

Minutes of a regular session of the Common Council of the City of Barron held September 8, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Council members present: David Vruwink, Rod Nordby, Kevin Haller, Maureen Tollman, Mike Dietrich, Tony Allen and Mark Thompson. Absent: none. Others present: Andrew Harrington, Mike Van Gilder, Troy Hom, Byron Miller, Nate Emmons, Mark Klein and Robert Zientara.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor David Vruwink.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given at this time.

Mayor David Vruwink started the meeting with a prayer.

Roll call was taken and a quorum was declared.

Moved by Nordby, seconded by Tollman to approve the consent agenda, as follows:

- a. Approval of the minutes of August 11, 2015 and August 18, 2015.
- b. Approval of the bills.
- c. Approval of the recommendation of the Police Committee to authorize Mandi Sinclair, Police Administrative Assistant to attend TiPSS Records Training update in Madison on October 8, 2015.
- d. Approval of the recommendation of the Police Committee to authorize Nathan Emmons, Police Investigator and Mandi Sinclair, Police Administrative Assistant to attend the 2015 Badger TraCS User Conference in Stevens Point on October 19, 2015.
- e. Authorize the Chamber of Commerce to sell beer in Anderson Park for fall fest on Friday, September 11, 2015 from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
- f. Approval of the recommendation of the Police Committee to change the schedule to have the police investigator work Monday thru Friday.

Voting in favor: Nordby, Haller, Tollman, Dietrich, Allen and Thompson.

Voting against: none. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.

Moved by Haller, seconded by Allen to approve the request dated August 31, 2015 from Troy & Mary Hom (5th Street Saloon) to block the east/west alley located south of their building located at 48 South 5th Street on September 13, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to midnight and for permission to drink alcoholic beverages within a fenced off area. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.

The following proposals were received earlier today for the preparation of a certified survey map and a concept plan for the Cobblestone Hotel project and golf course development:

1. CBS Squared \$3,850.00
2. MSA Professional Services \$5,600.00
3. Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc. \$6,400.00

Moved by Thomson, seconded by Nordby to approve the proposal from CBS Squared in the amount of \$3,850.00. Motion carried 6 ayes 0 naves.

Discussion took place on the cash balances and what the appropriate balances of the various recreation associations should be. A draft letter was reviewed which would be sent to the various associations from the city council and Mayor Vruwink. Associations could send the city a check which would be held for future expenditures in their program.

Moved by Nordby, seconded by Allen to authorize the proposed letter be sent to the various youth recreation associations. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 naves.

Mayor Vruwink reported that he would like to have the council recognize the efforts put forth by the master gardeners for work on the city hall gardens. He indicated he receives many compliments each season for the appearance of our gardens. A letter will be sent recognizing their efforts.

Committee reports of meetings held since last month were given at this time.

A special meeting will take place on Thursday, September 24, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of acting upon various TIF District resolutions and approval of an engineering firm for some of our 2016 street/utility projects.

Andrew Harrington, City Attorney explained the recent state law regarding deer hunting and its effect on our local deer hunting ordinance.

Duly moved to adjourn at 7:20 p.m.

Tony Slagstad, City Clerk