
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
February 6, 2006

CITY OF ELKHORN
9 S. BROAD ST., ELKHORN, WI 53121

Mayor Michael Roberts called the Common Council to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Michael Roberts; Aldermen William Hoffmann, John Karcher, Howie Reynolds, Julie Taylor, Charles Van Dyke

Absent: Alderman Scott McClory

Also present: City Administrator Sam Tapson, City Clerk Nancy Jacobson, City Attorney Ward Phillips, Police Chief Joel Christensen, Public Works Director Terry Weter, Parks and Recreation Director Jeff Simons

Others present: James Adams, Jarad Video; Lucas Lauderback, Elkhorn Independent; Jim Howe, Godfrey Law Firm; John Giese, Mayoral candidate; Ron Dunwiddie Aldermanic candidate for District 3; Ann Pienkos, Lakeland Builders

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing was held concerning the vacating of a cul-de-sac at the end of Fairway Lane in Fairways Edge Business Park. Jim Howe, attorney for Fairways Edge, the vacated cul-de-sac would make the plat match the actual construction.

Ann Pienkos, Lakeland Builders, asked for clarification where the cul-de-sac is located. Howe explained that it was not in the area where Lakeland Builders is constructing its new facility.

With no further comments from the public, Mayor Roberts closed the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion (Van Dyke/Hoffmann) to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: Minutes of the January 16, 2006, Common Council meeting; Bartender Operator Licenses for Kurt R. Jennison, Kelly S. Beall, Holly E. Dondiego, Robyn E. Schuh to expire June 30, 2007. Motion carried by the majority present.

ACTION TAKEN

Department of Public Works Trucks

Motion (Karcher/Van Dyke) to purchase two half-ton two-wheel drive pickup trucks for \$13,222.23 each Lynch Truck Center plus the cost to equip the trucks. Roll call vote: Karcher, yes; Hoffmann, yes; Reynolds, yes; Taylor, yes; Van Dyke, yes. Motion carried.

HVAC Proposal for the Police Department

Motion (Karcher/Van Dyke) to approve \$5,170 for the replacement of the air conditioning and furnace from Komfort Heating & Cooling. Motion carried by the majority present. Roll call vote: Karcher, yes; Hoffmann, yes; Reynolds, yes; Taylor, yes; Van Dyke, yes. Motion carried.

Motion (Karcher/Van Dyke) to amend the motion to include a 2006 Budget Adjustment of \$5,170 for the purchase of the HVAC. Motion carried by the majority present.

Squad Laptop Computers and Equipment

Motion (Karcher/Hoffmann) to authorize the acceptance of the proposal from Baycomm for \$7,712 for the purchase of the squad laptop computers and equipment. Motion carried by the majority present.

Salt Contract

Motion (Van Dyke/Reynolds) to approve the salt contract with North American Salt Company for bulk rock water conditioning salt that begins February 1, 2006, through January 31, 2007. Motion carried by the majority present.

Internet Connection for Water Plant

Motion (Van Dyke/Reynolds) to approve the purchase of an Internet connection for \$600 per year plus \$149 for installation with Charter Business Networks for the Water Plant. Roll call vote: Karcher, yes; Hoffmann, yes; Reynolds, yes; Taylor, yes; Van Dyke, yes. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 06-01: Establishing Salary Schedule for Elected Officials

Motion (Karcher/Reynolds) to defeat Ordinance No. 06-01: Establishing Salary Schedule for Elected Officials. Motion carried by the majority present. Alderman Hoffmann opposed the motion.

Resolution No. 06-05: Fairways Edge Business Park Vacated Cul-de-Sac

Motion (Van Dyke/Taylor) to adopt Resolution No. 06-05 vacating the cul-de-sac at Fairway Lane in the Fairways Edge Business Park. Motion carried by the majority present.

Copier Machine for Parks & Recreation Department

Motion (Van Dyke/Hoffmann) to approve the purchase of a copy machine from Martin Office for \$3,585.95. Roll call vote: Karcher, yes; Hoffmann, yes; Reynolds, yes; Taylor, yes; Van Dyke, yes. Motion carried.

Amendment to Records Management Consulting Agreement

Motion (Reynolds/Van Dyke) to approve the amendment to the Records Management Agreement with Precision organizing and Records Management for the Department of Public Works for \$18,600. Roll call vote: Karcher, yes; Hoffmann, yes; Reynolds, yes; Taylor, yes; Van Dyke, yes. Motion carried.

Contract Renewal for Elkhorn Business Park

Motion (Karcher/Reynolds) to approve the contract renewal with ICI Commercial for broker services in the Elkhorn Business Park. Motion carried by the majority present.

STAFF REPORTS

Sewer Rate Structure/Cost of Operation

City Administrator Tapson reported to Council that there is a need to adjust the sewer rates due to an increase of 9% from WALCOMET. He said he would take the issue to Finance and Judicial Committee for further discussion.

Lions Den Demolition

Council discussed the Lions Den demolition. City Administrator Tapson said that the City received an offer tear down the Lions Den at no cost. However, the demolition is only a small portion of the actual cost, approximately \$255. The removal of the debris is the major cost of the demolition. Recommendation from staff is to bid the entire project, demolition and rebuild, to one contractor. Bids would be sent out to general contractors with specifications developed by the City Engineer.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Candidates for the Spring General Election introduced themselves. John Giese asked about the discussions on the Courthouse, Police Dept. and City Hall. Mayor Roberts said that the City is discussing options as far as the move. The present agreement for moving the Police Department to the Courthouse is still in affect.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion (Van Dyke/Hoffmann) to adjourn at 8:16 p.m. Motion carried by the majority present.

Nancy B. Jacobson
City Clerk