

MONONA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
February 4, 2019

The regular meeting of the Monona City Council was called to order by Mayor O'Connor at 7:01 p.m.

Present: Mayor Mary K. O'Connor, Alderpersons Doug Wood, Andrew Kitslaar, Jennifer Kuhr, Molly Grupe, Nancy Moore, and Chad Speight via telephone.

Also Present: City Administrator Bryan Gadow, Parks & Recreation Director Jake Anderson, Public Works Director Dan Stephany, Project Coordinator Brad Bruun, Jon Lindert and Josh Straka from Strand Associates, Library Director Ryan Claringbole, and City Clerk Joan Andrusz

ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion by Alder Moore, seconded by Alder Grupe to approve the Minutes of the January 22, 2019 City Council meeting, was carried.

APPEARANCES

Peter McKeever, 6302 Southern Circle, appeared before the Council and spoke for informational purposes during the discussion of REACH 64 stormwater requirements.

PUBLIC HEARING

There was no Public Hearing.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion by Alder Wood, seconded by Alder Kitslaar to approve the following, was carried:

1. Approval of Application for 2018/2020 Operator License:
 - a. Harrison D. Vig, Independent
2. Approval of Applications for Temporary Operator Licenses:
 - a. Cheryl L. Kannam, Rockin' Chocolate Marathon
 - b. Jerry R. Kempfer, Rockin' Chocolate Marathon
 - c. Robin L. Kempfer, Rockin' Chocolate Marathon
 - d. Michael W. O'Brien, Lake Monona 20K Run

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Recreation Director Anderson reported there were no changes to the next three Resolutions since the previous meeting.

A motion by Alder Wood, seconded by Alder Grupe to approve Resolution 19-1-2318 Purchase Approval – Park Mower, was carried.

A motion by Alder Grupe, seconded by Alder Kitslaar to approve Resolution 19-1-2319 Approval of Frost Woods Park Management Plan, was carried.

Recreation Director Anderson reported he emailed the Clark family regarding tonight's meeting but they were unable to attend. However, they are in full support of the following Resolution.

A motion by Alder Kuhr, seconded by Alder Kitslaar to approve Resolution 19-1-2320 Acceptance of Donation for Winnequah Park Observation Deck, was carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Recreation Director Anderson provided information on Resolution 19-2-2321 Purchase Approval – Parks and Recreation Truck. This was approved in the 2019 Capital Budget and will be used by the new full-time staff member and by seasonal staff.

Recreation Director Anderson provided information on Resolution 19-2-2322 Allowing Beer Sales by Parks and Recreation Staff During Special Events in City Parks. This annual request was approved by the License Review Committee and the Parks & Recreation Board. The Pop Up Biergarten was going to travel to other parks, but it worked out so well at Schluter Park it will stay there. It will be used at different parks for the Food Cart Cinemas which has expanded to include theme nights. The four full-time Administration staff have all taken alcohol awareness training. There will be no beer sales at the concerts in Winnequah Park. Funds raised will help pay for the observation deck.

Public Works Director Stephany introduced the Presentation and Discussion of REACH 64 Stormwater Requirements – Strand Associates. This Capital Budget item has been worked on since 2017. Total suspended solids and phosphorus (sediments) must be reduced by 20% to be in compliance with EPA and DNR stormwater requirements. The goal is to reduce these by 27% to get into the Yahara WINS at a lower cost.

Mr. Lindert projected and reviewed a PowerPoint presentation and he and Mr. Straka provided information. REACH is a watershed area within the City. Areas REACH 65 and 66 are in compliance. Options were reviewed, including parkland loss. Strand Associates will do an analysis of Ordinances and other requirements. Leaf reduction will reduce these byproducts. The DNR hasn't determined a deadline for compliance but are tightening their requirements and want a plan and to see progress every 5 years, with completion in 20 to 30 years. Project Coordinator Bruun reported the current permit is from 2014.

Mr. Lindert and Mr. Straka stated their draft plan has to be finalized with minor changes expected. Pond location option were discussed; they are in the low parts of parks where stormwater collects. Costs were compared with and without grants. Alder Speight questioned which of Strand Associates' recommendations is best for stormwater retention and flooding impact reduction. Mr. Lindert responded that some have an infiltration component and all will store some water, but the focus is on clean-up. Small ponds are not effective in major floods. Project Coordinator Bruun questioned if the City waits on this project, would water quality improve in the Rock River Basin and reduce this requirement. Mr. Lindert responded it is possible but there isn't a lot of funding.

The Maywood Park plan could include a safety barrier that would probably be paid for within the included contingency funds. It may not be needed as it is low flowage. A map showing stormwater flowage from the City of Madison was reviewed; Monona is responsible for cleaning that up as well. Members agree they don't want to buy credits from other municipalities; they want to clean up Monona's issues. Members discussed a program to get businesses to divert stormwater by encouraging infiltration to keep it on their properties and out of the system. Mr. Lindert stated redevelopment standards try to

capture that. All plans are assuming all water is going to lakes. Project Coordinator Bruun stated regulation and oversight of a residential program would require extensive staff time. CARPC member Mr. McKeever reported there is already a residential incentive for porous driveways and other measures, like rain barrels and rain gardens.

