

NOTICE OF COMMON COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD
6:30 P.M., MONDAY, MAY 11, 2015
LADYSMITH COUNCIL CHAMBER
107 WEST SECOND STREET SOUTH
LADYSMITH, WISCONSIN



Invitations to: Council members, Mayor, City Atty., Adm., DPW, Police Chief, and media.

AGENDA

- 1) Call to order at 6:30 p.m.
- 2) Roll call.
- 3) Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4) Approval of April 27 and 29, 2015 Council minutes. pp.3-6
- 5) Approval of the evening's agenda.
- 6) Introductions, hearings, appearances and public comments.
- 7) Licenses and Permits.
 - a. Action on operator's license applications, for changes of agent, on application for fermented malt beverage or liquor licenses, including picnic licenses, and including requests for new alcohol beverage licenses.
- 8) Resolutions and Ordinances.
 - a. Action on Resolution #2015-08 adding flexibility to façade incentive program.p.7
 - b. Action on Resolution #2015-12 approving purchase of City acquisition of Corbett Lake access. p.8
 - c. Introduction of resolution to amend the 2015 budget, which will require a public hearing before it is acted upon. p. 9
- 9) District One/Youth and Recreation/Park Board/Plan. Comm.
 - a. Report on Park Board business/meeting.
 - b. Report on Youth and Recreation business/meeting.
 - c. Report on Planning Commission business/meeting.
- 10) District Two/ Community Dev. /Rail Display.
 - a. Report on Personnel Committee meeting/business.
 - b. Report on rail display activities.
 - c. Action on summer worker hiring recommendation.
- 11) District Three/Property/ Emergency Government/Joint Management.
 - a. Report on Property Committee meeting/business. pp. 14-15
 - b. Report on Joint Management Committee meeting/business.
 - c. Report on Emergency Gov't./Emergency Plan. meeting/business.
 - d. Action on Property Committee recommendation to approve change to scope of work for plow museum project.
- 12) District Four/Finance/Animal Control/Tourism/Highway Safety
 - a. Animal Control Board meeting/business.
 - b. Report on All Committees meetings/business. pp.10-13
 - c. Report on Finance meetings/business.
 - d. Action to approve schedule of changes in fund balance for year ended 12/31/14.
 - e. Report on Tourism/Animal Control/Hwy. Safety meeting/business.

- f. Action on recommendation to approve payment of monthly invoices.
- 13) District Five/Legal Affairs/Zoning Appeals/RLF Board
 - a. Report on Legal Affairs meetings/business.
 - b. Report on RLF Board meeting/business.
 - c. Report on Zoning Appeals meeting/business.
- 14) District Six/Public Works Committee/Cemetery/Transit/Ethics.
 - a. Report on Public Works Committee meeting/business.
 - b. Report on Cemetery/Ethics meeting/business.
 - c. Report on Transit Commission meeting/business.
- 14) District Seven/Comm. Dev. Comm./Library Board/Police and Fire.
 - a. Report on May 11, Library Board meeting/business.
 - b. Report on Police and Fire meeting/business.
 - a. Report on Community Development Committee meeting/business.
- 15) Police and Fire Department Report.
 - a. Report on Police and Fire business.
- 16) Public Works and Building Inspection Report.
 - a. Report on Public Works project progress.
 - b. Building inspection report.
 - c. Action on Applications for Payment No. 7 and No. 9 from Staab Const., in the amounts of \$349,600, and \$70,369.23, respectively, for work completed on the WWTF upgrades project.
 - d. Action on recommendation to approve invoices from SEH, in the amounts of \$1,500, and \$6381.51, for construction oversight on the WWTF upgrades project.
- 17) Administrative report.
 - a. Ladysmith Development Corporation report.
 - b. Consider approving commitment letter to Town of Flambeau in regard to City involvement in Old 8 Rd. rebuild, the price of which has changed.
 - b. Consider request to transport City equipment to and sweep streets in Sheldon at published rate of \$90.
- 18) Attorney's Report.
- 19) Mayor's Forum.
 - a. Additional or revised appointments.
- 20) Action to go into closed session under authority granted in S. 19.85 (1) (e), Stats.
- 21) Adjourn.

Posted on 05/07/2015 by A. Christianson

The City of Ladysmith is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

RESOLUTION #2015-08

ADDING FLEXIBILITY TO FACADE INCENTIVE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Common Council has previously approved both direct financial operating support of the Ladysmith Main Street program and a storefront facade incentive program through Tax Incremental Finance District #8 with the intent of bolstering the downtown and arresting decline of both its tax base and function in the community;

WHEREAS, the storefront incentive program consists of a program whereby the City will grant up to 20% of the cost of a project qualified under Main Street guidelines, with a maximum amount of \$5,000, or provide a loan of up to \$25,000 at 1% interest for the same purpose as an incentive to encourage such projects, and that said loan will be paid upon sale of the assisted property or ten years after the loan is created, whichever occurs first;

WHEREAS, the City Administrator has reported that some downtown owners interested in using these incentives are unable to proceed because they find the incentives to be somewhat limiting and inflexible, and the City of Ladysmith is interested in again modifying the incentive program to make it more workable for these owners and to achieve the results desired in creating the program;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Ladysmith that it does hereby approve the following modifications to the facade incentive program:

1. Building owner costs for interior upgrades may be used for calculating matching fund requirements for grants, with the understanding that the grant will be used for the exterior facade.
2. Up to 50% of loans made pursuant to this facade incentive program may be used for interior improvements to the same building.
3. Signage and exterior seating areas and furniture therefore are eligible for both loan and grant assistance.
4. Both a loan and grant may be provided for one project.
5. Maximum loans available shall be increased from \$20,000 to \$25,000.

