

Meeting of: **COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOUGHTON**
Date/Time: Tuesday, April 12, 2016 @ 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, Scott Truehl

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Olson called the meeting of the Common Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call, Communications, and Presentations:

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

Engelberger thanked Alderperson Swangstu and Alderperson Christianson for their service on the Council. He also explained that the Housing Advocacy Team of Stoughton (HATS) has started to address the problem of homelessness in Stoughton. He has requested that this issue be addressed by Vierbicher and HATS, with the help of City Committees and City Council.

Police Chief Greg Leck explained that the City received a grant to install two lighted crosswalks.

Mayor Olson congratulated the Tree Commission on receiving the Tree Commission and Growth Award.

Historical Society Presentation by Jim Draeger

Jim Draeger gave the Council a presentation about the Wisconsin Historical Society and what the society can offer to homeowners to help them maintain their historical home.

Mayor Olson welcomed the high school students in attendance of the Council meeting.

2016 Volunteer of the Year Proclamation

Mayor Olson proclaimed that Pamela Griggs, Michael Griggs, and Bud Erickson were the 2016 Volunteers of the Year Award Winners.

2016 Business Person of the Year Proclamation

Mayor Olson proclaimed that Claws 2 Paws and Michael Petersen with the Stoughton Veterinary Service were the 2016 Business Persons of the Year Award Winners.

2016 Friend of Youth Proclamation

Mayor Olson proclaimed that Bob McGeever was the 2016 Friend of Youth Award Winner.

Kettle Park West Update

Planning Director Scheel noted that there are two items on the agenda related to Kettle Park West and that any updates will be discussed later.

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

- Minutes: Finance Committee (12/8/2015 & 3/8/2016), Commission on Aging (2/2/2016), Planning Commission (12/14/2015), Personnel Committee (9/21/2015, 10/1/2015, 10/5/2015, 10/14/2015, 12/14/2015, 1/4/2016, & 1/6/2016)

Public Comment Period:

Debra M. Pautz; 1497 Oak Opening Dr; Spoke in opposition of R-45-2016 (the preliminary plat for Kettle Park West) and O-5-2016 (rezoning ordinance for Kettle Park West).

Ingrid Thompson; 217 N Franklin St; Spoke in favor of O-2-2016 (Amendment to the Public Nuisance Ordinance).

Dennis Kittleson; 109 E Taft St; Spoke in opposition of R-45-2016, the preliminary plat for Kettle Park West.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. March 29, 2016 Council Minutes
- B. **R-44-2016**-Confirming the Mayor's Committee Appointment of Bonnie Kennedy to the Stoughton Tree Commission.

Motion by Lawrence, to approve the consent agenda, second by Swangstu. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 12-0.

OLD BUSINESS

O-2-2016- Amending Chapter 58 of the City of Stoughton Public Nuisances Ordinance relating to the trimming and upkeep of hedges, bushes, and trees.

Motion by Engelberger, to table and to send to the tree commission to possibly add other clarifying language, second by Truehl. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 12-0.

O-3-2016- Proposed ordinance amendment to Chapter 30 Floodplain Zoning relating to updates to the Flood Insurance Study by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources.

Motion by Truehl, to approve O-3-2016, second by Christianson. Truehl explained that this is a technical matter and the ordinance came about so that the City may remain with the current flood insurance. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 12-0.

O-4-2016- Amending Section 26-43 of the City of Stoughton Municipal Fire Prevention and Protection Ordinance relating to the use of Outdoor Furnaces.

Motion by Engelberger, to approve O-4-2016, second by Lawrence. Engelberger explained that this is a completion of a previous Council consideration. This would disallow the use of outdoor furnaces after May 1, 2016. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 12-0.

NEW BUSINESS

R-45-2016- Resolution by the Common Council of the City of Stoughton Conditionally Approving the Preliminary Plat of Kettle Park West

Motion by Truehl, to approve R-45-2016, second by Jenson. Planning Director Scheel explained that the Planning Commission discussed this matter on April 11, 2016. He then explained how the preliminary plat would change the residential designation of the affected parcels. Scheel explained the additional language added to the resolution by the Planning Commission on April 11, 2016. Majewski addressed his concerns with the timely matter of when the Planning Commission discussed this issue and when it was brought forward to the Council. Truehl explained that this resolution has been discussed over the past few months through several committees before coming to the Council. Truehl further explained his additions to the resolution for the preliminary plat of Kettle Park West.

