CITY OF WATERLOO COMMON COUNCIL <u>MEETING MINUTES</u>: February 2, 2017

- CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL. Mayor Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Alderpersons present: Ziaja, Quimby, Springer, Griffin, Thomas, Stinnett and Petts. Absent: none. Others present: Diane Graff, the Courier; Interim Police Chief Lange; WLOO videographers; Robert Dehring; Gary Yerges; Barry Sorenson and Clerk/Treasurer Hansen. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 2. MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL: January 19, 2017. MOTION: Moved by Quimby, seconded by Thomas to approve the minutes as presented. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT. Waukesha County Court Commissioner Robert Dehring introduced himself to attendees as the newly appointed Jefferson County Circuit Court Judge succeeding retiring Jefferson County Circuit Court Judge David J. Wambach.
- 4. NOTICE OF PUBLISHED NOTICES
 - a. Advertisement For Bids, Porter Street and Utility Improvements. Noted.
 - b. Voting By Absentee Ballot For February 21, 2017 Primary Election. Noted.
- 5. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS
 - a. Finance, Insurance & Personnel Committee
 - i. Promoting Department Of Public Works Employee Chris Hauptli To The Position Of DPW 3, Having Successfully Completed The Required Probationary Period. MOTION: Moved by Springer, seconded by Griffin to promote Chris Hauptli to the position of DPW 3. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Ziaja, Quimby, Springer, Griffin, Thomas, Stinnett and Petts. Noes: None. Motion carried.
 - ii. Resolution #2017-03 Amending The 2016 Municipal Budget. MOTION: Moved by Springer, seconded by Quimby to approve the resolution as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Ziaja, Quimby, Springer, Griffin, Thomas, Stinnett and Petts. Noes: None. Motion carried.
 - iii. Resolution #2017-04 Approval Of 2016 Fiscal Year Assignments. MOTION: Moved by Springer, seconded by Quimby to approve the resolution as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Ziaja, Quimby, Springer, Griffin, Thomas, Stinnett and Petts. Noes: None. Motion carried.
- 6. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Claim For Excessive Assessment For Monroe Street Apartments LLC, Parcel Number 290-0813-0644-026. NOTE: The Council convened to closed session per Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(g) "conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advise concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation which it is or is likely to be involved." The Mayor indicated he would brief the Council on legal advice received. MOTION: Moved by Thomas, seconded by Griffin to convene in closed session. NOTE: As legal counsel information was very limited, the closed session minutes are presented here as part of the open record. DISCUSSION: Thompson stating the property owner at 217 North Monroe Street had filed a claim of excessive assessment stating that it had not received proper notice of the 2016 Board of Review meeting date and that the assessed value was too high. Thompson said no claimant information as to what it deemed as an accurate assessment was submitted documents stating and supporting a value it deemed as accurate. MOTION: Moved by Thomas, seconded by Griffin to adjourn the closed session. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried. NOTE: The body reconvened in open session.
- 7. ADJOURNMENT. MOTION: Moved by Springer, seconded by Quimby to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Approximate time: 7:15 pm.

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