



**City of Burlington
Official Minutes
Common Council
Robert Miller, Mayor
Beverly R. Gill, City Clerk
December 4, 2012**

1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

Mayor Bob Miller called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. starting with roll call. Aldermen present: Bob Prailes, Ed Johnson, Peter Hintz, Ruth Dawidziak, Tom Vos, Steve Rauch, Tom Preusker, Katie Simenson
Students present: Cullen Vos Excused: Alexa Aguirre

Also present: City Attorney John Bjelajac, City Administrator Kevin Lahner, Fire Chief Richard Lodle, Police Chief Peter Nimmer, Supervisor Streets and Parks Dan Jensen, Treasurer Steve DeQuaker, Library Director Gayle Falk, Assistant to the Administrator Megan Watkins, Stephanie Schulte of Racine County Economic Development Corporation, Tom Foht of Kapur Engineering.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Miller led the council, staff and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

None

4. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT

Mr. Eric Thomson, President of the Chamber of Commerce reported on chamber activities. Thomsen thanked the city for their continued support. He reported on Discover Wisconsin which will be highlighting the bike trail in Burlington; Christmas parade on December 7th and chamber dinner on January 17, 2013.

5. APPROVAL OF COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 20, 2012

A motion was made by Simenson with a second by Hintz to approve the Common Council minutes of November 20, 2012. With all in favor, the motion carried.

6. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS

None

7. REPORTS BY ALDERMANIC REPRESENTATIVES AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

Preusker commented on the success of the new process for leaf pick up.

Lahner introduced the new Public Works Director, Mr. Craig Workman. His first day on the job will be Monday, December 10th, 2012.

Nimmer reported on a new program called "Shop the Cop" a program that is being funded by Wal-Mart. The local police will be working with families provided by Love, Inc.

The mayor announced that he had been in talks with Aurora Hospital to try and find a solution to the recent announcement of closing the birthing unit at the hospital in early 2013.

The mayor also discussed the upcoming Christmas Parade and noted that council members should meet at 6:00 p.m. on the corner of Chandler Boulevard and Kane Street.

8. REPORTS 1-5

A motion to approve Reports 1-5 was made by Preusker with a second by Vos. With all in favor, the motion carried.

9. PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

A motion was made by Prailes with a second by Dawidziak to approve vouchers, pre-paids and reimbursements in the amount of \$178,645.48 Roll Call Aye: Prailes, Johnson, Hintz, Dawidziak, Vos, Rauch, Preusker, Simenson Nay: None. Motion carried 8-0.

10. LICENSES AND PERMITS

A motion was made by Johnson with a second by Hintz to approve the licenses as presented. With all in favor, the motion carried.

11. APPOINTMENTS AND NOMINATIONS

None

12. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

13. RESOLUTIONS

A. RESOLUTION 4581(32) "A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE AWARD OF THE BID FOR THE DOWNTOWN TRAFFIC SIGNAL MODIFICATION PROJECT TO PRO-ELECTRIC, INC., FOR THE NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$19,195.61"

A request for a second reading and a motion to approve was made by Hintz with a second by Vos. A motion to amend the resolution was made by Vos with a second by Johnson. With all in favor, the amended motion carried. The amendment will read: "RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AWARD OF THE BID FOR THE DOWNTOWN TRAFFIC SIGNAL MODIFICATION PROGRAM TO PRO ELECTRIC INC FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$19,195.61". Any references to "not-to-exceed" deleted from the body of the resolution and replaced with the bid price. Roll Call Aye: Prailes, Johnson, Hintz, Dawidziak, Vos, Rauch, Preusker, Simenson Nay: None Motion carried 8-0

B. RESOLUTION 4582(33) "A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE TASK ORDER NUMBER NINETY-ONE WITH KAPUR & ASSOCIATES FOR THE 2013 STREET AND UTILITY PROJECT FOR \$137,602"

A request for a second reading and a motion to approve was made by Dawidziak with a second by Vos. Discussion: Simenson would like to see bids from other engineering firms to be sure the city is receiving the best price. Lahner commented that in the future, the city will be developing a "Request for Proposal" for design work. Roll Call Aye: Prailes, Johnson, Hintz, Dawidziak, Vos, Rauch, Preusker, Simenson Nay: None Motion carried 8-0

C. RESOLUTION 4583(34) "A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2013 ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF BURLINGTON"

A request for a second reading and a motion to approve was made by Vos with a second by Rauch. Discussion: Simenson was concerned with the lack of details provided at the budget workshops and she was not comfortable with the arbitrary numbers regarding the sale of city owned property. Lahner said that in his opinion, there was greater detail provided for budgeting and the estimated amount on the sale of city property was based on the best information available. Roll Call Aye: Prailes, Johnson, Hintz, Dawidziak, Vos, Rauch, Preusker Nay: Simenson Motion carried 7-1

14. ORDINANCES

None

15. MOTIONS

A. MOTION 12-751 "A MOTION TO APPROVE A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS AND SIGN PERMIT APPLICATION IN THE HPC OVERLAY DISTRICT FOR 609 NORTH PINE STREET"

A motion was made by Rauch with a second by Johnson to approve Motion 12-751. With all in favor, the motion carried.

16. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Simenson with a second by Preusker to adjourn the meeting. With all in favor, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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