

Meeting of: **COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOUGHTON**
Date/Time: Tuesday, September 8, 2015 @ 7:00 P.M.
Location: Council Chambers at the Public Safety Building
Members: Mayor Donna Olson, Paul Lawrence, Sid Boersma, Ron Christianson, Greg Jenson, Michael Engelberger, Tom Majewski, Tom Selsor, Regina Hirsch, Tim Swadley, Sonny Swangstu, Pat O'Connor

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Olson called the meeting of the Common Council to order at 7:02 p.m.

Roll Call, Communications, and Presentations:

Clerk Kropf called the roll and noted that all 11 alderpersons were present.

Mayor Olson thanked the City Planning Department for working collaboratively to fulfill the job duties of the Facility Maintenance Director after the retirement of Norm Brekken.

Kettle Park West Update

Planning Director Scheel noted that construction for phase one will be starting tomorrow. Attorney Dregne noted that the project closed during the week of August 24, 2015 and that all of the documentation has been given to the City.

Minutes and Reports: The following minutes and reports were entered into the record:

Minutes: Commission on Aging (8/4/2015), Public Safety Committee (7/22/2015), Redevelopment Authority (7/8/2015), Tree Commission (7/8/2015), Utilities Committee (7/7/2015), Hall of Fame Committee (8/26/2015), and Finance Committee (8/11/2015)

Reports: July Treasurer's Report and Utilities Financial Statements

Public Comment Period:

No persons registered to speak.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Council Minutes: August 25, 2015

Motion by Lawrence, to approve the consent agenda, second by Jenson. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 11-0.

OLD BUSINESS

O-7-2015- An Ordinance to Amend Section 6-2 of the Stoughton Municipal Code- Relating to the Keeping of Animals

Motion by Christianson, to approve O-7-2015, second by Lawrence. Planning Director Scheel explained that this ordinance specifically addresses the keeping hooved animals within the City limits. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 11-0.

NEW BUSINESS

R-134-2015- Requesting Exemption from County Library Tax

Motion by Lawrence, to approve R-134-2015, second by Jenson. Library Director MacDonald noted that this is an annual request and is based off the standards by Dane County. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 11-0.

R-135-2015- Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to issue an Operator License to Martin Cue

Motion by Engelberger, to approve R-135-2015, second by Lawrence. Council discussion revolved around the applicants prior charges involving alcohol and drugs. The general consensus of Council was to deny this request. Motion failed 0-11.

R-136-2015- Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to approve a Temporary Class "B"/Class "B" Retailer's License and a Special Event License to the St. Ann's Parish for the St. Ann's Fall Festival

Motion by Engelberger, to approve R-136-2015, second by Lawrence. Engelberger noted that this is an annual event with no changes from previous years. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 11-0.

R-137-2015- Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to allow the Town of Deerfield to join the Stoughton Municipal Court System

Motion by Engelberger, to approve R-137-2015, second by Lawrence. Council discussion pertained to the budgetary and time restraints towards the Court Clerk. Judge Roethe explained to the Council that his main concern was the workload on the Court Clerk and the fact that the new municipality did not vote to have him as their municipal judge. Motion failed 0-11.

R-138-2015- Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to appoint Erik Hebble as the agent for Kwik Trip Store#738 located at 1231 E Main St

Motion by Engelberger, to approve R-138-2015, second by Lawrence. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 11-0.

R-139-2015- Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to appoint David Bernt as the agent for Pick N Save Store # 6390 located at 1750 US Hwy 51

Motion by Engelberger, to approve R-139-2015, second by Lawrence. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 11-0.

R-140-2015- Authorizing and directing the proper City officials to approve the appointment of Stoughton Utilities Finance and Administrative Manager Kim Jennings as the Alternate Director to the WPPI Energy Board of Directors

Motion by Swangstu, to approve R-140-2015, second by Christianson. Utilities Director Kardasz explained that this would allow Kim Jennings to be the alternate Director to the WPPI Energy Board of Directors. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 11-0.

R-141-2015- Recommending that the Stoughton Common Council approve amendment no. 2 to long term power supply contract for participating members

Motion by Swangstu, to approve R-141-2015, second by Engelberger. Utilities Director Kardasz stated that this would extend the current contract with WPPI until 2055. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 11-0.

R-142-2015- Providing Wisconsin Department of Transportation comments on the current alternatives being considered as part of the USH 51 Corridor Study Environmental Assessment.

Motion by Engelberger, to approve R-142-2015, second by Lawrence. Planning Director Scheel noted that the Public Safety committee has handed out a resolution that will outline what the Council is looking for with the US HWY 51 corridor study and explained the various points of consideration.

Motion to amend by Boersma, to research as a possible alternative truck route on HWY B and HWY N, second by Christianson.

Motion to amend failed on a vote of 2-9, with O'Connor, Majewski, Swangstu, Jenson, Engelberger, Christianson, Selsor, Swadley, and Hirsch voting no.

The original motion carried unanimously by acclamation 11-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Lawrence, to adjourn the meeting of the Common Council, second by Christianson. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 11-0. Mayor Olson adjourned the meeting of the Common Council at 7:53 p.m.