

COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF LADYSMITH
August 14, 2017 6:30 p.m.
Council Chamber

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

Others present: R. Carlson, A. Christianson, K. Gorseger, A. Lobermeier, A. Kenyon, L. Kink, S. Moore, P. Ruege.

Call to Order:

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

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mr. Christianson I led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes:

Motion was made by Moore, seconded by A. Hraban and carried by voice vote to approve the minutes of the July 24, 2017 Council meeting.

Agenda:

Mayor Reynolds noted that he would convene a public hearing on two topics as the Notice of Hearing was published in the Ladysmith News even though it was not listed on the evening's agenda. He went on to say that no action will be taken on either until a future meeting at which time further comments will be allowed. One topic was a proposed revision enabling use of plastic water laterals with metal mains where bury depths are deemed sufficient that freezing is not likely. Currently only metal laterals may be used with metal mains. The other topic is a proposed rule change to require an annual permit for campfires. Currently no permit is required for campfires that meet certain criteria. There were no appearances on either subject. The Mayor closed the hearing at 6:34 p.m.

Hearings and Appearances:

John Hoover appeared along with Dave Bailey, Alan Christianson 2, Sue Moore, Martha Smart, Chrysa Ostensio, Gary Pomeranke and Colleen Peters to advocate that the City consider constructing a new farmer's market pavilion on the parking lot in the block west of the County Government Center. This discussion ended at 7:21 p.m.

Mr. Ruege appeared to explain his plans to use sidewalks along W. 2nd St. north of U.S.H. 8 and those part of the Flambeau River Overlook for a "chalk fest", if the City concurs. His intention is to provide a positive activity for teenagers. It was noted that street is expected to undergo reconstruction so may not be the best choice at this time.

Mr. Carlson appeared to say that the July 31, agenda had included an item to consider allocating additional funds to re-side the boxcar at the rail display as the current car siding was found to be in very poor condition. That meeting was not held. He and Mr. Morgan believe that funds already earmarked are likely to be sufficient for that purpose.

Resolutions and Ordinances:

None.

District and Committee Reports:

District One, Mr. Platteter:

Mr. Platteter was absent.

District Two, Mr. B. Morgan:

Mr. Morgan reported that the Lake Ave. Rail Display site has been staked and that he intends to get someone with a skid steer to clear off the site. Then it will be re-staked so that support posts can then be drilled, after which concrete floor can be installed. Mrs. Moore, who already donated \$5,000 to this project, stated that she will donate another \$5,000 once she sees some progress.

District Three, Mr. M. Hraban:

Mr. Hraban reported that he Rusk County Emergency Government Committee will be meeting this week.

District Four, Mr. R. Moore:

Mr. Moore advised that the Finance Committee will meet August 15th at 3 p.m. Mr. Moore also called attention to minutes of the August 8 and 10 Finance meetings, which focused on 2018 budget development.

Motion was made by Moore and seconded by M. Hraban to write off \$763.68 in uncollectible personal property taxes. Roll call vote: Platteter-absent; Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Moore-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes. Motion carried. Atty. Kenyon stated his understanding is that special assessments stay with the property and don't disappear. He will look into this and discuss with the auditor/comptroller.

District Five, Mrs. B. Stoneberg:

Mrs. Stoneberg had nothing to report.

District Six, Mr. A. Hraban:

Mr. Hraban handed out and called attention to minutes of the August 10, Public Works Committee meeting.

Mr. Hraban advised that bids were opened the previous week for the CDBG assisted Pederson Ave./Center Ave./E. 8th St. project, and that the low bid was from McCabe Construction of Eau Claire in the amount of \$748,964.15. It was clarified that although the maximum grant amount is \$500,000, only 50% of the actual cost will be provided. Hraban then made a motion and Morgan seconded to award the contract to McCabe. Roll call vote: M. Hraban-yes; Moore-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-absent; Morgan-yes. Motion carried.

DPW Gorsegner advised that neighborhood meetings will be held in each of the three areas involved in this project so that folks can join in the meeting as the engineer and contractor review the project details on-site and in their presence This format has worked well with previous projects.

District Seven, Mrs. J. Pearson:

Mrs. Pearson reported that work on the amphitheater is coming along.

