

**CITY OF BARRON, WI**  
**MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL REGULAR**  
**MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, August 18, 2020, 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, August 18, 2020, pursuant to due notice. Roll call: Councilpersons Rod Nordby, Kevin Haller, Byron Miller, Peter Olson, Paul Solie and Mo Tollman were present. Absent: None. A quorum was confirmed. Also present were: City Attorney Andrew Harrington, City Administrator Liz Jacobson, City Clerk-Treasurer Kelli Rasmussen, Teresa Anderson, Dave Armstrong, Lori Zahrbock, Kevin Mullen (virtually present) Bob Zientera and Officer Schofield. Council President Rod Nordby began the meeting with a prayer. All present joined to salute the flag.

2. Public Comments

None

3. Appearance by Teresa Anderson, MSA Professional Services, Inc.

a) Water Tower Project Update

Skyline Painting is on site, work proceeding well and should be finished within 2 weeks, followed by 2-3 weeks of electrical work and another week to get the tank online.

b) Water Tower Application for Payment 13

Motion by Olson, second by Tollman to approve Payment 13 in the amount of \$21,000 to Maguire Iron. Motion carried, all ayes.

c) Water Tower Change Order 4

Motion by Haller, second by Olson to approve Water Tower Change Order 4 as presented. Motion carried, all ayes.

4. Appearance by Dave Armstrong – Development Activities

Dave Armstrong with Barron County Economic Development Corporation appeared to present an update on the County's economy in the wake of the COVID pandemic.

5. Appearance by Lori Zahrbock, Benjamin's House Emergency Shelter

Lori Zahrbock appeared to give a presentation on a single tiny home pilot project being built to provide temporary shelter for the homeless.

6. Presentation of Preliminary Debt Restructure Opportunity by Kevin Mullen, Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated and Liz Jacobson, City Administrator

Kevin Mullen provided a virtual presentation on a debt restructuring opportunity for the city in regard to current debt and future projects in the works.

7. Consideration of Approval of Claims and Bills

Motion by Olson, second by Haller to approve the Claims and Bills as presented. Motion carried, all ayes.

8. Consent Agenda:

- a. Reading and Approval of July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- b. Reading and Approval of July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 Joint Special Meeting of the Common Council and Barron Utility Commission Meeting Minutes
- c. Reading and Approval of July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 Special Council Meeting Minutes
- d. Approval of Operator's License to Serve for the period ending June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021 for:
  - i. Michelle Lee Schoer Stokes
  - ii. Shannon Michelle Andrea
  - iii. Rebecca J. Hilson
  - iv. Lindsey Lee Bell
  - v. Dakota Skye Willers
  - vi. Austin Michael Hogan
  - vii. Josie Lyn Borgen
- e. Approval of Provisional License to Serve for the period of July 29<sup>th</sup> to September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 for Steven Richard Rosado
- f. Approval of Mayoral appointment of Redevelopment Authority Commissioners with initial terms as follows:
  - i. Mayor Ron Fladten – 1 Year
  - ii. Dillon Palmquist – 1 Year
  - iii. Bruce Rasmussen – 2 Years
  - iv. Tami Severude – 2 Years
  - v. Mary Haas – 3 Years
  - vi. Rod Nordby – 4 Years
  - vii. Joe Johnston – 5 Years

Motion by Olson, second by Haller to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried, all ayes.

9. Approval of Graphic House Gateway Sign Preliminary Project

Motion by Olson, second by Tollman to approve contracting with Graphic House for the design and build of a gateway sign for the east end of the city. Motion carried, all ayes.

10. Administrator and Committee Reports

Draft budget, financial projection, etc. to be focus next few weeks as we move into budget season.

11. Adjournment

Duly moved to adjourn at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kelli Rasmussen, City Clerk