

CITY OF STOUGHTON
OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL

Date/Time: Tuesday, March 25, 2014 @ 7:00 P.M.

Location: Council Chambers/Public Safety Building

Members: David Kneebone, Sonny Swangstu, Tim Swadley, Michael Engelberger, Ron Christianson, Paul Lawrence, Greg Jenson, Eric Hohol, Tom Majewski, Tom Selsor, Tricia Suess

Mayor Donna Olson presided at a Regular Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Stoughton, Dane County, Wisconsin, held in the Council Chambers, Public Safety Building, on March 25, 2014, convening at 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Olson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call, Communications, and Presentations:

Clerk Hougan called the roll and noted 9 Alderpersons present: Suess, Kneebone, Swangstu, Swadley, Christianson, Lawrence, Jenson, Hohol, and Selsor.

Absent & Excused-Aldersperson Engelberger, Majewski

Communications: Mayor Olson read a proclamation for March for Meals Month regarding senior hunger in America, Mayor Olson thanked the Senior Center for all they do for our community. Mayor Olson read a proclamation for Melvin "Red" Benschop's retirement; Melvin served 58.1 years of dedicated service to the City of Stoughton Fire Department. Mayor Olson dedicated March 27, 2014 Melvin "Red" Benschop day. Mayor Olson stated Mark Friend was on the news expressing his gratitude to all those who participated in saving his life from his accident on January 5, 2013.

Kettle Park West update-Finance Director Sullivan stated staff work has centered around the RFP on the economic impact study. Staff was directed to submit requests for proposals (RFP's) to about 12 companies, they did not received any back, due to the tight timeline, they sent proposals back and have received one proposal back today, and are expecting two more this week. The proposals will be provided to the finance committee for review, and the finance committee will make a recommendation. Questions from alderperson were answered. A request was made to review the proposals in the Committee of the Whole.

Public Comment Period- Lisa Reeves, 708 E Main Street, registered to speak in support of the proposed moratorium related to Kettle Park West; Roger Springman, 812 Kriedeman Drive, registered to speak in support of the moratorium and the TIF policy; Sharon Mason-Boersma, 243 E. McKinley, registered to speak in opposition of Kettle Park West, and in support of the moratorium and a review of the TIF policy, Phil Caravello 225 E Main Street, in support of moratorium until economic and fiscal impact studies have been done, Michael Engelberger submitted a letter that was read supporting the moratorium on the Kettle Park West project.

Consent Agenda: Moved by Lawrence, second by Swadley, to approve the council minutes of March 11, 2014. *Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.*

O-8-2014: Authorizing and directing the proper city officials to amend section 50-5 prohibit harassment of police and fire animals. *Moved by Swadley, second by Lawrence to approve. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.*

NEW BUSINESS

R-22-2014: Approving a Certified Survey Map for Norse View Holdings LLC to reconfigure Lots 126, 127, 128 and part of 129, Seventh Addition to Norse View Heights, Stoughton, with the intent to create an additional buildable single family lot. (Planning commission approved 6-0 with Mayor Olson voting). *Moved by Lawrence, Second by Jenson to approve. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.*

R-23-2014: Approving a Certified Survey Map for Norse View Holdings LLC to reconfigure lots 130,131,132 and part of 129, Seventh Addition to Norse View Heights, Stoughton, with the intent to create an additional buildable single family lot. (Planning commission approved 6-0 with Mayor Olson voting). *Moved by Christianson, second by Jenson, to approve. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.*

R-24-2014: Approving a Certified Survey Map for Dwayne Kittleson to combine lots 1 and 2, CSM #12666, 1707 and 1709 N. Van Buren Street, Stoughton, with the intent to reverse a previously approved zero-lot line. (Planning commission approved 6-0 with Mayor Olson voting) *Moved by Christianson, second by Jenson to approve. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.*

R-29-2014: Authorizing and directing the proper City official(s) to approve the write off of accounts deemed uncollectible as of December 31, 2013. (Utilities approved 7-0 with Mayor Olson voting) *Moved by Hohol, second by Lawrence, to approve. Motion carries by acclamation with Kneebone voting noe.*

Discussion and possible action on a proposed moratorium to be placed on any further approvals related to the Kettle Park West development project until after the completion of the fiscal and economic impact analysis that was previously requested by a majority vote of the Stoughton Common Council. *Moved by Kneebone, second by Suess, that the Common Council not approve the creation of a Tax Incremental Finance District relating to the Kettle Park West Development, and further that the Common Council request the Plan Commission to not approve any Specific Implementation Plan for the proposed Kettle Park West Development, until after the Common Council has determined that it has received an appropriate economic impact analysis of the proposed Kettle Park West Development. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.*

Discussion and possible referral to the finance committee relative to the development of a City of Stoughton TIF policy for undeveloped districts similar to the TIF policy the City of Stoughton has for redevelopment areas. *Moved by Kneebone, second by Lawrence, that the Common Council refer the question of TIF policies to the Finance Committee regarding undeveloped districts in the City of Stoughton for further consideration. Motion carries unanimously by acclamation.*

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Lawrence, second by Hohol to adjourn at 8:00 P.M. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,
Maria P. Hougan, City Clerk