Project Coordinator Bruun reported Maywood is the number one outfall of phosphorous in Dane County. Mr. Lindert reported every 5 years a foot of sediment would be dredged; this would build up if not maintained. That cost has to be considered. The Lagoon level was discussed. Alder Kuhr questioned whether the PCB level would increase if the Lagoon was expanded. Mr. Lindert and Mr. Straka responded more could be found, but the planned expansion is downstream from that area. Project Coordinator Bruun stated another benefit of work at Stone Bridge Park is the natural spring would run again. Mr. Lindert concluded by saying a leaf management program should be done this year and figures could be recalculated. This credit is being looked at for expansion.

A motion by Alder Wood, seconded by Alder Kuhr to Convene in Closed Session under Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85(1)(e), Deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session (REACH 64 Stormwater Requirements). On a roll call vote, all members voted in favor of the motion.

Upon reconvening in Open Session:

Mayor O'Connor provided information on Ordinance 2-19-714 Establishing No Parking on South Winnequah Road from March 15–November 15. The temporary no parking that was previously enacted ended in November. This is now being proposed for the main part of the year when use is higher, but not during the holidays. Since June she has received 6 letters in support of the ban and 6 against it. The Police Department ran traffic stop statistics and there were 25 citations and 45 warnings issued. The future 4-way stop will help; there will be a temporary ban for 2 years during construction. Public Works Director Stephany reported this Resolution will be considered by the Public Works Committee on February 6. The previous parking ban went well with few complaints. Other efforts were reviewed.

A motion by Alder Wood, seconded by Alder Kuhr to suspend the rules and take action on Resolution 19-2-2323 Purchase Approval of One Public Works Replacement Lawn Mower, was carried.

Public Works Director Stephany reported the low bid of the two received was chosen. The price includes a trade-in and is under-budget. It will be reviewed by the Public Works Committee on February 6.

A motion by Alder Wood, seconded by Alder Kuhr to approve Resolution 19-2-2323 Purchase Approval of One Public Works Replacement Lawn Mower subject to Public Works Committee approval, was carried.

Public Works Director Stephany provided information on Resolution 19-2-2324 Purchase Approval of One Current Model Year ½ Ton Pickup Truck. This was approved in the 2019 Capital Budget. It is through the State of Wisconsin cooperative purchasing program. The current truck will be passed down to the new right-of-way locator staff. The lowest priced vehicle with compressed natural gas (CNG) cost \$11,000 more so he went with a smaller V6 engine. The Public Works Committee will consider this on February 6.

Public Works Director Stephany provided information on Resolution 19-2-2325 Approval of a Cost Sharing Agreement Between the City of Madison and the City of Monona for the Reconstruction of

Atwood Avenue. The City Attorney reviewed and approved this. It will be reviewed by the Public Works Committee on February 6. The City of Madison will complete the design and Monona will be invoiced soon. This will be a cooperative project like Tompkins Drive.

REPORTS

Public Works Director Stephany reported on the Capital Budget Industrial Drive sanitary sewer interceptor project that is a joint project with the City of Madison. The I & I bids came back almost double the estimated cost so the project is on hold and the funds will be used elsewhere per the Finance Director. The City of Madison hopes to redesign and re-bid the project.

Library Director Claringbole reported the “Loud in the Library” event was great and raised \$11,000 for the vestibule and children’s room. The “One Voice One Community” project will be funded soon and he’s looking forward to recording interviews.

Alder Wood reported the next meeting will review Strand Associates’ engineering for the Pedestrian/Bicycle Committee project.

Alder Kitslaar reported the park system will be reviewed by the Parks & Recreation Board.

Alder Grupe reported the active shooter training provided at the Public Safety Committee meeting was very successful. The Transit Commission will finalize a brochure at its meeting next week.

City Clerk Andrusz reminded everyone that there is no Spring Primary on February 19. The City of Madison does have a primary election on that day, but not Monona.

City Administrator Gadow reported applications for the City Planner position were due last Friday. He will review and narrow down the 20 applications received.

Mayor O’Connor reported she still gets meeting packets but the County’s Lake Level Task Force meetings conflict with Council meetings so she is unable to attend. However, Tanya Buckingham is a member and will keep her up to date with flooding issues and other information. Madison Mayor Soglin is having Mayor/Village President meetings to discuss this every 5 to 6 weeks. She hopes to have some ideas to implement.

APPOINTMENTS

There were no Appointments.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Alder Wood, seconded by Alder Moore to adjourn, was carried. (9:30 p.m.)

Joan Andrusz
City Clerk