

City of Monroe
Common Council Minutes
November 1, 2016

A. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

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

B. CORRECTION OF MINUTES

Not available

C. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

None

D. BUSINESS BY MAYOR

1. MSP REAL ESTATE PRESENTATION ON PROJECT PROPOSAL FOR DOWNTOWN PARKING RAMP PROPERTY

Representatives of MSP gave a presentation. Whether or not to hold a public hearing on this matter was discussed. City Attorney Bartholf said that it is up to the Council. The public was allowed to make comments about the project proposal. Those speaking were Craig Patchin, Dave Gombosi, Chris Soukup, and Bob Duxstad. They brought up concerns about parking, competition, and the assessment being done using the income approach and if the project could repay the TID. Questions and discussion ensued. No action was taken.

E. APPEARANCES BY THE PUBLIC

none

F. CONSENT AGENDA

1. RESOLUTION GRANTING MISCELLANEOUS LICENSES

2. APPROVE CLAIMS AS PRESENTED ON CLAIMS LIST (\$330,229.27)

Motion to approve the consent agenda made by Alderperson Beer and seconded by Alderperson Stangel. On roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

G. LICENSE COMMITTEE

1. RESOLUTION GRANTING CLASS "B" FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE TO MONROE BLUELINE CLUB IN CONJUNCTION WITH MONROE BLUES HOCKEY GAMES

Motion to approve made by Alderperson Thoman and seconded by Alderperson Beer. Motion carried.

2. RESOLUTION GRANTING TEMPORARY "CLASS B" WINE LICENSE TO MAIN STREET MONROE IN CONJUNCTION WITH WINE WALK AT MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

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

H. BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

1. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BIDS AND AWARDING CONTRACT FOR PARKING RAMP PROJECT

Aldersperson Koch presented the resolution. Motion made by Aldersperson Boyce and seconded by Aldersperson Thoman to approve. Questions and discussion took place. Concerns were expressed about this being left as an unpaved lot. Aldersperson Armstrong said the proposal is for a paved lot. Admin. Rath said that this does not mean that it will remain as a surface lot for the next 30 years. More discussion ensued. Admin. Rath said that the Council could delay action on awarding the contract tonight. Motion made by Aldersperson Koch and seconded by Aldersperson Beer to delay action until the first meeting in December. Alder Beer withdrew the second. Alder Koch then amended his motion to move this to the next Council meeting. Aldersperson Beer seconded this motion. More discussion again took place. Mayor Armstrong asked Administrator Rath to come back with more information at the next Council meeting. On roll call vote, the motion to move this to the next Council meeting carried with 5 aye votes (Miller, Koch, Beer, Stangel, and Thoman) and 3 no votes (Boyce, Newcomer, and Marsh).

I. BUSINESS PRESENTED BY ALDERPERSONS

none

J. BUSINESS PRESENTED BY DEPARTMENT HEADS

1. PARKING RAMP DEMOLITION – TIMELINE OF PROJECT EVENTS

No discussion took place on this.

Police Chief Kelley commented that per city ordinance, any parking lot with more than 5 spaces must be paved within a year.

K. BUSINESS PESENTED BY THE PRESS

none

L. BUSINESS: CLOSED

Mayor Armstrong read the purpose of the closed meeting under Wis. Stats. (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 two agenda items.

1. HEAR AND DISCUSS STRATEGY FOR LITIGATION REGARDING RAZE ORDER FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1106 19TH STREET AND POTENTIALLY AUTHORIZE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO TAKE ACTION CONSISTENT WITH SUCH STRATEGY

Motion to close the meeting made by Aldersperson Beer and seconded by Aldersperson Koch. The motion carried unanimously as announced by Mayor Armstrong.

Others left the meeting at this time. Admin. Rath, Asst. Admin. Shanks, and Police Chief Kelley remained.

City Attorney Bartholf explained. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

2. HEAR AND DISCUSS STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING NEGOTIATION STRATEGIES RELATED TO THE CITY'S ACQUISITION OF THE SOON TO BE VACATED BUILDING FOR GREEN COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE

Administrator Rath explained. Questions and discussion took place. [REDACTED]

M. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Alderperson Koch and seconded by Alderperson Beer. Motion carried.

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