



CITY OF BURLINGTON
Common Council Minutes
Robert Miller, Mayor
January 2, 2013

1. Call to Order – Roll Call

Mayor Bob Miller called the meeting to order at 6:43 p.m. starting with roll call. Alderman present: Bob Prailes, Ed Johnson, Peter Hintz, Ruth Dawidziak, Tom Vos, Steve Rauch, Tom Preusker and Katie Simenson. Student Representatives present: Cullen Vos and Alexa Aguirre.

Also present: City Attorney John Bjelajac, City Administrator Kevin Lahner, Fire Chief Richard Lodle, Police Chief Peter Nimmer, Public Works Director Craig Workman, Public Works Supervisor Dan Jensen, Treasurer Steve DeQuaker, Library Director Gayle Falk and Tom Foht of Kapur Engineering.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

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

3. Citizen's Comments

None

4. Chamber of Commerce Report

None

5. Approval of Common Council Minutes for December 18, 2012

A motion was made by Johnson with a second by Hintz to approve the Common Council minutes of December 18, 2012. With all in favor, motion carried.

6. Letters and Communications

A. Correspondence from Barbara Kopack-Hill to end her appointment with the Police and Fire Commission.

A motion to accept and file correspondence A was made by Hintz, with a second by Vos. All were in favor, motion carried.

7. Reports by Aldermanic Representatives and Department Heads

Vos expressed concern regarding traffic signals at Jefferson and Bridge Streets. He stated the green light changes too fast, even before a car can get through the intersection. Simenson also stated her concern with the traffic signals at Milwaukee Avenue by Fred's. Tom Foht of Kapur and Associates stated that the signals would be tweaked in a few weeks, in addition to other signals from the Reconfiguration Study of Traffic Signals in the City of Burlington performed by Kapur and Associates.

8. Reports 1-4:

Report 1 – Library Board Minutes, November 27, 2012

Report 2 – Burlington Housing Authority, November 16, 2012

Report 3 – Burlington Housing Authority, November 28, 2012

Report 4 – Committee of the Whole Minutes, December 18, 2012

Dawidziak motioned to approve Reports 1–4, with a second by Preusker. All voted aye, motion carried.

9. Payment of Vouchers

A motion was made by Vos with a second by Johnson to approve vouchers, pre-paids and reimbursements in the amount of \$275,925.35, as presented. Roll Call Aye: Prailes, Johnson, Hintz, Dawidziak, Vos, Rauch, Preusker and Simenson. Nay: None. Motion carried 8-0.

10. Licenses and Permits

A motion was made by Rauch with a second by Hintz to approve the licenses as presented. All voted aye, motion carried.

11. Appointments and Nominations

None

12. Public Hearings

None

13. Resolutions

A. Resolution 4585(36) “A Resolution to consider a two-year contract with the Wisconsin Humane Society for animal control services”

A request for a second reading and a motion to approve was made by Simenson with a second by Alderman Vos. Roll Call Aye: Prailes, Johnson, Hintz, Dawidziak, Vos, Rauch, Preusker and Simenson. Nay: None. Motion carried 8-0.

B. Resolution 4587(38) “A Resolution to approve Addendum A to the Engagement Letter with Patrick Romenesko for the 2012 Audit”

A request for a second reading and a motion to approve was made by Preusker with a second by Vos. Roll Call Aye: Prailes, Johnson, Hintz, Dawidziak, Vos, Rauch, Preusker and Simenson. Nay: None. Motion carried 8-0.

C. Resolution 4589(40) “A Resolution to appoint Diahnn Halbach as the City Clerk of the City of Burlington”

A request for a second reading and a motion to approve was made by Prailes with a second by Dawidziak. Roll Call Aye: Prailes, Johnson, Hintz, Dawidziak, Vos, Rauch, Preusker and Simenson. Nay: None. Motion carried 8-0.

14. Ordinances

A. Ordinance 1959(13) to approve an amendment to the Official Zoning Map by rezoning 200 Bridge Street from B-1, Neighborhood Business District with a FW Floodway District, FFO and SWO Overlay.

Pruesker stated it was unfortunate the person who wrote a letter to the editor of the Standard Press newspaper was not present to discuss their concerns about adding more apartments to the city. The Council discussed the zoning changes and what they meant. A motion to approve was made by Prailes and seconded by Hintz. Roll Call Aye: Prailes, Johnson, Hintz, Dawidziak, Vos, Rauch, Preusker and Simenson. Nay: None. Motion carried 8-0.

15. Motions

A. Motion 12-752 to amend the Official Snowmobile Trail Map in the City of Burlington.

Johnson motioned to approve Motion 12-752, seconded by Alderman Hintz. All voted aye, motion carried.

16. Adjourn into Closed Session

Wis. Stats 19.85(1)(c), considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

A motion was made by Dawidziak with a second by Vos to adjourn into closed session at 7:02 p.m. Roll Call Aye: Prailes, Johnson, Hintz, Dawidziak, Vos, Rauch, Preusker and Simenson. Nay: None. Motion carried 8-0.

17. Reconvene Into Open Session

A motion was made by Vos with a second by Simenson to return to open session. With all in favor the motion carried.

18. Recommendation from Closed Session

There were no recommendations.

19. Adjourn

A motion was made by Dawidziak with a second by Simenson to adjourn the meeting. With all in favor, the meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

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