morgan stated that work on rail equipment this year will include repainting undercarriages a satin black. Mr. Carlson advised that there may be 8 gallons left from last year that can be used.

Mr. Morgan advised that TV 13's Hello Wisconsin Anchor Tyler Mickelson is seeking clarification of how many trains pass through daily. Nobody present believes it is as few as 12.

District Three, Mr. M. Hraban:

Mr. Hraban inquired as to the status of repainting the Memorial Park bridge dark blue. We have an acceptable Proposal to hand paint it, but are awaiting an estimate of how much paint is needed. Mr. Morgan will ask the painter how much paint will be needed and if what is on hand will be sufficient.

It was reported that a local contractor is interested in and expected to provide a quote to build the Lake Ave. rail display shelter.

District Four, Mr. R. Moore:

Mr. Moore called attention to minutes of the February 20, All Committees meeting.

District Five, Mrs. B. Stoneberg:

Mrs. Stoneberg was absent.

District Six, Mr. A. Hraban:

Mr. Hraban called attention to minutes of the February 16 and 21, Public Works Committee meetings.

Mr. Hraban made a motion, which was seconded by Morgan and carried by voice vote to approve a list of streets to be crack filled, poly-sealed or chip sealed in 2017.

Mr. Hraban made a motion, which was seconded by Morgan and carried by voice vote to approve a list of other street work to be completed in 2017.

Mr. A. Hraban made a motion and M. Hraban seconded to approve purchase of an Alkota Model 4305 steamer from DWD Enterprises of Eau Claire for \$5,970, net of trade of a 20 year old unit. Roll call vote: Platteter-yes; Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Moore-yes; Stoneberg-absent; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes. Motion carried.

Mr. A. Hraban made a motion and M. Hraban seconded to approve purchase of a Bad Boy riding mower for \$8,124, which includes a mulching chute attachment. This mower will be used primarily, but not exclusively, at the cemetery during spring and fall when Camp Flambeau workers are not there. After prefacing his comment by saying all the

mowers for which bids were received are quality units, Mr. Morgan questioned why the slightly lower priced JD wasn't accepted. Mr. Parker responded that it is our employees' sense that JD models pinch user's legs. It was also noted that, although it is larger, Rusk County is quite happy with the Bad Boy they have. Roll call vote: B. Morgan-no; M. Hraban-yes; Moore-yes; Stoneberg-absent; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter -yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Hraban made a made a motion, which was seconded by M. Hraban and carried by voice vote to allow Marshfield Clinic Dental Center to convert the first parking stall on Miner Ave. west of their parking lot driveway to a patient loading/unloading zone.

District Seven, Mrs. J. Pearson:

Mrs. Pearson called attention to minutes of the February 20, Community Development Committee meeting.

Mrs. Pearson made a motion, which was seconded by A. Hraban and carried by voice vote to identify the east side of the lot on the SE corner of E. 3rd (U.S.8) and River Ave. as the site for the next veterans mural.

Mrs. Pearson made a motion and A. Hraban seconded to authorize production of a half dozen military silhouettes Mr. Carlson asked whether these will block the view of the train consist. It was explained that these are cut out silhouettes that aren't that large. It was also mentioned that John Vacho may be able to arrange assistance for this effort. The motion was then carried by voice vote.

Police and Fire Dept. Reports, A. Lobermeier:

Chief Lobermeier reported that LPD will be interviewing part time officer candidates next week.

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

The DPW reported that a small water leak that had evaded detection was finally found and that it would be dug and repaired soon.

Motion was made by M. Hraban and seconded by Pearson to authorize expenditure of \$2,700 to upgrade lighting at the City shop. Zeigler Electric will do the work. Roll call vote: M. Hraban-yes; Moore-yes; Stoneberg-absent; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-yes; Morgan-yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by M. Hraban, seconded by A. Hraban and carried by voice vote to approve a CSM of property located at 303 E. 8th St. S. It was noted that this CSM had cost about \$1,000 to prepare.

Administrative Report, Mr. A. Christianson:

Adm. Christianson commented on a couple dealings with WisDOT. First, that agency is still seeking a City decision on whether or not to remove and store or relocate the pedestrian crossing lights at the intersection of U.S. 8 and W. 2nd St. Second, that

WisDOT wants to talk with the City about the OCR's directive that WisDOT and the City paint in the median that is otherwise planned to be installed at the Lake Ave. rail crossing in conjunction with resurfacing of U.S. 8, currently slated for 2020. A lengthy discussion followed during which considerable frustration was expressed in regard to the OCR decision and the seeming dismissal of the City's input without OCR even taking a firsthand look at the conditions.

Attorney's Report, Mr. A. Kenyon:

Atty. Kenyon retold how frustrating it has been trying to try to find information about the plow museum through local web sites.

Mayor's Forum, Mr. M. Reynolds:

Mayor Reynolds advised that there will be a Vietnam Veterans Day observance on March 26th and that Kerm Morgan will be one of the speakers. He stated that he will have more to add at a future meeting.

Licenses and Permits:

Motion was made by M. Hraban, seconded by Moore and carried by voice vote to grant tavern operator's licenses to Scott Schultz and Kathleen Detert, both of whom were approved by LPD.

Closed Session:

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

Motion was made by Moore and seconded by A. Hraban to return to open session. Roll call vote: Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-yes; Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Moore-yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by A. Hraban and seconded by Moore to authorize Mayor Reynolds to decide among two competing Proposals to prepare plans for a 20-30,000 sq. ft. addition to the Meadowbrook Center. Roll call vote: Pearson-yes; Platteter-yes; Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Moore-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes. Motion carried.

Adjourn:

Upon motion by A. Hraban, which was seconded by Moore and carried by voice vote the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

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Alan Christianson
Adm.-Deputy Clerk

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