City of Monroe
Common Council Minutes
February 7, 2017

A. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor Armstrong called the meeting to order. Present at roll call were Mayor Armstrong, and Alderpersons Miller, Bauman, Boyce, Koch, Marsh, and Thoman. Alderperson Newcomer was in attendance by speaker phone. Alderpersons Beer and Stangel were absent.

B. CITY HALL FLOORING PROJECT (FAILED INSTALLATION)

1. BUSINESS: OPEN

a. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION

Admin. Rath explained. He had a phone conference with KPH. KPH requested to submit another change order. The change order is to install an epoxy system in the amount of $49,999. This is the same system as proposed last time, but they are now absorbing some of the cost. Questions and discussion took place.

2. BUSINESS: CLOSED

Mayor Armstrong read the purpose of the closed meeting under Wis. Stats. 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 and under Wis. Stats. 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 along with the following agenda item.

a. NEGOTIATION STRATEGY AND ADVICE FROM CITY ATTORNEY

Motion to close the meeting made by Alderperson Marsh and seconded by Alderperson Koch. Motion carried unanimously as announced by Mayor Armstrong. Others left the meeting at this time.

Questions and discussion ensued.

Motion made by Alderperson Bauman and seconded by Alderperson Miller to re-open the meeting. Motion carried.

3. BUSINESS: OPEN

a. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Motion made by Alderperson Koch to accept the change order for $49,999. Alderperson Miller seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. On roll call vote, the motion failed. (4 no votes from Boyce, Newcomer, Marsh, Thoman) (3 aye votes from Miller, Bauman, Koch)

Alderperson Newcomer left the meeting at this time.

More questions and discussion ensued.

It was the general consensus of the Council to declare a default.

C. CORRECTION OF MINUTES
none

D. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS
none

E. BUSINESS BY MAYOR

1. APPOINT BRADEN RINDY TO FULFILL THE UENXPIRED TERM OF SHERI SCHAEFER ON THE BOARD OF PARK & RECREATION COMMISSIONERS TO END ON APRIL 17, 2017
Mayor Armstrong made the appointment. Motion to confirm the appointment made by Alderperson Boyce and seconded by Alderperson Marsh. Motion carried.

2. CONTINUING DISCUSSION ON FEASIBILITY AND CREATION OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY WITH POSSIBLE ACTION ON DIRECTION
Dan Lindstrom from Vierbicher presented information. Questions and discussion ensued. Concerns were expressed regarding staffing needs and expense. The next step would be to look into affordability issues and to work with the City Attorney to classify assets of the Housing Authority and the Redevelopment Authority and create a storyboard/timeline. Alderperson Boyce motioned to (GO) move to the next step with this. Alderperson Bauman seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion carried. The Housing Stock Improvement Program and a Revolving Loan Fund program were brought up by the representative of Vierbicher. Mayor Armstrong said this will be put on a future agenda.

F. APPEARANCES BY THE PUBLIC
none

G. CONSENT AGENDA

1. RESOLUTION GRANTING MISCELLANEOUS LICENSES
2. APPROVE CLAIMS AS PRESENTED ON CLAIMS LIST ($496,867.06)
Motion to approve made by Alderperson Boyce and seconded by Alderperson Miller. Admin. Rath explained that the KPH bill should not be approved. Motion made by Alderperson Boyce and seconded by Alderperson Marsh to amend the motion to rescind the KPH bill approval. On roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

H. JUDICIARY & ORDINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

1. ORDINANCE REPEALING AND RECREATING SECTIONS 1-5-8(D)(2), 1-11-3, 5-19-6(A)(3) AND 9-2-25(A) OF THE MONROE CITY CODE: REMOVING ALDERMANIC DISTRICTS REFERENCES
Motion to adopt made by Alderperson Boyce and seconded by Alderperson Bauman. On roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

2. ORDINANCE REPEALING AND RECREATING SMOKEY ROW SUB-DISTRICT DEFINITION IN 5-2-1 OF THE MONROE CITY CODE
Alderperson Boyce presented for the first time. A public hearing date was set for March 7, 2017.

3. ORDINANCE REPEALING AND RECREATING ANIMALS IN PUBLIC PLACES IN 9-2-13 OF THE MONROE CITY CODE

4. ORDINANCE REPEALING AND RECREATING TAXICAB DEFINITION IN 3-8-2 OF THE MONROE CITY CODE
5. ORDINANCE REPEALING AND RECREATING VARIOUS PORTIONS OF TITLE 2, CHAPTERS 1,8,9,10, 11, AND 12 OF THE MONROE CITY CODE: COMPOSTION OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS, FINANCE AND TAXATION, PUBLIC SAFETY, JUDICARY AND ORDINANCE, LICENSE, AND SALARY AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEES
   Alderperson Boyce presented the ordinances as outlined in agenda items H3, H4, and H5 all together for the first time. Public hearing dates were set for Feb. 22, 2017.

I. FINANCE AND TAXATION COMMITTEE
1. INITIAL RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $5,185,000 FOR STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS
   Motion made by Alderperson Boyce and seconded by Alderperson Thoman to approve. Questions and discussion ensued. On roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

J. LICENSE COMMITTEE
1. RESOLUTION GRANTING "CLASS B" LIQUOR AND FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE TO NORTHSIDE PUB & GRILL LLC
   Motion to approve made by Alderperson Thoman and seconded by Alderperson Miller. Motion carried.

K. BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
1. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BIDS AND AWARDING CONTRACT FOR TWINING SOUTH SHELTER PROJECT
   Motion to approve made by Alderperson Koch and seconded by Alderperson Marsh. Questions and discussion took place. On roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

2. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BIDS AND AWARDING CONTRACT FOR 8TH STREET IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT
   Motion to approve made by Alderperson Koch and seconded by Alderperson Thoman. On roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

3. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING HIRING FEHR GRAHAM AND ASSOCIATES FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES IN CONJUNCTION WITH 8TH STREET PROJECT
   Motion to approve made by Alderperson Koch and seconded by Alderperson Thoman. On roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

L. AIRPORT BOARD OF MANAGEMENT
1. RECOMMENDATION FROM AIRPORT BOARD OF MANAGEMENT TO OFFER FINANCING OF LOW INTEREST LOANS FOR HANGAR CONSTRUCTION
   Alderperson Miller explained and handed out a draft brochure. Alderperson Marsh also added comments. The benefits of adding more hangars is increased revenue in the form of fuel sales, personal property tax, lease fees, and interest on the loans. The interest rates could be personalized for each loan. Discussion ensued. Alder Marsh said they are just looking for approval of the concept and that the money can come from the surplus in the general fund. More questions and discussion took place. It was the general consensus to move this to the Finance Committee.

M. COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

1. RESOLUTION APPROVING OFFER TO PURCHASE FOR VACATED EMS BUILDING
   Motion made by Alderperson Koch and seconded by Alderperson Marsh to approve. On roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

2. RESOLUTION SETTING COMPENSATION FOR FIRE CHIEF
   Motion made by Alderperson Koch and seconded by Alderperson Boyce to approve. Alderperson Bauman expressed concerns about the salary. On roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

N. BUSINESS BY ALDERPERSONS

none

O. BUSINESS PRESENTED BY DEPARTMENT HEADS

Director of Finance Schuchart said the audit may be delayed because the audit materials are still in storage on a trailer.

Admin. Rath made comments about the new video camera.

P. BUSINESS PRESENTED BY THE PRESS

none

Q. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Alderperson Miller and seconded by Alderperson Thoman. Motion carried.

Carol J. Stamm, CMC/WCMC
City Clerk/Director of General Government