Council discussion included the possibility of tabling the resolution and to convene a Committee of the Whole to discuss further.

Selsor expressed concerns regarding the upper left area of the proposed area, with it being a park area between two houses.

Council discussion encompassed the access issues off of Highway 138 to the Kettle Park West development.

Jenson explained that this is the preliminary map and that nothing is final. He explained that the Council can change the park space as desired in the future. Swadley stated that he does not agree that this plat is in agreement with the City's Comprehensive Plan and also spoke to the access concern.

Swadley moved to amend the resolution to say that, "Before the City will sign the final plat, the plat must be modified to show Oak Opening Drive extending to Highway 138, and that the developer must obtain all necessary approvals to connect Oak Opening Drive to Highway 138", second by Boersma.

Engelberger explained that rather than passing the amendment, that this should be sent to a Committee of the Whole to discuss further.

Chief Leck concluded that the current plat did not pose any problems for him. He noted that this proposal is very similar to other subdivisions in Stoughton. Chief Wegner concurred with Chief Leck and concluded that the City fire trucks are very capable of accessing that proposed area.

The amendment to motion failed a roll call vote of 4-8, with Swangstu, Christianson, Lawrence, Engelberger, Jenson, Truehl, O'Connor, and Selsor voting no.

Motion by Hirsch, to refer the preliminary plat to the committee of the whole, second by Selsor. Motion refer to the COW passed on a roll call vote 7-5, with Swangstu, Christianson, Lawrence, Jenson and Truehl voting no.

Attorney O'Callahan thanked the Council for their deliberations and explained that the DOT may not have the same view point as the Council and the developer as far as the access to Highway 138 is concerned.

Aldersperson Christianson left the Council meeting at 8:57 p.m.

O-5-2016- An ordinance amending the zoning classification of certain lands located west of US Highway 51 and north of State Highway 138 in the City of Stoughton from RH – Rural Holding to SR-5 – Single Family Residential, SR-6 – Single Family Residential, MR-10 – Multi-Family Residential, MR-24 – Multi-Family Residential, I – Institutional and PB – Planned Business.

Truehl offered ordinance O-5-2016 as a first reading and explained that it will be available for Council discussion at the next regular Council meeting.

R-38-2016- Preliminary Resolution declaring intent to exercise Special Assessment Powers for 2016 Street Projects.

Motion by O'Connor, to approve R-38-2016, second by Swadley. Planning Director Scheel noted that this is the first step in the special assessment process. Motion carried by a roll call vote 11-0.

R-39-2016- Authorizing and directing the proper City official(s) to enter into an agreement with Vandewalle & Associates, Inc. to update the City's Comprehensive Plan.

Motion by O'Connor, to approve R-39-2016, second by Lawrence. Swadley encouraged the Mayor to include the community questionnaire/survey with the Plan. Motion carried by a roll call vote 11-0.

R-40-2016- Amending the Storm Water Utility Budget, accepting a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Grant for Stormwater Management Planning and Modeling and authorizing the City to engage the services of our consulting engineer for this project.

Motion by O'Connor, to approve R-40-2016, second by Lawrence. No discussion occurred. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 11-0.

R-41-2016- Amending the Police Dispatch Remodeling Budget and authorizing and directing the proper City official(s) to enter into an agreement with Joe Daniels Construction for the 2016 Police Dispatch Remodeling Project.

Motion by O'Connor, to approve R-41-2016, second by Lawrence. Sullivan explained how the police department dispatch remodel will be supplemented by the Gjertson Street project not being completed this year. Motion carried 10-0 with Majewski abstaining.

R-42-2016- Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to approve a Temporary Class "B"/Class "B" Retailer's License and Special Event License to the Stoughton Ducks Unlimited.

Motion by Engelberger, to approve R-42-2016, second by Truehl. Boersma asked if the City has a limit to how many temporary licenses can be issued. Both Clerk Kropf and Attorney Dregne explained that there is not. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 11-0.

R-43-2016- Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to issue a Six Month Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage License to the Stoughton Merchants Baseball.

Motion by Engelberger, to approve R-43-2016, second by Boersma. Engelberger concluded that this is an annual license and that there have not been problems in the past. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 11-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Swangstu, to adjourn the meeting of the Common Council, second by Lawrence. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 11-0. The meeting of the Common Council adjourned at 9:17 p.m.