Pearson made a motion and A. Hraban seconded to approve LHS fab lab production of military silhouettes for addition to the visitor center rail display, at a cost of \$1,000 to TIFD #9. Mayor Reynolds questioned whether this is a want. Roll call vote: Moore-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-absent; Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes. Motion carried.

Pearson made a motion and A. Hraban seconded to approve Pastor John Ruede fabricate stands for the holiday cards that have been made, at a cost of \$528 to TIFD #8. Roll call vote: Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-absent; Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Moore-yes. Motion carried.

Police and Fire Dept. Reports, A. Lobermeier:

Chief Lobermeier advised that the Police and Fire Commission will meet August 16th.

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

The DPW reported that work is underway on the Phillips Ave. reconstruction. Motion was made by M. Hraban, seconded by A. Hraban and carried by voice vote to enter into Change Order No. 1 with Haas Sons on the Phillips Ave. project to extend the completion date by 2.5 weeks to September 23rd.

Motion was made by M. Hraban and seconded by A. Hraban to approve MSA invoices in the amount of \$1,020 for design work on W. 2nd St. N. and in the amount of \$4,724.75 for work on 2016 CDBG project. Roll call vote: A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-absent; Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Moore-yes; Stoneberg-yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Moore, seconded by M. Hraban and carried by voice vote to authorize MSA to submit ITA and PRRF documents on behalf of the City.

Motion was made by A. Hraban, seconded by Moore and carried by voice vote to authorize Morgan and Parmley to submit ITA and PRRF documents on behalf of the City relative to the Summit Ave. project.

Administrative Report, Mr. A. Christianson:

Adm. Christianson recalled that it was suggested that the City have a fourth piece of folk art made for Miner Park, so the pieces can be mounted continuous. Motion was made by A. Hraban and seconded by M. Hraban to approve the Fine Arts Center Gallery's Proposal to produce one more for \$450 as a cost to TIFD #8. Roll call vote: Pearson-yes;

Platter-absent; Morgan-no; M. Hraban-yes; Moore-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes. Motion carried.

Adm. Christianson handed out copies of a job description for his position, which the Personnel Committee approved. Approval of this revised description will be placed on a future agenda.

Attorney's Report, Mr. A. Kenyon:
Atty. Kenyon had nothing to report.

Mayor's Forum, Mr. M. Reynolds:
Recalling the discussion earlier in the meeting where farmer's market advocates stated they want to distance the market from the railroad, Mayor Reynolds asked if he and those advocates are the only ones troubled by train noise. Mrs. Stoneberg and a few others of those present indicated that they are also bothered by it.

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 Brandi Bates for Krist Oil; and, for Christian Ollinger and Samantha Guthman for Holiday, all contingent upon LPD approval.

Adjourn:
The meeting was adjourned at 8 p.m.

Recorded by:
Alan Christianson
Adm.-Deputy Clerk

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Date submitted: _____
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ORDINANCE #2017-

AMENDING WATER SERVICE HOOKUP RULES

The Common Council of the City of Ladysmith do ordain as follows:

1. That Sec. 9121 (b) (2) of the Ladysmith Municipal Code of Ordinances, Establishment of Service, is hereby repealed and recreated to read as follows.
 (2) The property owner has installed or agrees to install a service lateral from the curb stop to the point of use that is not less than eight (8) feet below the surface of an established or proposed grade and meets the water utility's specifications, and
2. That the City's Request for Water Service form shall be modified as indicated in Appendix A, attached hereto.
3. That this ordinance amendment shall take effect upon passage and publication.

by _____ day of August, 2017.
vote at a regular meeting of the Common Council held the

Signed: Marty Reynolds, Mayor

Attest: Alan Christianson, Adm.-Dep. Clerk



REQUEST FOR WATER SERVICE
CITY OF LADYSMITH

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

LEGAL DESC: LOT: _____ BLOCK: _____ SUDIV: _____

PROPOSED USE OF SERVICE: _____

SERVICE SIZE: _____ METER SIZE: _____

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: _____

Approved plastic pipe may be used if City main is plastic. Metal must be used if City main is metal unless the bury depth is eight (8) feet or more and the "gooseneck" is insulated if under 8 feet.

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____

APPROVED: _____ BY WATER DEPT. DATE: _____