

MONONA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
January 22, 2013

The regular meeting of the Monona City Council was called to order by Mayor Miller at 7:29 p.m.

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

Excused: Alderpersons Doug Wood and Chad Speight

Also Present: City Administrator Patrick Marsh, School Crossing Guard Roy Armbrecht, Operations Lieutenant Frank Fenton, Public Works Director Dan Stephany, Fire Chief Scott Sullivan, and City Clerk Joan Andrusz

ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion by Alder Thomas, seconded by Alder O'Connor to approve the City Council minutes of December 17, 2012, was carried.

APPEARANCES

Scott Hermanson, 809 Pflaum Road, Madison, appeared before the Council and spoke in favor of granting a liquor license to The Pizza Oven.

Debbie and Bruce Darkow, 3802 Bass Lane, Cottage Grove registered in favor of granting a liquor license to The Pizza Oven.

Mayor Miller was joined by Lieutenant Fenton in presenting a Proclamation Recognizing School Crossing Guard Roy Armbrecht. Mr. Armbrecht made brief remarks.

PUBLIC HEARING

There was no Public Hearing.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion by Alder Thomas, seconded by Alder Holmquist to approve the 2012/2013 "Class B" Liquor License Application For The Pizza Oven of Monona, LLC, d/b/a The Pizza Oven, 5417 Monona Drive, Monona, Wisconsin, 53716, Agent Allen J. Darkow, 3802 Bass Lane, Cottage Grove, Wisconsin, 53527, was carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Works Director Stephany reported on Resolution 13-01-1899 Amending the 2013 Capital Budget to Use Unspent 2012 Emergency Generator Capital Budget Project Funds to Screen the Utility Emergency Generators at All Locations. A balance of \$90,000 is left in the 2012 Capital Budget. The request is to reallocate those funds to the 2013 Capital Budget to screen all seven locations. The Public Works Committee has begun the design process and the engineer will be at the February meeting. The cost is as yet unknown and may vary from site to site, with a goal of cost savings. Members expressed strong support for this appearance improvement. Public input is invited.

City Administrator Marsh reported the following item was tabled by the Finance & Personnel Committee to allow consultation with the City Attorney regarding whether this purchase falls under the State statute requirement for public bids for purchases over \$25,000. Public Works Director Stephany reported a quick response is needed when purchasing used equipment as it may be sold before usual approvals are available. This type of vehicle is not available locally so two Public Works employees would be required to travel to review the vehicle.

A motion by Alder Busse, seconded by Alder Thomas to table Resolution 13-01-1900 Authorization for Administrator Purchase Approval of Used Boom Truck, was carried.

Fire Chief Sullivan reported the following purchase is for the vehicle only and no change is anticipated in the State bid. A preliminary bid of \$24,500 was received for lights, sirens, etc. The Department will lower that cost by doing equipment work in-house and locally. Bids will be sought for the slide-in unit for the repurposed pick-up truck. City Administrator Marsh reported the fiscal note will be corrected to clarify that this purchase comes out of the ambulance fund.

A motion by Alder Thomas, seconded by Alder Busse to suspend the rules and take action on Resolution 13-01-1901 Purchase Approval of a 2013 Chevrolet Suburban Fire Department Command Vehicle, was carried.

A motion by Alder Thomas, seconded by Alder Busse to approve Resolution 13-01-1901 Purchase Approval of a 2013 Chevrolet Suburban Fire Department Command Vehicle. On a roll call vote, all members voted in favor of the motion.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no Miscellaneous Business.

REPORTS

Fire Chief Sullivan reported on the January 5 house fire. While the residence will most likely require demolition, there were no injuries. On January 28 there will be a noon luncheon in honor of Mike Jawson's retirement after 30 years of service.

Alder Thomas invites all to a 75th Anniversary Committee meeting this Sunday the 27th at 6:30 p.m. in City Hall.

Alder O'Connor reported the Mass Transit Commission mailed a brochure to all residents that included two free Express rides.

City Clerk Andrusz reported the February 19 Spring Primary has one office, Supreme Court Judge, under consideration. The Spring Election is on April 2. Mayor Miller thanks City Clerk Andrusz for purchasing "I Voted" stickers for Election Day distribution.

City Administrator Marsh reports the Spring/Summer Newsletter deadline is February 16. Receptionist Liz Nicholson is retiring after 10 years of service, and her last day is January 31. Interviews will be conducted next week with a hiring goal of mid-February.

Mayor Miller reported he received many compliments on the Public Works Department's response to the December snowstorm. There was a good job done on media notification of the snow emergency, as well as postings and website notices. However, he would like to improve resident contact using the cable channel, electronic media such as emails, etc. for future emergency notices.

APPOINTMENTS

A motion by Alder Thomas, seconded by Alder Busse to approve the following Appointments, was carried:

1. Thomas Stolper, Chair, Community Development Authority (effective immediately – May 2015)
2. To the Sustainability Committee:
 - a. Susan Vogt (effective immediately–May 2014)
 - b. Charlotte Condi (effective immediately–May 2014)
3. To the Facilities Committee:
 - a. Jim Beyer (effective immediately–May 2014)
 - b. Jim Dederich (effective immediately–May 2014)
 - c. Paul Ament (effective immediately–May 2015)
 - d. Dan Eklof (effective immediately–May 2015)
 - e. Jim Lampe (effective immediately–May 2016)
4. Sasha Gorman to the Committee on Family Attraction, Retention, and City Promotion (effective immediately–May 2014).
5. Election Inspectors:
 - a. Jean Van Dreel
 - b. Richard Van Dreel
 - c. Connie Dreger

ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Alder Holmquist, seconded by Alder O'Connor, to adjourn, was carried. (7:55 p.m.)

Joan Andrusz
City Clerk