_____ by the following roll call vote at a regular meeting of the Common Council held the ___ day of _____, 2015. Platteter-____; Morgan-____; M. Hraban-____; Brown-____; Stoneberg-____; A. Hraban-____; Pearson-____.

Signed: _____

Marty Reynolds, Mayor

Attest: _____

Alan Christianson, Dep. Clerk

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LADYSMITH
APPROVING CITY ACQUISITION OF CORBETT LAKE ACCESS

WHEREAS, the City of Ladysmith desires to acquire the following real property belonging to the Estate of William Drum.

Property Description:

City Tax Parcel #246-01669-0000, which is located at 411 Sabin Ave. W. and further described in Volume 451, Page 369 of Rusk County Records.

WHEREAS, the City Attorney of the City of Ladysmith has made a report to the Common Council that the owners of record, the heirs of William Drum, will accept a purchase payment of \$23,100 for the above described real property.

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Ladysmith deems it advisable and to be in the best interests of the inhabitants of the City to acquire the above described property located in the City of Ladysmith, County of Rusk and State of Wisconsin for several reasons, including, but not limited to, the following:

*Having control of the shoreline where a new or upgraded level control outfall structure for Corbett Lake is planned should simplify any necessary DNR or Army Corps of Engineers permitting for that facility or related drainage structures or equipment.

*Owning this significant section of property adjoining Corbett Lake, will secure for the City access to a portion of Corbett Lake thereby enabling the flexibility to make fish habitat or other improvements there, which will benefit not only current residents and visitors alike, but future generations who needs are not yet foreseen.

*Acquisition of at least usage easements along the subject shoreline are recommended in the Ladysmith Outdoor Recreation Plan to facilitate and simplify future recreational facility improvements and, also, to preclude incompatible development.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Ladysmith, that such body approves the acquisition of the above described real property for \$23,100, plus up to \$1,000 in related legal or other professional service costs, filing or similar fees, and title insurance fees, and that the Administrator, Attorney and Mayor of the City of Ladysmith are hereby authorized on behalf of the City of Ladysmith to enter into such contracts for purchase of said property as provided by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Common Council that payment for the above described property and related costs shall be from Tax Incremental Finance District No. 9 of the City of Ladysmith.

Adoption of the above Resolution was moved by _____ and seconded by _____ at a regular meeting of the Committees of the City of Ladysmith held May 11, 2015. The Resolution was _____ by the following roll call vote:

Platteter- ; Morgan- ; M. Hraban- ; Brown- ; Stoneberg- ; A. Hraban- ;
Pearson- .

Approved: _____
Marty Reynolds, Mayor

Attest: _____
Alan Christianson, Dep. City Clerk

RESOLUTION #2015-

AMENDING THE CITY'S 2015 OPERATING BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Common Council in the fall of 2014 adopted an operating budget for calendar 2015, which was limited by State imposed rules on revenues generated through real estate taxes, knowing that it has significant vehicle and equipment needs in the Public Works Department and it was decided, at that time, that equipment purchases will be dealt with as needs become more pronounced.

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee has, both before and since that time, had frequent discussions about these continuing needs and, as a result, recommends that action be taken to address some of them, at this time, through use of general fund balance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Ladysmith that it does hereby approve the transfer of general fund balance into both the revenue side of the 2015 budget as application of fund balance and into the expenditure side of the budget as an increase to line 100-00-53110-810, Street Machinery and Equipment, for purchase or modification of the specific machinery and equipment listed in Appendix A, which follows.

_____ by the following roll call vote at a regular meeting of the Common Council held the ___ day of _____, 2015.

Platteter-___; Morgan-___; M. Hraban-___; Brown-___; Stoneberg-___; A. Hraban-___; Pearson-___.

Signed: _____
Marty Reynolds, Mayor

Attest: _____
Alan Christianson, Adm. Dep. Clerk

APPENDIX A

Purchase stainless steel salt box and mount on used packer truck chassis	\$20,000
Purchase three dump truck box insert to increase snow hauling capacity	\$30,000
Purchase new ¾ ton pickup with plow package	\$30,000
Purchase new trailer mounted air compressor	\$10,000
Modify former "Snorkel" fire truck for use as a bucket truck for sign and banner work	\$10,000
Total	\$100,000