

**CITY OF BARRON, WI  
MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2017, 6:00 P.M.  
CITY HALL, 1456 EAST LASALLE AVENUE, BARRON, WI 54812**

1. Call to order

Mayor David Vruwink called a regular meeting of the City of Barron Common Council to order at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 10, 2017, pursuant to due notice. Roll call: Councilpersons Mike Dietrich, Kevin Haller, Rod Nordby, Mo Tollman and Mark Thompson were present. Absent: Tony Allen. A quorum was confirmed. Also present were City Attorney Andrew Harrington, City Administrator-Clerk/Treasurer Bob Kazmierski, Assistant Administrator Kelli Rasmussen, Bob Zientara, Sue Queiser, Susan Glumski, Dave Schofield and Ron Fladten. All present joined to salute the flag. Mayor Vruwink began the meeting with a prayer.

2. Public Comments

Susan Glumski, Owner of Warren G's Liquor Store appeared to offer arguments opposing the Liquor License for Gordy's Market as listed on the Consent Agenda Item (f)

3. Monthly Department Reports:

Barron Public Library – Sue Queiser distributed a handout highlighting the 2017 Goals that have been accomplished and showcased various programs and discussed future goals

4. Consideration of RESOLUTION 2017-11:

Motion by Dietrich, second by Thompson to approve Resolution No. 2017-11 as follows:

**RESOLUTION No. 2017-11**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING A MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN  
FOR THE CITY OF BARRON**

**WHEREAS**, hazard mitigation planning is the process of developing a set of actions designed to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people, businesses, infrastructure, and property from hazards and their effects; and,

**WHEREAS**, Barron County has worked through a diverse, ad hoc project steering committee and in cooperation with West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission to update the Barron County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, to assess the magnitude of hazard risks, and to develop strategies for minimizing or reducing hazard risks; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Barron participated in the planning process through a meeting with community representatives to identify hazard risks, vulnerabilities, and strategies unique to the community, as well as through the review of draft plan materials; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Plan was reviewed and preliminarily approved by Wisconsin Emergency Management and FEMA as meeting the requirements of the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 and applicable Code of Federal Regulations; and,

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**WHEREAS**, adoption of the Plan by the City Council will meet prerequisite requirements which enables the City of Barron to apply for FEMA grant dollars for hazard mitigation projects;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the City Council adopts the *Barron County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, 2017-2022* as the official all hazards mitigation plan for the City of Barron with the intent of implementing the plan recommendations as funding and resources allow.

Ayes-5      Nays-0      Absent-1      Motion carried.

Motion by Haller, Second by Tollman to remove Item (f) from the Consent Agenda for separate action.

Ayes-5      Nays-0      Absent-1      Motion carried.

## 5. Consent Agenda

Motion by Haller, second by Tollman to approve the Consent Agenda as amended:

- a. Reading and Approval of Minutes from September 12, 2017 Regular Council Meeting
- b. Reading and Approval of Minutes from September 26, 2017 Special Council Meeting (Open Session and Closed Session)
- c. Approval of Claims and Bills
- d. Approve authorization of the use of the field at the corner of 18<sup>th</sup> Street and HWY 8 for Annual Car Show and Swap Meet by the Past Reflections Car Club on Sunday, September 9, 2018.
- e. Approval of Final Certified Survey Maps (CSM) within a parcel of land in the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 27 Township 34N, Range 12W, in the City of Barron, Barron County, Wisconsin, described in CSM No. 1293 and 2483. Lots 1-4 and Lots 5-6. Jon Nelson, Agent.
- f. ~~Approval of Original Application for Class 'A' Beer and Class 'A' Liquor license from Gordy's Barron Foods, Inc., d/b/a GORDY'S MARKET, Jeffrey Donald Schafer, Agent, located at 622 E. LaSalle Ave, Barron, WI; contingent of an executed purchase agreement of Gordy's Market.~~
- g. Approval of concrete and blacktop crushing proposal from Glacier Rock Supply Inc.
- h. Approval of \$50.00 donation from Police Department towards Haunted Path
- i. Approval of Police Committee recommendation to hire Zachary Terpstra as an occasional Part-time Police Officer
- j. Approval of Police Committee recommendation of painting curb and to remove the four (4) hour parking on the North Side of E. Birch Ave
- k. Approval of hiring contractor to clean ditches on 14<sup>th</sup> Street between Woodland and Memorial at a cost of \$2,305

Roll Call Vote:

Voting in Favor: Allen, Dietrich, Haller, Nordby, Thompson and Tollman

Voting against: None

Absent: Allen

5 ayes, 0 nays, Motion carried.

Motion by Haller, second by Dietrich to deny the Approval of Original Application for Class 'A' Beer and Class 'A' Liquor license from Gordy's Barron Foods, Inc., d/b/a GORDY'S MARKET, Jeffrey Donald Schafer, Agent, located at 622 E. LaSalle Ave, Barron, WI

Ayes-5      Nays-0      Absent-1      Motion carried.

