

CITY OF FORT ATKINSON
City Council Minutes ~ February 20, 2018

CALL MEETING TO ORDER.

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

ROLL CALL.

Present: Cm. Lescohier, Cm. Hartwick and Pres. Becker. Also present: City Manager, City Attorney, City Engineer and City Clerk/Treasurer. Arriving at 7:08 pm Cwmn. Gehred Arriving at 7:17 pm Cm. Kotz.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 6, 2018 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.

Cm. Hartwick moved, seconded by Cm. Lescohier to approve the minutes of February 6, 2018 regular Council meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Richard Miles, W4732 Fremont Road, Whitewater WI. Spoke in support of naming or renaming a Fort Atkinson city street in honor of Capt. Scott Alwin. He supports renaming Bark River Lane to honor.

Bill Scherwitz, 335 Rogers St, Milton WI. Represents the Vietnam Veterans of America Blackhawk Chapter 409 of Jefferson County. He would like to see recognition or a dedication of Capt. Scott Alwin. He support renaming or dedication of a street near the Armory.

Vern Zech, 915 S. Main Street, Fort Atkinson WI. He spoke on February 6th and requesting the renaming of S. Water Street to honor Capt. Scott Alwin. He supports the renaming of Bark River Lane near the armory. He would also like to see plaques to honor late veterans.

Penelope Alwin, N981 Marshall Road, Whitewater, WI. Thanked those in attendance for the kind words of Captain Alwin and appreciates the Council consideration to honor him.

PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

a. *Request by Studio 8 to close portion of William Street for fundraiser event on Saturday, May 12, 2018.*

Manager Trebatoski reviewed the annual request. This request was reviewed by City Staff without issues or concerns. Public Works will drop off and pick up barricades and signs.

Cm. Lescohier moved, seconded by Cwmn. Gehred to approve the request by Studio 8 to close a portion of William Street for a fundraiser event on Saturday May 12, 2018. Motion carried.

b. *Request by Chamber of Commerce to hold Farmers Market in parking lot across from Post Office on Saturdays from May to October and to close South Water Street East once per month for special events.*

Manager Trebatoski reviewed the request for the FA Farmers Market. This will be the 16th year of the market. The request is for use of the municipal parking lot on Milwaukee Avenue every Saturday 6 am to 1 pm May thru October 2018.

Cm. Hartwick moved, seconded by Cm. Lescohier to approve the request by Chamber of Commerce to hold Farmers Market in parking lot across from Post Office on Saturdays from May to October and to close South Water Street East once per month for special events. Motion carried.

Item 10.a. was moved to accommodate those in the audience.

a. Presentation of award for Green Recognition Program.

President Becker presented the Annual Green Recognition Award to Fort Health Care. The nomination was submitted by Heart of the City to honor the local business. Fort Health Care implemented energy conservation for their property and experienced a savings of 25% of their utility bill primarily within electrical consumption through LED fixture replacements.

c. Request for recognition of Scott Alwin.

Manager Trebatoski introduced the discussion item and shared some history provided from the Hoard Museum. He reminded the Council of the comments made by Vern Zech and Penny Alwin at the February 6th meeting during public comment. It has been the city's precedent to name new streets rather than rename existing streets to honor individuals. Trebatoski reviewed several opportunities for the Council to consider.

The Council discussed options to honor the late captain. Cm. Lescohier supports honoring Capt. Alwin and asked if the intention is to have a decision tonight. Trebatoski suggested the Council provide guidance or alternatives to research. Cm. Hartwick shared concerns for honoring all veterans that have passed from our community and not leaving any individuals out. He spoke of development at McCoy Park and how that park can be utilized to honor veterans. Cwmn. Gehred supports honoring Capt. Alwin and seeks a pleasing resolution for all. She is comfortable with the idea to rename a street and supports action at the airport to honor the Captain. Cm. Kotz also supports the honoring of Capt. Alwin and is open to ideas.

Pres. Becker asked Ms. Alwin if the family has a desire for an action or another as it compared to a street naming, dedication, plaque or the municipal airport. Ms. Alwin stated the family will feel honored for recognition of Capt. Scott Alwin and recommended an exhibit at the Hoard Museum.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

a. Resolution combining Wards for April 3, 2018 Spring Election.

