



CITY OF BURLINGTON
Official Minutes of the Common Council
Robert Miller, Mayor
Diahnn C. Halbach, City Clerk
July 16, 2013

1. Call To Order – Roll Call

Mayor Bob Miller called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. starting with roll call. Aldermen present: Robert Prailes, Ed Johnson, Ruth Dawidziak, Tom Vos, Jon Schultz, Tom Preusker, and Todd Bauman. Excused: Peter Hintz.

Also present: City Attorney John Bjelajac, Fire Chief Perry Howard, Public Works Director Craig Workman, Library Director Gayle Falk and City Engineer Tom Foht.

2. Citizen Comments

- Charlene Mills, 340 Wainwright, stated she would have liked the City to provide more updates on the City website and Facebook page regarding the status of the train horns. She further stated she spoke with staff regarding this matter prior to the meeting.

3. Chamber of Commerce Representative

None

4. Approval of the City Council Minutes for July 2, 2013

A motion was made by Schultz, with a second by Bauman, to approve the Council Minutes from June 18, 2013. Dawidziak requested an amendment to the July 2, 2013 Minutes under Chamber of Commerce Representative. Dawidziak stated it was not Jeffrey Van Lysel at the meeting. With all in favor, the motion carried for the amended minutes.

5. Letters and Communications

A motion to approve a letter from Alderman Hintz regarding his absence from the meetings was made by Preusker, with a second by Johnson. With all in favor, the motion carried.

6. Reports by Aldermanic Representatives and Department Heads

None.

7. Reports 1-2

A motion to approve Reports 1-2 was made Bauman with a second by Dawidziak. With all in favor, the motion carried.

8. Payment of Vouchers

A motion was made by Prailes, with a second by Vos, to approve vouchers, pre-paids and reimbursements in the amount of \$815,120.26.

- Preusker questioned if there was ever discussion regarding the cost of the annual audit and if our current costs were too high. Mayor Miller stated the cost was budgeted for in the 2012 budget. Prailes stated he believes the cost has been the same for several years. Vos stated the cost may have increased slightly over the years with Romenesko. Preusker questioned if it is a limited scope audit. Mayor Miller stated it is not. Vos further stated the cost is divided among several funds, not exclusively out of the General Fund.
- Johnson questioned why there are so many WE Energies bills and if it could be broken down. Mayor Miller stated they are for several street lights, parks, ball diamonds, municipal buildings, etc. Preusker questioned if the street lights are metered individually. Craig Workman stated they are not metered, but are a straight cost. He further stated the traffic lights are metered. Schultz questioned if the City intends to convert the street lights to LED lights. Workman stated the City will upgrade the City-owned decorative street lights; however, WE Energies will have to upgrade their street lights. Mayor Miller stated the PSC is now allowing the conversion to LED lights and the City will upgrade sixty light fixtures this year. Preusker stated he would like to see a cost analysis between the standard lights and the LED lights. Vos stated if LED lights are installed, likely the rates will go up and it'll be a wash.
- There were no further comments.

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

9. Licenses and Permits

A motion was made by Johnson, with a second by Bauman, to approve the submitted requests for licenses and permits as presented. With all in favor, the motion carried.

10. Appointments and Nominations

- Mayor Miller reminded the Council that they still need to provide names of citizens they'd like to sit on the Citizen Budget Partners Committee.

11. Public Hearings

Mayor Miller opened the Public Hearing at 6:50 p.m. to hear comments and concerns from the public regarding a rezone request for property located at 508 Sheldon Street to rezone the parcel from I-1, Institutional District, to M-1, Light Manufacturing District.

- There were no comments.

Dawidziak motioned to closed the Public Hearing, with a second by Vos. With all in favor, the motion carried. Mayor Miller closed the Public Hearing at 6:56 p.m.

12. Resolutions

A. Resolution 4623(13) to approve a Certified Survey Map for property located at 508 Sheldon Street.

A request for a second reading and a motion to approve was made by Vos, with a second by Johnson. There was no discussion. Roll Call: Ayes-Johnson, Dawidziak, Vos, Schultz, Preusker, Bauman, Prailes; Nays-None. Motion carried 7-0.

13. Ordinances

A. Ordinance 1969(3) to rezone Lot 2 of 508 Sheldon Street from I-1, Institutional District, to M-1, Light Manufacturing District.

A request for a second reading and a motion to approve was made by Schultz, with a second by Dawidziak. There was no discussion. Roll Call: Ayes-Dawidziak, Vos, Schultz, Preusker, Bauman, Prailes, Johnson; Nays-None. Motion carried 7-0.

14. Motions

A. Motion 13-761 to approve the 2012 annual Audit.

A motion was made by Preusker, with a second by Bauman, to approve the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

15. Adjournment

A motion was made by Bauman, with a second by Johnson, to adjourn the meeting. With all in favor, the meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Meeting Minutes Submitted by:

Megan E. Watkins
Director of Administrative Services