

**CITY OF FORT ATKINSON**  
**City Council Minutes ~ February 6, 2018**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Pres. Becker called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

ROLL CALL.

Present: Cm. Kotz, Cwmn. Gehred, Cm. Lescohier, Cm. Hartwick and Pres. Becker. Also present: City Manager, City Attorney, City Engineer and Deputy Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 16, 2018 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.

Cm. Hartwick made a motion to approve minutes of January 16, 2018 regular Council meeting. Motion seconded by Cm. Kotz. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Vern Zech, 915 S. Main St #202 addressed the Council requesting the consideration to rename North Water Street to Scott Alwin Way, who was a decorated helicopter pilot. Zech also requested the Council to dedicate Madison Avenue to Scott Alwin but not change the name. He would like the Council to consider this on a future agenda.

Mrs. Alwin spoke of Capt. Scott Alwin's accomplishments and achievements from serving our Country in the Vietnam War. He has a distinguished flying cross which will be placed at the Smithsonian Museum. They want to see Scott held up as a role model to the community.

PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

a. *Request by Chamber of Commerce's Project LEAD for approval of riverwalk plaza enhancements.*

Representatives of the Chamber of Commerce Project LEAD provided a presentation to the Council on their project for 2018, which includes enhancements to the Riverwalk plaza. The Riverwalk plaza is affectionately referred to as the 'pocket park' east of Brocks Riverwalk. The project will be completed through private donations and grants and is scheduled to be completed by the end of May 2018.

Cm. Lescohier made a motion to approve the Riverwalk plaza enhancements by Project LEAD. Motion seconded by Cm. Hartwick, discussion followed.

Cwmn. Gehred shared concerns on the design. She asked for clarification on the archway. Project LEAD shared an updated design picture and compared the archway to the one located at the bike trail. She thinks the cedar trees obscure the view and asked the group to consider pruning those trees instead of removing the pear tree. She is not in favor of removing the pear tree. The Council continued discussion with Project LEAD.

On a roll call vote the motion carried with Cwmn. Gehred opposed.

## RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

### *a. Resolution in support of Glacial Heritage Solar Group Buy.*

Manager Trebatoski introduced the item as a request from Cwmn. Gehred and Midwest Renewable Energy Association in partnership with Heart of the City and Sustain Jefferson. The program entails enabling interested residential and commercial consumers in a designed geographic area to access volume discounts through choosing to purchase solar electric systems during the designed period of time. The City would not be entering into any contracts.

Cwmn. Gehred shared appreciation for the City taking the lead on solar panels. Resident Frankie Fuller thanked the Council for considering the Resolution to support the group buy.

Cm. Hartwick made a motion to approve the Resolution in support of Glacial Heritage Solar Group Buy with approval by the City Manager or their designee the use of the City logo and posting on social media pages. Cm. Lescohier seconded the motion and carried on a roll call vote with Cwmn. Gehred abstaining.

## REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

### *a. Minutes of Sex Offender Residence Board meeting held January 16, 2018.*

### *b. Minutes of License Committee meeting held January 16, 2018.*

### *c. Minutes of Historical Society Board meeting held December 21, 2017.*

### *d. Building, Plumbing and Electrical Permit Report for January, 2018.*

Cm. Lescohier made a motion to accept and file the Reports of Officers, Boards and Committees.

Cm. Hartwick seconded the motion and carried.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### *a. Recommendation from License Committee to approve Reserve "Class B" Intoxicating Liquor and Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage License for Mark Southern for use at 1905 Central Coast Lane with contingencies.*

Manager Trebatoski reviewed the application and recommendation to approve the Reserve license for Mark Southern. This is for the former Central Coast building. The License Committee unanimously recommended approval by the Council. Mr. Southern addressed the Council introducing himself and discussing how he came about the property. The final purchase is anticipated for March 2018.

Cm. Hartwick made a motion to approve the recommendation from the License Committee to approve Reserve "Class B" Intoxicating Liquor and Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage License for Mark Southern for use at 1905 Central Coast Lane contingent upon proof of ownership or signed lease of operation, providing an LLC, WI seller's permit and Federal ID. Cm. Lescohier seconded the motion and motion carried.

## NEW BUSINESS

### *a. Review and approve purchase of Police K-9 and training.*

Chief Bump reviewed the unfortunate retirement of K-9 Dino. Through fundraising and donations, the K-9 unit has funds available that will allow the purchase of another Police K-9. Jessiffany Canine Services LLC is a WI based kennel out of Iron Ridge WI that specializes in

Police dogs. Training with the selected dog is set for March 2018 resulting in the new dog to return to Fort Atkinson for service in April. The quote was received at \$13,000. Chief discussed the donations from the Community that funded Dino and his care. Dino will retire and remain in the Boeve family as their pet. Officer Boeve will continue as the handler for the new K-9 dog.

Cm. Lescohier made a motion to execute the purchase through Jessiffany with funds available in the Fort Atkinson Community Foundation account designated for the Police Department K-9 unit. Cm. Hartwick seconded the motion and carried on a roll call vote.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

*a. City, Sewer, Water, Stormwater Utility and Funds 4, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14 year-end financial statements as of December 31, 2017, and approve non-lapsing accounts and year-end appropriations.*

Manager Trebatoski reviewed some highlights of the funds and discussed the fund balance.

Cm. Hartwick made a motion to approve the City, Sewer, Water, Stormwater Utility and Funds 4, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14 year-end financial statements as of December 31, 2017, and approve non-lapsing accounts and year-end appropriations. Cwmn. Gehred seconded the motion and carried.

#### ACCEPT & FILE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Cm. Hartwick made a motion to accept and file financial statement as presented. Motion seconded by Cwmn. Gehred and carried.

#### APPROPRIATE \$147,741.60 FROM GENERAL FUND:

Cm. Kotz made a motion to appropriate \$147,741.60 from General fund for overdrawn accounts. Motion seconded by Cm. Lescohier and carried on a roll call vote.

#### APPROVE NON-LAPSING ACCOUNTS OF \$446,789.44:

Cm. Hartwick made a motion to approve non-lapsing accounts of \$446,789.44 from 2017-2018. Motion seconded by Cm. Kotz and carried on a roll call vote.

*b. Request to change April 3, 2018 City Council meeting to Thursday, April 5, 2018 due to election.*

Cwmn. Gehred moved to change April 3, 2018 City Council meeting to Thursday April 5, 2018 due to the Spring Election. Cm. Kotz seconded the motion and carried.

*c. Request to set date for Board of Review.*

The Board of Review was set for June 5, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

*d. Granting operator licenses.*

Cm. Kotz moved to grant operator licenses as presented. Cm. Hartwick seconded the motion and carried.

*e. Adjourn to closed session after regular City Council meeting pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(c), Wisconsin Statutes, to conduct City Manager appraisal.*

Cm. Lescohier moved to Adjourn to closed session after regular City Council meeting pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(c), Wisconsin Statutes, to conduct City Manager appraisal. Cm. Kotz seconded the motion and carried on a roll call vote.

CLAIMS, APPROPRIATIONS AND CONTRACT PAYMENTS

*a. Verified claims.*

Cm. Kotz moved to approve the list of verified claims submitted by the Director of Finance and authorize payment. Motion seconded by Cm. Hartwick and carried on a roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Cm. Kotz moved to adjourn the City Council meeting, seconded by Cm. Hartwick. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

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Kelly Voelker, Deputy Clerk

APPROVED:

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PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL