

CITY OF BARRON, WI
MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, June 12, 2018, 6:00 P.M.
CITY HALL, 1456 EAST LASALLE AVENUE, BARRON, WI 54812

1. Call to order

Mayor Ron Fladten called a regular meeting of the City of Barron Common Council to order at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 12, 2018, pursuant to due notice. Roll call: Councilpersons Rod Nordby, Mike Dietrich, Kevin Haller, Peter Olson and Mo Tollman were present. Absent: Tony Allen. A quorum was confirmed. Also present were Mayor Ron Fladten, City Attorney Andrew Harrington, City Administrator-Clerk/Treasurer Bob Kazmierski, Assistant Administrator Kelli Rasmussen, City Engineer Teresa Anderson, Sue Christianson, Larry Johnson, Ty Gruetzmacher, Don Peterson, Mike Romsos, Bob Zientera. Mayor Fladten began the meeting with a prayer. All present joined to salute the flag.

2. Public Comments

Mo Tollman wished to thank the council for their kind words, prayers and support last month during the hospital stay of her great-grandson.

3. Presentation and final consideration of new way-signage throughout the City of Barron

Administrator Kazmierski presented a slide show of new way-signage to be considered – Ty Gruetzmacher and Don Peterson were on hand to answer questions. The total cost at this point for 11 signs is \$1,977.16. No action necessary.

4. Monthly Department Reports

Mike Romsos:

a. Wastewater Treatment Plant report

- CMAR (Compliance Maintenance Annual Report) delivered
The plant received a score of 3.94 out a total possible score of 4.00
- The city has a total of 22 ½ miles of sewer line in the city. In the last year, 10 miles of these lines were jetted/cleaned
- 3.9 million gallons of sludge was removed and spread over 140 acres
- 1400' of sanitary sewer line was replaced in 2017 at 3rd & 6th Streets
- The Sewer Usage Agreement was last updated in 2012. Mr. Romsos asked that a motion be made to update the agreement.

Motion by Dietrich, second by Olson to provide for an update to the Sewer Usage Agreement.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

b. Fire Department Report

- New Assistant Fire Chief – Ben Cole
- New Safety Officer – Courtney Goff
- 114 total calls in 2017 (Fire, Ambulance assists, etc.)
- Experienced fewer “lift assists” due to the implementation of the First Responder app
- Installed a tablet in the brush truck

Mike wished to thank the council for their support of the Fire Department

5. Discussion and recommendation of retention/sale of Rescue Truck

Fire Chief Romsos reported on the existing 1991 Rescue 2 truck – the truck was not designed to carry the heavy load that is required for a rescue truck, seeing more repairs and harder to find replacement parts. A new replacement truck could cost \$500,000 with a used one at about half that cost. No action taken at this time. Chief Romsos will work with Administrator Kazmierski in possibly incorporating this capital expense into future CIP.

6. Consideration of updated bid for Fire Protection System updates for Municipal Complex

Following the May 8th Regular City Council meeting, Mike Romsos was able to obtain a second bid from Summit for the Fire Protection System updates at the Municipal Complex.

Motion by Olson, second by Haller to amend May 8, 2018 motion; and to hire Summit for the Fire Protection System updates at a cost of \$3.250.

Roll Call Vote:

Voting in Favor: Nordby, Dietrich, Haller, Olson & Tollman

Voting against: None

5 ayes, 0 nays, Motion carried.

7. Consent Agenda:

Motion by Nordby, second by Tollman to approve the Consent Agenda with removing Items C,D,G & J for separate action:

- a. Reading and Approval of May 8, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes
- b. Reading and Approval of May 29, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes
- ~~c. Approval of Claims & Bills~~
- ~~d. Approval of request from Ellie Fogelberg (ER Bar) for use of the adjacent north alley, between S. Third Street and east end of building, for customer appreciation event, with food, during the day of June 16, 2018.~~
- e. Approval of request by Kaela Huston to allow amplified music at the Main Shelter on June 15, 2018 between 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
- f. Approval of request by Barron High School Class of 1972 to possess alcohol beyond 8:00 PM to midnight (12:00 PM) at the Island Shelter in Anderson Park on August 24, 2018
- ~~g. Approval of request by Katie Bieniek (Skippy's Bar) to close S. Fourth Street and alley for fundraiser for Fire & Police Departments on September 8, 2018 (Fall Fest)~~
- h. Approval of Operator's License to Serve for Barbara Jean Webb, Christina Mae Buechner, April Lynn Hill and Alexander J. Mojica for the period ending June 30, 2018
- i. Approval of the renewal Operators License to Serve for the period of July 1, 2018 to June 20, 2019 as per list dated June 9, 2018 on file with the City Clerk-Treasurer
- ~~j. Approval of renewal applications for the following existing Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage Licenses for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019:~~

~~Renewal Applications for Class "A" Beer and Class "A" Liquor licenses:~~

~~Renewal Application for Class "A" Retailers Fermented Malt Beverage license:~~

~~Renewal Applications for Class "B" Beer and Class "B" Liquor licenses:~~

~~Renewal Application for Class "B" Retailers Fermented Malt Beverage license:~~

Roll Call Vote:

Voting in Favor: Nordby, Dietrich, Haller, Olson and Tollman

Voting against: None

5 ayes, 0 nays, Motion carried.

Consent Agenda Item C:

Motion by Haller, second by Nordby to approve Bills and Claims.

Roll Call Vote:

Voting in Favor: Nordby, Dietrich, Haller, Olson & Tollman

Voting against: None

5 ayes, 0 nays, Motion carried.

Consent Agenda Item D:

Motion by Dietrich, second by Olson to approve the of request from Ellie Fogelberg (ER Bar) for use of the adjacent north alley, between S. Third Street and east end of building, for customer appreciation event, with food, during the day of June 16, 2018, with the stipulation that the area be fenced off, and cleaned-up following event.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Consent Agenda Item G:

Motion by Dietrich, second by Tollman to approve the of request by Katie Bieniek (Skippy's Bar) to close S. Fourth Street and alley for fundraiser for Fire & Police Departments on September 8, 2018 (Fall Fest) Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Consent Agenda Item J:

Motion by Olson, second by Haller to approve the renewal applications for the following existing Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage Licenses for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019:

Renewal Applications for Class "A" Beer and Class "A" Liquor licenses:

Kwik Trip, Inc. #748, Lori Ann Trotter, Agent, located at 211 East Division Ave, Barron, WI

Warren G's Liquor Store, LLC, Susan K. Glumske, Agent, located at 1227 East Division Ave, Barron, WI

United Ag Cooperative, d/b/a/ Barron Travel Plaza, Michele Potvin, Agent, located at 1710 East Division Ave, Barron, WI

Gordy's Barron Foods, Inc., Alex Zamarripa, Agent, located at 622 E. LaSalle Ave, Barron, WI

CAP Operations, d/b/a Holiday #6, Nicole Dixon, Agent, located at 530 East Division Ave, Barron, WI

Renewal Application for Class "A" Retailers Fermented Malt Beverage license:

CENERGY, LLC, d/b/a Mega Coop #3722, Melissa Dirkes, Agent, located at 7 S. Mill Street, Barron, WI

Renewal Applications for Class "B" Beer and Class "B" Liquor licenses:

The ER Bar, LLC, d/b/a ER BAR, Ellen C. Fogelberg, Agent, located at 54 S. 3rd Street, Barron, WI.

S&K Recycling, Inc. d/b/a Kate's Bar, Kathy A. Oleson, Agent, located at 56 S. 3rd Street, Barron, WI.

Skip's Entertainment, d/b/a Skippy's Bar, Katie Bieniek, Agent, located at 51 S. 4th Street, Barron, WI.

Rolling Oaks Restaurant & Lounge, Justin J. Olson, Agent, located at 450 W. Division Ave., Barron, WI.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #8338, David B. Peterson, Agent, located at 1105 E. Division Ave., Barron, WI.

5th Street Saloon, Troy W. Hom, Agent, located at 48 S. 5th Street, Barron, WI

Riverside Steakhouse, LLC, d/b/a Riverside Saloon, Jerome R. Carle, Agent, located at 439 N. 7th Street, Barron, WI.

Renewal Application for Class “B” Retailers Fermented Malt Beverage license:

Barron Golf Club, Inc., Michael Davis, Agent, located at 440 W. Division Avenue, Barron, WI
Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

8. Update on Water Tower #2 Project (Teresa Anderson-MSA Professional Services)

On May 14, the Barron Utility Commission authorized MSA to investigate possible additional locations for a water tower that would not conflict with the existing Barron Municipal Airport and/or the Airport Layout Plan. MSA proposed a site near decommissioned Well #5, along West Maple Avenue, south of the golf course. The FAA has determined that a tower at this location would not be a hazard to air navigation. Additionally, there are no floodplain or wetland impacts, and a major water main extension would not be required. On June 4, MSA met with City staff to discuss options for the water tower location. Because there is a strong preference for the additional storage to be located on the north or east side of the river, and because we understand that the City may soon be making some policy decisions as to the status of the Barron Municipal Airport, MSA will wait until those decisions have been made prior to committing to a site and continuing design of the tower. While this delay for design will likely mean that construction will not start in 2018, it will still be possible to bid the tower in the fall of 2018 for construction in 2019. At this point we anticipate that the project will be completed within that timeframe.

3rd Street and 6th Street:

MSA has contacted A-1 Excavating and Harmon Concrete regarding warranty repairs to cracked concrete. That work will be scheduled in the near future.

Anderson Park:

MSA is working with Bjugstad Enterprises to get the bonds, insurance and construction contracts in place for late-summer construction start.

Barron-Cameron WWTF:

Over the next several weeks, MSA will be providing operational assistance in recovery of the aerated lagoons from their current distressed condition.

9. Discussion and possible consideration of bid for appraisal services

Two bids were received for appraisal services.

Motion by Dietrich, second by Tollman to approve the bid from Gargulak Appraisal Services in the amount of \$3,500 (Option 1) and to allow City Administrator to select Option 2 (\$7,500) if individual appraisals are needed.

Roll Call Vote:

Voting in Favor: Nordby, Dietrich, Haller, Olson & Tollman

Voting against: None

5 ayes, 0 nays, Motion carried.

10. Discussion and consideration of Barron County Housing Study contribution (Option #2)

Motion by Dietrich, second by Tollman to approve Option 2 for the Barron County Housing Study contribution.

Roll Call Vote:

Voting in Favor: Nordby, Dietrich, Haller, Olson & Tollman

Voting against: None

5 ayes, 0 nays, Motion carried.

11. Committee Reports

Mayor Fladten wished to announce that there will be a public hearing on July 10, 2018 to discuss the Barron Airport.

Tollman: Police Committee met to discuss future meeting dates. Library Board-Summer Reading program is off to a great start (137 participants at the first event).

Dietrich: Golf Board met to discuss equipment repairs, the 2017 lightening strike and subsequent damage; the course is now operating in the black.

Administrator Report:

- a. Police Department letter of recognition of record-keeping procedures
- b. Post prom committee letter of appreciation
- c. Downtown revitalization plan-Kazmierski offered to develop RFP to elicit bids.
- d. Spring Clean Up costs-total municipal costs of 2018 Spring cleanup was \$6,786.87

Duly moved to adjourn at 8:28 p.m.

Prepared by Kelli Rasmussen, Assistant City Administrator