Clerk Ebbert reviewed the April 3rd ballot with the need to combine wards for the purpose of County Supervisor Districts. April in even years (2018, 2020) include the election for County Supervisors by Ward, therefore voters will report to the appropriate table on election day according to wards.

Cm. Hartwick moved, seconded by Cwmn. Gehred to approve and adopt Resolution combining Wards for April 3, 2018 Spring Election. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

a. Minutes of Planning Commission meeting held February 13, 2018.

b. Minutes of Tourism Commission meeting held November 16, 2017.

c. Minutes of Historical Society Board meeting held January 18, 2018.

Cm. Lescohier moved, seconded by Cm. Kotz to accept and file the reports of officers, boards and committees. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. *Recommendation from Planning Commission to approve Preliminary Certified Survey Map creating one lot and an outlot on Doris Drive with contingencies.*

Engineer Selle provided the recommendation to approve the preliminary CSM creating one lot and an out lot on Doris Drive.

Cm. Hartwick moved, seconded by Cm. Lescohier to approve the recommendation from Planning Commission to approve the Preliminary Certified Survey Map creating one out and an outlot on Doris Drive with the following contingencies: submittal of an as-built confirming the public right of way limits for Doris Drive and a clear indication of public/private water main in the area of the eastern boundary of the proposed parcel and addition of easement for maintenance of such on whatever property it will occupy. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

b. *Reappropriate funding for dive filter/pump replacement at Aquatic Center.*

Park & Rec Director Scott Lastusky discussed the purpose of the dive well pool and how it operates. The filters of the dive well are aged and are reaching the end of their life cycle. Staff has been in discussion with the Fort Atkinson Community Foundation who welcomed an application for this replacement. The Foundation approved a matching grant of \$17,000 for the \$34,000 project. There is \$15,000 budgeted for the dive well filters in future CIP plus \$7,000 for a new dive well pump. The City could save funding if this project is completed in 2018.

Cm. Lescohier moved, seconded by Cm. Kotz to approve the budget reappropriation of \$14,000 from general fund contingency to Aquatic Center Capital Outlay. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

c. *Review and approve quotes for purchase of materials for signalization project on Madison and Reena Avenues.*

Electrician Jeff Armstrong reviewed the bids for materials to install lights at the intersection of Madison Avenue and Reena Avenue. This is the intersection of Kwik Trip Taco Bell/KFC and Subway adjacent to Holiday Inn new developments.

Cm. Lescohier moved, seconded by Cm. Hartwick to approve the quote for purchase of materials for signalization project on Madison and Reena Avenues from TAPCO not to exceed \$56,740. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

d. *Update on financial status of Historical Society Funds.*

Manager Trebatoski reviewed the calendar year-end reports on the Hoard Trust Funds.

Cm. Kotz moved, seconded by Cwmn. Gehred to accept and file the financial reports of Historical Society Funds. Motion carried.

e. *Review Annual Reports for City Departments for 2017.*

Cm. Kotz moved, seconded by Cm. Hartwick to accept and file the annual reports for City Departments for 2017. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS

a. Report on 2017 tax collections and delinquent personal property taxes.

Cm. Lescohier moved, seconded by Cm. Kotz to accept and file; and refer delinquent personal property taxes to City Attorney for collection. Motion carried.

b. Granting operator licenses.

Cm. Kotz moved, seconded by Cm. Hartwick to grant operator licenses. Motion carried.

c. Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License for Fort Atkinson Lions Club's annual smelt fry at the Municipal Building on April 6, 2018.

Cwmn. Gehred moved, seconded by Cm. Kotz to approve the Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License for Fort Atkinson Lions Club's annual smelt fry at the Municipal Building on April 6, 2018. Motion carried.

d. Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License for Fort Atkinson Lions Club's annual corn and chicken dinner at Jones Park on August 19, 2018.

Cwmn. Gehred moved, seconded by Cm. Hartwick to approve the Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License for Fort Atkinson Lions Club's annual corn and chicken dinner at Jones Park on August 19, 2018. Motion carried.

e. City, Sewer, Water and Stormwater Utility Financial Statements as of January 31, 2018.

Cm. Lescohier moved, seconded by Cm. Kotz to approve, accept and file the City, Sewer, Water and Stormwater Utility Financial Statements as of January 31, 2018. Motion carried.

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 Cwmn. Gehred and carried on a roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Cm. Hartwick moved, seconded by Cm. Kotz to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm.

Michelle Ebbert, City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED:

PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL