

MONONA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
November 5, 2012

The regular meeting of the Monona City Council was called to order by Mayor Miller at 7:32 p.m.

Present: Mayor Robert Miller, Alderpersons Chad Speight, Mary O'Connor, Brian Holmquist, Kathryn Thomas, Doug Wood, and Jim Busse

Also Present: City Administrator Patrick Marsh, Cari Fuss, David Haviland, Fire Chief Scott Sullivan, Public Works Director Dan Stephany, Recreation Director Jake Anderson, Police Chief Walter Ostrenga, Finance Director Marc Hautakker, and Gina Covelli (Herald-Independent).

ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion by Alder Holmquist, seconded by Alder Thomas to approve the City Council minutes of October 15, 2012, was carried.

A motion by Alder Wood, seconded by Alder O'Connor to approve the City Council minutes of October 24, 2012, was carried.

APPEARANCES

There were no appearances.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Miller called the Public Hearing To Receive Public Input Regarding the 2013 Proposed Capital Budget open. Seeing no citizens present, Mayor Miller called the Public Hearing closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

There was no Consent Agenda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A motion by Alder Wood, seconded by Alder Busse to Convene in Closed Session under Wisconsin Statute section 19.85(1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating 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 (5001 Monona Drive, LLC Development Agreement) and section 19.85(1)(f) Considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigations of charges against specific persons except where par.(b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations (City Employee). On a roll call vote, all members voted in favor of the motion.

Upon reconvening in Open Session:

A motion to suspend the rules and take action on this item by Alder Busse, seconded by Alder Speight carried. A motion by Alder Busse, seconded by Alder Thomas Approving Resolution 12-11-1892 Accepting the Resignation of Jack Jasensky and Approving a Retirement Agreement. There was no discussion and the motion carried unanimously.

A motion by Alder Busse, seconded by Alder Thomas Approving Resolution 12-10-1889 a Development Agreement with Monona Drive, LLC for a Residential Apartment Building and Townhouses on the Site of the Former UW Clinic at 5001 Monona Drive. Ms. Fuss provided a brief statement in regards to the project moving forward with plan submittal next week. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion by Alder Thomas, seconded by Alder Holmquist Approving Resolution 12-10-1886 a Proposal from SCS BT Squared for Construction Administration and Observation Services for Monona Drive Phase III Utility Construction. Mr. Stephany gave brief summary of the project and provided the Council with the bid tabulation. The motion carried five to zero, with Alder Busse abstaining.

Discussion began on Resolution 12-10-1887 Adopting the 2013 Capital Budget.

A motion by Alder Speight, seconded by Alder Wood to Adopt the 2013 Capital Budget. The following Amendments were considered prior to the motion carrying unanimously:

Amendment 13-01 – Alder Wood made a motion, seconded by Alder Busse to approve of the elimination of funding for the replacement of Fire Car #2. Alder Thomas made the motion to amend this amendment to fund the replacement of Fire Car #2 and fire suppression equipment for Fire Car #2 with \$64,500 of Ambulance Fund reserves. The motion was seconded by Alder Speight. Discussion followed with Chief Sullivan explaining the various uses for the car. The amended motion carried unanimously.

Amendment 13-02 – Alder Wood made a motion, seconded by Alder Busse to eliminate water bonds funding for the chemical room engineering. Discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously.

Amendment 13-03 – Alder Wood made a motion, seconded by Alder Busse to eliminate water bonds funding for well #2 reservoir expansion engineering. Discussion followed with Alder Thomas defending the project that was presented by the Public Works Committee. The motion failed by a five to one vote with Alder Wood voting in favor.

Amendment 13-04 – Alder Thomas made a motion, seconded by Alder Busse to increase funding for Broadway Avenue water main replacement with the funding source of TID #6. The motion passed unanimously.

Amendment 13-05 – Alder Busse made a motion, seconded by Alder Holmquist to change the funding source for Copps Avenue repaving from the GO bonds to TID #6. The motion passed unanimously.

Amendment 13-06 – Alder Holmquist made a motion, seconded by Alder Speight to reduce park erosion control funding from \$75,000 to \$7,000 for engineering only. The motion passed unanimously.

Amendment 13-07 – Alder Thomas made a motion, seconded by Alder Holmquist to increase funding for the public works pickup truck from \$12,000 to \$15,000. It was noted that the \$3,000 increase would be funded by the trade in value of the public works boom truck. The motion passed unanimously.

Amendment 13-08 – Alder Speight made a motion, seconded by Alder Holmquist to change the funding source for Stone Bridge Park engineering from GO bonds to storm water funding. The motion passed unanimously.

Amendment 13-09 – Alder Holmquist made a motion, seconded by Alder Busse to eliminate \$35,000 of funding for a lawn mower. The motion passed unanimously.

Amendment 13-10 – Alder Thomas made a motion, seconded by Alder O'Connor to add \$30,000 in funding for four (4) new voting machines. The motion passed unanimously.

Amendment 13-11 – Alder Wood made a motion, seconded by Alder Speight to decrease funding for the 2013 street repair and maintenance program from \$132,000 to \$50,000. Mr. Stephany was questioned by Alders as to the impact of the roads with the proposed reduction. Mr. Stephany stated that the decrease in funding could be managed for one year but he would like that future funding be kept for this program. The motion passed unanimously.

Amendment 13-12 – Alder Wood made a motion, seconded by Alder Thomas to decrease funding for water meter upgrades from \$60,000 to \$42,000. The motion passed unanimously.

Amendment 13-13-1 – Alder Busse made a motion, seconded by Alder Thomas to eliminate \$225,000 of funding for Fireman's Park shelter construction. The motion failed four (4) to two (2) with Alder Busse and Alder Thomas voting in favor.

Amendment 13-13 – Alder Thomas made a motion, seconded by Alder Speight to revise the Northern Winnequah Park Improvements Project cost based on updated numbers from Park and Recreation Director Jacob Anderson to \$658,000. Discussion followed. Alder Wood made a motion to amend the amendment, seconded by Alder Speight to reduce GO bond funding from \$275,000 to \$115,000 and to shift \$100,000 from the General Fund, fund balance to this project. Discussion followed and the amendment passed five (5) to one (1) with Alder Busse voting against.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no Miscellaneous Business.

REPORTS

Park and Recreation Director Anderson reminded everyone that the Hoot Hoot Hustle (a 5K run and fun walk) is on Saturday, November 10th, starting at 10:00 a.m. in Winnequah Park. Mr. Anderson thanked his assistant Melissa Kedorzki for her efforts on this event.

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City Administrator Marsh reminded those present of the upcoming Senior Center Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday, November 8th at the Community Center.

Alder O'Connor informed the Council that the new bus routes will be posted on the city website and in the Winter/Spring newsletter.

Mayor Miller thanked members and staff for the time spent on the Capital Budget. Mayor Miller also updated the council on a new joint purchasing initiative through DCCVA led by City Administrator Marsh. Mayor Miller also reminded the Alders to submit any 2013 Operating Budget amendments to staff as soon as possible.

APPOINTMENTS

There were no Appointments

ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Alder Speight, seconded by Alder Thomas, to adjourn, was carried. (10:25 p.m.)

Patrick Marsh
City Administrator