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6. Receive and Discuss Preliminary Engineering Evaluation for Water Storage #2

Dave Schofield (MSA Professional Services) appeared to discuss the Preliminary Engineering Evaluation for Water Storage #2. 1.5 million gallons is used daily in the city. It is recommended that daily usage to in elevated storage. Current storage is insufficient. WDNR recommends additional storage. MSA is recommending 400,000-gallon storage which would meet peak demand in the event there was a 3-hour fire. Current water tower is 300,000 gallons and turns over 4-5 times a day. With new tower that would be reduce to 2 times/day. Four locations are identified for new water tower. MSA is recommending site on north side of City. North of the Turkey Store was suggested due to its proximity to the large user. Other sites are near well #6 where there is close proximity to the 10-inch water main on N. Mill Street. 150' X 150' area of land is needed. There is also no issue with air traffic. Schofield presented three types of water storage tanks: 1) Spherical or Pedestal system (most common and similar to existing); 2) Composite Tank with concrete base; 3) Reservoir system or ground storage-which requires a booster pump station to pressurize system and there is an additional need to stabilize with existing elevated tower. A SCADA system would be appropriate for this type of system. O&M costs for most systems run roughly \$18,000-\$20,000 per year. Ground storage is more that elevated storage. MSA recommends Site A as an elevated storage. Petersen asked how the costs of the booster station and SCADA system were derived. Schofield based these estimates on similar size systems from neighboring communities. This project would start in 2018 and be completed in 2019. A Safe Drinking Water Fund loan will be applied for in June the subsidize the costs. Bids would be submitted in July, 2018 and preparation work would begin in Fall, 2018. In August, 2018 the project would be completed and online by September/October 2018.

7. Consider Acceptance of Preliminary Engineering Evaluation for Water Storage #2.

Motion by Nordby, second by Haller to table the Acceptance of the Preliminary Engineering Evaluation for Water Storage #2 and hold a joint meeting between the City Council and the Utility Commission.

Ayes-5      Nays-0      Absent-1      Motion carried.

8. Update of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

Administrator Bob Kazmierski gave an update on the Community Development Block Grant regarding the administrative duties tied to the grant.

9. Discussion and/or Consideration of railroad advanced warning signage and/or rumble strips

Discussion was held on the options for possible solutions to controlling traffic at the railroad crossings – possibilities included advanced warning signage, rumble strips and stop signs.

Motion by Dietrich, second by Haller to install Stop Signs at each of the 4 crossings, on both sides of the tracks.

Ayes-5      Nays-0      Absent-1      Motion carried.

10. Discussion and/or Consideration of barriers around retention pond at Rolling Oaks Parking Lot

Motion by Dietrich, second by Haller to approve having limestone boulders placed around the retention pond at the Rolling Oaks Parking Lot for an approximate cost of \$500.

Roll Call Vote:

Voting in Favor: Allen, Dietrich, Haller, Nordby, Thompson and Tollman

Voting against: None

Absent: Allen

5 ayes, 0 nays, Motion carried.

11. Consideration to elicit Request for Proposals (RFP) for risk management and liability insurance providers beginning in 2018

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Administrator Kazmierski was directed to move forward with eliciting Requests for Proposals for risk management and liability insurance providers beginning in 2018.

12. Consideration of Utility Commission's recommendation to the City Council to elicit proposals for new auditing services in 2018 for both City/Utility combined and City/Utility separated

Motion by Nordby, second by Thompson to deny Utility Commission recommendation and not elicit proposals for new auditing services for both City/Utility combined and City/Utility separated.

Ayes-5      Nays-0      Absent-1      Motion carried.

13. Presentation of Capital Improvement Plan

David Schofield, MSA Professional Services presented 2018-2022 Capital Improvement Plan

14. Consider proposed levy and priority capital outlay projects for the 2018 City of Barron Budget

Administrator Kazmierski presented the proposed levy and the priority capital outlay projects for the 2018 City of Barron Budget.

Moved by Haller, second by Nordby to approve a 2% levy increase.

Ayes-5      Nays-0      Absent-1      Motion carried.

Moved by Haller, second by Dietrich to approve the preliminary budget as presented and discussed.

Ayes-5      Nays-0      Absent-1      Motion carried.

Administrator Kazmierski has been directed to compose a notification to the Cupboard & Closet Thrift Store regarding our intent to cease paying for the monthly dumpster fees in 2018.

15. The council may convene in closed session proceedings under WI §19.85 (1)(e)

Motion by Dietrich, second by Nordby to convene in closed session proceedings under WI §19.85 {1} (e) to deliberate or negotiate the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. This pertains to discussion on land sale and purchase.

16. The council may continue in closed session proceedings under WI §19.85 (1)(c)

Motion by Dietrich, second by Nordby to continue in closed session proceedings under WI §19.85 {1} (c) to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

Roll Call Vote:

Voting in Favor: Allen, Dietrich, Haller, Nordby, Thompson and Tollman

Voting against: None

Absent: Allen

5 ayes, 0 nays, Motion carried.

17. The Council will reconvene in open session and may act on matters discussed in closed session and to complete the agenda.

Motion by Tollman, second by Nordby to Reconvene into Open Session and announce action taken.

Ayes-5      Nays-0      Absent-1      Motion carried.

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Two realtors have been in contact with Bob Kazmierski with interest in a city owned parcel. Comps were obtained with neighboring properties. Motion by Dietrich, second by Haller to forego placing a price on city property at this time but to entertain any offers that may be received.

Ayes-5      Nays-0      Absent-1      Motion carried.

Motion by Nordby, second by Haller to approve Option 2 as outlined in consideration of the opportunities for the Senior Center employee expenditures: Hire a part-time employee (not to exceed 15 hours/week) at \$10/hr.

Ayes-5      Nays-0      Absent-1      Motion carried

#### 18. Committee Reports

Alderman Dietrich gave an update on post-season reports from the various recreation groups; Administrator Kazmierski was asked to obtain a report from Katie Hanson-Mizer, Outdoor Pool Director.

#### 19. Administrator Report

Kazmierski presented 2018 Health Insurance cost estimates. Alderman Mike Dietrich provided two drafts of Mission Statement. Council recommended sharing both drafts with staff for input.

Duly moved to adjourn at 9:15 p.m.

Prepared by Kelli Rasmussen, Assistant Administrator  
City of Barron

These minutes were taken at a regular meeting held on October 10, 2017 and entered in this record book, November 15, 2017.

APPROVED