

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

September 29, 2014

A. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Chairperson Boyce called the meeting to order. Members present at roll call were Alderpersons Boyce, Koch, Thoman, and Alt. Beer. Others present were Mayor Ross, Administrator Rath, Assistant Administrator Shanks, City Attorney Ewald, Peter Raskovic, and Tere Dunlap from the Monroe Times.

B. CORRECTION OF MINUTES

None

C. BUSINESS: CLOSED

Chairperson Boyce read the purpose of the closed meeting, *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 subject matter.*

1. Discuss City's Bargaining Position Concerning the Sale of a 2.0 Acre Parcel of Real Estate in the North Business & Industry Park to Peter Raskovic

Motion made by Alder Thoman to close the meeting. Alder Koch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The committee moved to the Conference Room to continue the meeting in closed session.

Pam Christopher from the Monroe Chamber, who requested this item be put on the agenda, was not present to explain. City Attorney Ewald explained what he knew about this subject. Chairperson Boyce had a letter of recommendation that was handed to him just before the meeting, which he passed around to members to read. Questions and discussion took place. Motion made by Alder Koch with a second from Alder Thoman to open the meeting. Motion carried.

The committee returned to the Council Chambers to continue the meeting in open session.

D. BUSINESS: OPEN

Peter Raskovic was present to explain. He would like to purchase a 2.0 acre parcel in the North Business & Industry Park to open a full service auto and light truck repair business. He would also be doing research and development of ethanol (E98) fueled racing engines for oval track stock cars. Chairperson Boyce stated the committee's concern that this would be more of a hobby than a business. Peter Raskovic said that this would be a full service auto and light truck repair business. He is an ASC Certified Master Technician and has worked with Indy Car driver A. J. Foight, has been an Automotive Technician Instructor, and has started several Master

Certification programs. He was originally looking at another property, when this parcel was brought to his attention. He felt this property would be more suited to his needs and with better accessibility for deliveries, etc. Questions and discussion took place. Alder Thoman moved to recommend approving the sale, and to give Admin. Rath and City Attorney Ewald authority to finalize the agreement. Alder Koch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

E. BUSINESS BY MEMBERS

None

F. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Alder Thoman to adjourn; seconded by Alder Koch. Motion carried.

Ellen K. Miller, Deputy Clerk