

December 8, 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, December 8, 2009 convening at 7:00 p.m.

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

Communications: Mayor Griffin reported the following: all non-emergency services for the City will be closed Wednesday, December 9, 2009 due to severe weather conditions; there will be a H1N1 flu clinic at EMS from 8 a.m. to Noon this Saturday; the Police Department has had a potential save of a 41 year old female; the new trash & recycling bins are starting to be delivered with instructions attached and they are not to be used before January 1st; thanked Stafford-Rosenbaum for their generous donation to the holiday fund. Alderperson Jenson thanked the Landmarks Commission for hosting a reception for Carl Sampson this past weekend. Alderperson Christianson reminded everyone that a snow emergency has been called.

Public Comment Period:

Moved by Lawrence, seconded by Weiss, to approve the following consent agenda items as presented: The minutes of the November 24, 2009 Common Council Meeting; the following reports: Housing Authority(4), Personnel Committee(2), Public Safety Committee; Planning Commission's recommendation to offer no objection to an extra-territorial request by Richard Hagen to remove.13 acres of land from the Dane County Wetland Overlay District at 991 County Highway N; Public Safety Committee's recommendation to grant a temporary (picnic) Class "B"/"Class B" retailers license for the Chamber of Commerce open house to be held on December 10, 2009; Approval of the appointment of election inspectors for the term of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2011. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.

Moved by Lawrence, seconded by Chenoweth, to adopt an ordinance to amend section 74-88 related to the requirement to connect to available public sewers, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call.

Moved by McKichan, seconded by Scovotti, to adopt an ordinance to amend section 30-5 and 30-44 regarding floodplain zoning, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call.

Moved by Weiss, seconded by McKichan, to adopt a Resolution Adopting the City of Stoughton Annex to the Dane County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, as presented. Motion carried unanimously on roll call.

Moved by Tone, seconded by Christianson, to approve the Amundson Park Landfill Restrictive Covenants as proposed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency, with legal review to include confirmation of the legal description and acquiring a satisfactory title commitment of the property being completed. Motion carried 7-5 on roll call with Alderpersons Carter, Lawrence, McKichan, Olstad and Scovotti voting noe.

Moved by Tone, seconded by Carter, to accept an architectural services agreement with Strang Associates for the EMS building renovation in an amount not to exceed \$76,920, with funds to come from the EMS enterprise fund and review by the City Attorney.

Moved by Jenson, seconded by Tone, to call the question. Motion failed by voice vote.

Moved by Chenoweth, seconded by Weiss, to amend the motion to include only the design phase in an amount not to exceed \$23,070.

Moved by Chenoweth, seconded by Jenson, to call the question on the amended motion. Motion carried by acclamation.

Amended motion failed 2-10 on roll call with Alderpersons Carter, Christianson, Jenson, Lawrence, McKichan, Odland, Olstad, Scovotti, Swangstu and Tone voting noe.

Moved by Chenoweth, seconded by Scovotti, to call the question on the original motion. Motion carried by acclamation.

Original motion to accept an architectural services contract agreement with Strang Associates failed 5-7 on roll call with Alderpersons Chenoweth, Lawrence, McKichan, Olstad, Scovotti, Swangstu and Tone voting noe.

Moved by Tone, seconded by Scovotti, to approve staff's recommendation regarding the janitorial services contracts for City buildings with Clarity Cleaners being awarded the Senior Center Public Safety Building, EMS, Food Pantry and Youth Center and Aztland Cleaners being awarded the City Hall and Opera House, to begin January 1, 2010. Motion carried 10-1 on roll call with Alderperson Christianson abstaining and Alderperson Jenson voting noe.

Moved by Chenoweth, seconded by Tone, to approve a draft request for proposal for storm water utility consulting services as presented by staff. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.

Moved by Christianson, seconded by Jenson, 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 8:35 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.

Moved by Chenoweth, seconded by Scovotti, to open the meeting at 9:20 p.m. for the regular course of business. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.

Mayor Griffin reported that there will be a regular common council meeting on December 22, 2009.

Moved by Lawrence, seconded by Jenson, to adjourn the meeting at 9:21 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.

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