# MONONA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES March 4, 2019

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

Present: Council President Doug Wood, Alderpersons Nancy Moore, Chad Speight, Andrew

Kitslaar, Jennifer Kuhr, and Molly Grupe

Excused: Mayor Mary K. O'Connor

Also Present: City Administrator Bryan Gadow, Finance Director Marc Houtakker, Public Works

Director Dan Stephany, and City Clerk Joan Andrusz

# ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Alder Moore requested the following amendments:

Page 3, last paragraph, "Nuclear energy is not renewable emission free..."

Page 4, first paragraph, "...efforts for carbon reductions..."

Page 4, third paragraph, "Alder Moore agreed to move schools into the community bucket and..."

A motion by Alder Grupe, seconded by Alder Kitslaar to approve the Minutes of the February 18, 2019 City Council meeting as amended, was carried.

#### **APPEARANCES**

The following individuals registered in favor of the 100% Clean Energy Resolution:

Dan Costello, 5705 Cove Circle

Heather Gates, 207 West Dean Avenue

John Sumi, Madison Gas & Electric

Beth Esser, 6009 Ridgewood Avenue

Lisa Gundlach, 404 Midland Lane

Bernadette Caldwell, 5007 McKenna Road

The following individuals appeared before the Council and spoke in favor of the 100% Clean Energy Resolution:

Teresa Radermacher, 5201 McKenna Road
Don Ferber, 4700 Allis Avenue, Madison
Kristie Schilling, 4502 Gordon Avenue

Abby Attoun, 2017 Bristol Street, Middleton
Peter McKeever, 6302 Southern Circle
Mark Buffat, 4912 Wallace Avenue

The petition that was submitted at the last meeting was presented to Acting Mayor Wood with 19 additional signatures of individuals registering in favor of the 100% Clean Energy Resolution.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

There was no Public Hearing.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion by Alder Moore, seconded by Alder Speight to approve the following, was carried:

- 1. Approval of Application for 2018/2019 Operator License:
  - a. Jake R. Dorow, O'Connell's Liquor
- 2. Approval of Applications for 2018/2020 Operator Licenses:
  - a. Tonya A. Baumann, Breakwater
  - b. Lisa M. Putnam, Breakwater

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Alder Moore offered a substitute Resolution 19-2-2238 A Resolution to Address Climate Change Through 100 Percent Clean Energy and Resilience with amendments that include the typographical errors City Attorney William Cole and Alder Grupe found; definitions, including a new one; and a 7<sup>th</sup> "Whereas" section that now includes more accurate figures. Members spoke in favor of this action and commend the community and City Council for forcing action on this. Members stated that Alder Kuhr's previous comment regarding softening the language for future Councils was considered, but a strong statement and leadership by example was desired. Actions by this Council could be changed by any future Council but there is a demand for this action and work can be done locally.

Alder Moore reported costs are going down; a plan and specific projects will be brought to the Council for approval. The City is now 20% renewable; steps that could be taken now to increase that were outlined. MG&E can provide data on community-wide renewable energy use after tonight's action. Alder Kuhr stated she supports this Resolution but cautioned that planning efforts need to be mindful of the fact that more work is required from staff who are already stretched thin.

A motion by Alder Moore, seconded by Alder Speight to approve Substitute 19-2-2238 A Resolution to Address Climate Change Through 100 Percent Clean Energy and Resilience, was carried.

City Administrator Gadow reported the Four Lakes Yacht Club settlement and the Firefighters Local 311 contract have been approved, signed, and returned to the City with terms as stated before. Members agree there is no need to Convene in Closed Session under Wisconsin Statute section 19.85(1)(g) Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved (Four Lakes Yacht Club v. City of Monona, et al) and 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 (Firefighters Local 311 contract).

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Public Works Director Stephany provided information on Resolution 19-3-2329 Approval of a Cost Sharing Agreement Between the City of Madison and the City of Monona for the Reconstruction of Bridge Road. This will be reviewed by the Public Works Committee on March 6. It has been reviewed by the City Attorney and is similar to the Tompkins Drive and Atwood Avenue agreements. Costs will be

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adjusted based upon actual costs; bids received on Thursday were \$30,000 less than the engineer's estimates. He will confirm that materials removed will be recycled for re-use.

Public Works Director Stephany provided information on Resolution 19-3-2330 Approving a Proposal from MSA Professional Services for Design and Construction Administration Services for the Winnequah Road Bridge Replacement Project. This will be reviewed by the Public Works Committee on March 6. The 2019 Capital Budget includes \$19,000 for design services. Vierbicher Associates doesn't have staff with bridge expertise. MSA Professional Services has extensive experience and bid lower than Strand Associates. Gregg Borucki's positive history on Monona projects and the bridge's history and condition were reviewed. The City qualifies for a Dane County 50% reimbursable grant. The RFP states that one lane will be open at all times during construction.

City Administrator Gadow provided an Update/Discussion on Status of WI DNR Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Grant Application. He recently contacted the DNR to address the questions and objections they raised and has re-submitted the application addressing those questions. He will look into whether reducing the amount could avoid review. Alder Kuhr urged members to contact legislators because the Governor's budget renewed the stewardship for 2 years, not the usual 10 years.

A motion by Alder Kuhr, seconded by Alder Speight to suspend the rules and take action on Resolution 19-3-2332 Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of \$6,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2019A, was carried.

Finance Director Houtakker reported this authorizes Financial Consultant Jeff Belongia to start working with bond holders for 2019 Capital Budget borrowing. This includes TIF, water, stormwater, additional TIF, and the Four Lakes Yacht Club settlement. The settlement will come from the Fund Balance and then from the TIF.

A motion by Alder Speight, seconded by Alder Kuhr to approve Resolution 19-3-2332 Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of \$6,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2019A. On a roll call vote, all members voted in favor of the motion.

Acting Mayor Wood provided information on Resolution 19-3-2331 Proclaiming the Month of May as Historic Preservation and Archaeology Month. This is a federal and statewide event. A plaque will be installed on the Monona Mound on north Monona Drive. The dedication will be at the Library to provide enough room and safety for attendees. The plaque will be on display at the Library prior to the event.

A motion by Alder Grupe, seconded by Alder Kitslaar to suspend the rules and take action on Resolution 19-3-2333 A Resolution Approving the Terms of a Two-Year Contract with International Association of Firefighters Local 311, was carried.

A motion by Alder Moore, seconded by Alder Grupe to approve Resolution 19-3-2333 A Resolution Approving the Terms of a Two-Year Contract with International Association of Firefighters Local 311, was carried.

# **REPORTS**

Alder Moore thanks the community and Sustainability Committee for tonight's action. A resident survey, due in June, is up and running online and paper copies are available at City buildings.

City Clerk Andrusz announced the new electronic poll books, Badger Books, will be used at the April 2 Spring Election. They will be used for voter check-in, registrations, and absentee processing. Staff and

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Election Inspectors are being extensively trained, but she asked for voter's patience with this new equipment launch.

City Administrator Gadow reported a press release announcing tonight's 100% Clean Energy action will be out tomorrow. In-person Planner interviews will take place on Thursday with a mid-April start date. The public hearing on the sign code draft will be held at the Plan Commission meeting next Monday at 7:00 p.m.

Acting Mayor Wood welcomes new Police Officer Jesse Mashak. On March 10 at 2:00 p.m. Melanie Lichtfeld will perform as activist Belle Boyd at the Dean House.

# **APPOINTMENTS**

There were no Appointments.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion by Alder Kitslaar, seconded by Alder Grupe to adjourn, was carried. (8:07 p.m.)

Joan Andrusz City Clerk