

March 9, 2010

Common Council Minutes
Council Chambers, Public Safety Building

Mayor Jim Griffin presided at a Regular Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Stoughton, Dane County, Wisconsin, held in the Council Chambers, Public Safety Building, on Tuesday, March 9, 2010 convening at 7:00 p.m.

City Clerk Alme called the roll and the following Alderpersons were present: Carter, Chenoweth, Christianson, Jenson, Lawrence, McKichan, Olstad, Scovotti, Swangstu and Tone. The following Alderpersons were absent and excused: Odland and Weiss.

Communications: Joshua Gibson representing the KIDS group and Terry McCardle representing the Vote Yes for Quality Schools Committee gave presentations on the school district referendum questions that will be on the April 6, 2010 ballot. Alderperson Carter encouraged everyone to respond to the 2010 Census.

Public Comment Period: None.

Moved by Lawrence, seconded by Carter, to approve the following consent agenda items as presented: The minutes of the February 23, 2010 Common Council Meeting; the following reports: Hall of Fame Committee, Personnel Committee(3), Arts Council, Landmarks Commission, Finance Committee, MCCI, Committee of the Whole, Public Safety Committee, Technical Advisory Committee and Special Planning Commission; Public Safety Committee and Personnel Committee's recommendation to fill vacancies in the Fire Department in 2010 to keep the level of volunteers at 42; Public Safety Committee's recommendation to grant an Operator's License to Shane Chamberlain; Public Safety Committee's recommendation to deny a request for a stop sign at Melaas Circle where it intersects with Greig Trail; Approval of the Mayor's appointments to the Storm Water Utility Technical Advisory Committee (as amended from the 2-23-10 Council Meeting). Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.

Moved by Lawrence, seconded by Jenson, to approve the Mayor and Council President signing and submitting a letter to Dane County Executive Kathleen Falk and Dane County Board Chairman Scott McDonnell endorsing the Dane County Cities and Villages position regarding the DaneCom Radio Communications project. Motion carried unanimously on roll call.

Moved by Carter, seconded by Swangstu, to approve the Street Department purchase and installation of a 4x10 reflective piece of material at Cooper's Causeway, at a cost not to exceed \$500, with monies to come from contingency. Motion carried 9-1 on roll call with Alderperson Christianson voting no.

Moved by Tone, seconded by Lawrence, to approve the use of general fund surplus for 2010 RDA operating expenses of \$50,000 and an advance to TIF #5 of \$100,000.

Moved by Tone, seconded by Chenoweth, to divide the agenda item into two items. Motion carried 7-3 on roll call with Alderpersons Carter, McKichan and Swangstu voting noe.

Moved by Tone, seconded by Christianson, to approve the use of general fund surplus for the 2010 RDA operating expenses of \$50,000.

Moved by Tone, seconded by Olstad, to amend the motion to add "as an advance to be repaid by the RDA".

Moved by Scovotti, seconded by Jenson, to call the question. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.

Motion to amend the motion adding "as an advance to be repaid by the RDA" carried by acclamation with Alderpersons Carter & Lawrence voting noe.

Original motion, as amended, carried 9-1 on roll call with Alderperson Scovotti voting noe.

Mayor Griffin requested that staff provide a report to the Council regarding the 2009 RDA budget.

Moved by Tone, seconded by Carter, to approve the use of general fund surplus in the amount of \$100,000, as an advance to TIF #5. Motion carried unanimously on roll call.

Moved by Tone, seconded by Carter, to adopt a resolution of necessity regarding the acquisition of property located at 314 West Main Street, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call.

Moved by Tone, seconded by Lawrence, to approve the changes to the option to purchase for the property located at 623 Eighth Street, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call.

Moved by Tone, seconded by Lawrence, to approve the changes to the offer to purchase for the property located at 501 E. South Street. Motion carried 9-1 on roll call with Alderperson McKichan voting noe.

Alderperson McKichan placed an ordinance to rezone the property at 623 Eighth Street from H-1 Heavy Industrial to PD-GDP – Planned Development-General Development Plan, for a first reading.

Moved by Lawrence, seconded by Carter, to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.

Respectfully submitted,
Luann J. Alme
City Clerk/Personnel Director