

## CLAIMS COMMITTEE MINUTES

Feb. 3, 2015

### **A. Call to Order and Roll C all**

Chairperson Armstrong called the meeting to order.

Present at roll call were Alderpersons Armstrong, Boyce, Beer, and Alt. Thoman. Also present were City Atty. Ewald, and other staff & alderpersons.

### **B. Correction of Minutes**

None

### **C. Business: Open**

#### **1. Act on Claim of Excessive Assessment from Dave Deininger on Behalf of Emilie 's House, LLC**

City Clerk Stamm explained. Dave Deininger purchased the subject property on Feb. 28, 2014. The name of the property owner was not updated prior to the assessment notices being mailed on April 30, 2014. There is lag time. The information had not come through from the county.

City Atty. Ewald commented that if this had gone through the Board of Review, he would have advised the board to lower the assessment. However, Wis. Stat. 70.10 requires the assessor to assess all real and personal property as of the close of January 1 of each year. It follows that the person holding title on January 1 is the "person assessed" to whom Wis. Stat. 70.365 requires that the notice of changed assessment be sent. Ewald said he is very concerned about setting a precedent if the city accepts this. He recommends on a procedural basis to deny this claim. Alder Boyce asked for an explanation of the claim. Dave Deininger explained his viewpoint. Questions and discussion ensued. City Clerk Stamm clarified that the changed assessment was based on sales of similar properties. City Atty Ewald said the city followed the law.

Motion to deny the claim made by Alder Beer and seconded by Alder Armstrong. Motion carried.

### **D. Business by Members**

None

### **E. Adjournment**

Motion was made to adjourn by Alderperson Beer and seconded by Alderperson Boyce. Motion carried.

Carol J. Stamm, CMC, WCMC  
City Clerk