

# November 10, 2009

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, November 10, 2009 convening at 7:00 p.m.

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

Moved by Lawrence, seconded by Chenoweth, to approve the Utilities claims, as recommended by the Utilities Committee, in the amount of \$1,628,117.80, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call.

Communications: Mayor Griffin thanked Council President Chenoweth for filling in for him at the last council meeting. Mayor Griffin thanked all those that participated in the Turkey Trot benefit for the Food Pantry, especially Sonny's Bar and Pack R Place for their sponsorship. Alderperson Tone thanked the Street Department for all their efforts in leaf pickup throughout the City. Leaf pickup is scheduled to end the week of Thanksgiving, but if weather holds it could be extended. Alderperson Swangstu advised the Council and viewers that channel 3 will have a special for Veterans Day at 6:45 a.m. Planning Director Scheel advised that there will be a special joint Planning Commission and Council public hearing to revisit the proposed zoning map and zoning code on December 7, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.

Public Comment Period: None.

Moved by Lawrence, seconded by Christianson, to approve the following consent agenda items as presented: The minutes of the October 27, 2009 Common Council Meeting; the following reports: Commission on Aging (2), Utilities Committee (2), Holiday Fund, Arts Council, Personnel Committee (3), Finance Committee, Committee of the Whole, Public Safety Committee, Community Affairs/Council Policy Committee, Mandt Community Center, Inc. and Stoughton Utilities Financial Summary and Statistical Information; Public Safety Committee's recommendation to grant a "Class A" Beer & Liquor License to Becco Inc., Bharya S. Sapinder, Agent; dba Plaza Liquor at 1056 W. Main Street and Planning Commission recommendation to approve a Certified Survey Map creating two lots at 556 and 578 East Main Street, submitted on behalf of Bill Buss. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.

Moved by Carter, seconded by Swangstu, to adopt an ordinance amending sections 64-5 sidewalk replacement and 64-6 new sidewalk, as presented. Motion carried 8-2 on roll call with Alderperson Lawrence abstaining and Alderpersons Tone and Weiss voting no.

Mayor Griffin closed the regular meeting and opened a public hearing regarding the proposed 2010 City of Stoughton operating budget. Finance Director Sullivan gave a presentation on the proposed 2010 City of Stoughton operating budget.

There being no appearances by the public, Mayor Griffin closed the public hearing and reopened the meeting for the regular course of business.

Moved by Tone, seconded by Olstad, to adopt a resolution adopting the 2010 City of Stoughton budget, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call.

Moved by Tone, seconded by Carter, to approve an amendment to the contract with Vierbicher Associates to amend Tax Incremental District #4 in the amount of \$3,500, with funds to come from TID #4, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call.

Moved by Lawrence, seconded by Chenoweth, to adopt the 2010 Stoughton Utilities budget and 20-year capital improvement plan, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call.

Moved by Tone, seconded by Carter, to adopt a resolution Declaring Redevelopment Area No. 2 a Blighted Area, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call.

Moved by Weiss, seconded by Scovotti, to approve the MATC Center for Human and Protective Services/EMS Clinical and Field Internship Contract, as presented. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.

Moved by Tone, seconded by Carter, to authorize the submission of the 2010 Taxi Grant, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call.

Moved by Tone, seconded by Christianson, to approve waiving the permit fees charged to the Fair Board for construction of a swine barn at Mandt Park. Motion carried 9-2 on roll call with Alderpersons Scovotti and Weiss voting no.

Moved by Christianson, seconded by Scovotti, to approve the City and Utilities non-represented employees salaries and benefits for 2010 with a 0% increase in salaries, four furlough days and health insurance changes consistent with represented employees, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call.

Moved by Christianson, seconded by Tone, to close the meeting per State Statute 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, at 7:55 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.

Moved by Christianson, seconded by Scovotti, to open the meeting at 8:30 p.m. for the regular course of business. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.

Moved by Carter, seconded by Scovotti, to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.

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