



CITY OF BURLINGTON
Official Minutes of the Common Council
Robert Miller, Mayor
Diahnn C. Halbach, City Clerk
May 7, 2013

1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

Mayor Bob Miller called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. starting with roll call. Aldermen present: Ed Johnson, Peter Hintz, Ruth Dawidziak, Tom Vos, Jon Schultz, Tom Preusker, and Todd Bauman. Excused: Bob Prailes

Student Representative present: Cullen Vos and Alexa Aguirre

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

Before continuing, Mayor Miller took a moment to recognize the City's Student Council, Cullen Vos and Alexa Aguirre. Tuesday, May 7, 2013 was the last night of their term on Council. Mayor wished them both well and thanked them for their time and dedication to the Council.

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

3. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

None

4. APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES FOR MAY 7, 2013

A motion was made by Johnson with a second by Hintz to approve the council minutes from May 7, 2013. With all in favor, the motion carried.

5. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS

None

6. REPORTS BY ALDERMANIC REPRESENTATIVES AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

Preusker took a moment to recognize and congratulate Student Council Representative, Cullen Vos and Student Representative for the Airport Committee, Rosie Uhen, for their achievement in receiving the Southern Lakes Economics Excellence Award.

Johnson expressed his concern regarding the need for handicap operators at the police station and asked whether or not this is something that has been considered to be added to the police building. Mayor Miller said this is something we can look into and asked Chief Nimmer to have someone on his staff follow-up on.

Chief Nimmer reminded all about the upcoming Police Memorial scheduled for Wednesday, May 15, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. at the Veteran's Terrace. Nimmer said an email would also be sent out, but just wanted to give everyone a head's up.

Library Director, Gayle Falk took time to recognize long-time employee Eunice Streiff on her retirement after 47 years of employment at the library.

7. REPORTS 1-11

A motion to approve Reports 1-11 was made by Johnson with a second by Vos. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Preusker asked why there were so many reports dating back as far as some did. Mayor Miller responded that some of the items were thrown off schedule due to the postponement of the April 2, 2013 Council Meeting and the Reorganization Committee Meeting on April 16, 2013. With all in favor, the motion carried.

8. PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

A motion was made by Hintz with a second by Johnson to approve vouchers, pre-pays and reimbursements in the amount of \$336,599.02.

Roll Call Aye: Johnson, Hintz, Dawidziak, Vos, Schultz, Preusker, and Bauman. Nay: None. Motion carried 7-0.

9. LICENSES AND PERMITS

A motion was made by Dawidziak with a second by Bauman to approve the submitted requests for licenses and permits as presented.

Attorney John Bjelajac spoke in regards to the denial of the Operator's License for Mr. William Ramlow. Bjelajac clarified that Mr. Ramlow was not being denied due to a felony and wanted to state for the record that Mr. Ramlow's denial was based on habitual misdemeanor offenses.

With all in favor, the motion carried.

10. APPOINTMENTS AND NOMINATIONS

None

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

12. RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 4611(1) to consider approving the award of the City of Burlington Tree Inventory and Database Development, Urban Forestry Management Plan, Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Plan, and Employee Training Project to Wachtel Tree Science & Service, Inc. in the amount of \$35,475.

A request for a second reading and a motion to approve was made by Vos with a second by Hintz. There was no discussion. Roll Call – Aye: Johnson, Hintz, Dawidziak, Vos, Preusker, Schultz, Bauman. Motion carried 7-0.

Resolution 4613(3) to consider authorizing SSA Design Group, Inc. to submit an application for a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Grant for improvements to Wehmhoff Jucker Park.

A request for a second reading and a motion to approve was made by Preusker with a second by Vos.

Preusker asked if this resolution was just to approve the grant application. Mayor Miller responded that this resolution is to approve the expansion of funds to have the grant written and submitted. There was no further discussion. Roll Call – Aye: Johnson, Hintz, Dawidziak, Vos, Schultz, Preusker, Bauman. Motion carried 7-0.

Resolution 4614(4) to consider authorizing SSA Design Group, Inc. to submit an application for a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Grant for improvements to Sunset Park Trail.

A request for a second reading and a motion to approve was made by Hintz with a second by Dawidziak.

There was no discussion. Roll Call – Aye: Johnson, Hintz, Dawidziak, Vos, Schultz, Preusker, Bauman. Motion carried 7-0.

13. ORDINANCES

None

14. MOTIONS

Motion 13-756 to consider approving a Certificate of Appropriateness and Sign Permit in the HPC Overlay District for 336 N. Pine Street.

Johnson motioned to approve Motion 13-756, seconded by Alderman Preusker. All voted aye, motion carried.

15. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dawidziak with a second by Vos to adjourn the meeting. With all in favor, the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Meeting Minutes Respectfully Submitted by:

Diahnn C. Halbach
City Clerk
City of Burlington
Racine and Walworth Counties