CITY OF WATERLOO COMMON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES: November 15, 2018

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PUBLIC HEARING ON RECOMMENDED 2019 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

- 1. CALL PUBLIC HEARING TO ORDER. Mayor Thompson called the public hearing to order at 7:00 p.m. Alderpersons present: Osborn, Quimby, Springer, Griffin, Thomas, Stinnett and Petts. Absent: none. Others present: Tammy Krueger, Watertown Daily Times; Diane Graff, the Courier; Police Chief Sorenson; Waterloo Utilities Superintendent Sorenson; WLOO videographers; Raynelle Butzine; Marilyn Connell; Russel Peloquia; Angela Byers-Krantz; Art Biermeier; Beverly Grenawalt; Christine Schaefer; Mary Lynn Schaefer; Beret Adams; David Haeuser; Dale Van Holten; Ruth Haeuser; Monica Root; Margaret Sier; Stephanie McCaw; Marian Biermeier; Kristen Klein; Andrew Lewandowski; Debbie Dorn; Michelle Bostwick; Lee Fiedorowicz; Paula Jacob; Kelli Mountford; Fran Gartner; Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Kawula and Clerk/Treasurer Hansen. The pledge of allegiance was recited.
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED 2019 MUNICIPAL BUDGET (Resolution # 2018-42). The following individuals spoke in opposition to a municipal library funding reduction. Angela Biers-Krantz said a library reduction was foolish as libraries serve as the great equalizers teaching children responsibility. Marilyn Connell presented a handout; listed library events and library services saying the library was the glue of the community. Library Board member and Junginger Foundation Board member Lee Fiedorowicz said Karl Junginger didn't want the library to be a community burden. He said cuts were a dirty shame adding residential development should be a priority. Andrew Lewandowski said a budget at its core is more than revenues and expenditures. He suggested ways to draw people to the community. He questioned a proposal for \$25,000 for economic development services. He outlined attributes young families look for in small communities. Kelli Mountford shared 2017 library statistics and said a foundation revenue source was also being reduced \$8,000. She asked why all departments are not being treated similarly? She asked why additional borrowing could not take place?

Alder Bill Springer asked Mountford if Library staff would give up a 2% pay increase to partially alleviate the funding reduction, Mountford responded no.

Lewandowski asked how much lobbying of state officials takes place. The Mayor replied saying concerns fall on deaf ears. Lewandowski encouraged citizen engagement to generate ideas. Thomas said Lewandowski was a member of the Community Development Authority and that it was doing just that. Ron Griffin said residential lots are less expensive in Marshall than in Waterloo. Quimby said government cannot require private developers to lower prices. She said a public bidding process for a municipally owned residential parcel generated only two bids with her husband's bid being the high bid. Lewandowski suggested hiring a grant writer.

3. ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING. Without objection, Mayor Thompson closed the public hearing at 7:50 pm.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

- 1. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL. Mayor Thompson called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 7:55 p.m. Alderpersons present: Osborn, Quimby, Springer, Griffin, Thomas Stinnett and Petts. Absent: none. Others present: See above. [Note: an undetermined number or citizens participating in the public hearing did depart prior to the regularly scheduled meeting.] The pledge of allegiance was recited.
- MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL: October 4, 2018 Closed Session; November 1, 2018 Open & Closed Sessions. MOTION: Motion by Springer, seconded by Quimby to approve the November 1, 2018 open session meeting minutes. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
- 3. CITIZEN INPUT / PUBLIC COMMENT. None.
- 4. PUBLISHED PUBLIC NOTICES (a) Municipal Spring Elections; (b) Public Hearing For Conditional Use To Allow For The Construction Of A Garage And Retaining The Existing Garage, 447 Polk Street; (c) Courtesy Notice To Neighbors Of Firemen's Park, Proposed Firemen's Park Cell Tower Ground Lease. Noted.
- 5. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS. MOTION: Moved by Thomas, seconded by Griffin to approve the consent agenda. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
 - a. October Reports Of City Officials And Contract Service Providers

- i. Parks Coordinator
- ii. Fire & EMS
- iii. Building Inspection Building, Plumbing, & Electrical Permits
- iv. Public Works
- v. Police
- vi. Karl Junginger Memorial Library
- vii. Waterloo Water & Light Commission Minutes
- viii. Watertown Humane Society

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS

- a. Finance, Insurance & Personnel Committee
 - General Disbursements, October 2018 \$1,014,742.51. MOTION: Moved by Springer, seconded by Quimby to approve general disbursements. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Osborn, Quimby, Springer, Griffin, Thomas, Stinnett and Petts. Motion carried.
 - ii. Payroll, October 2018 \$66,764.86. MOTION: Moved by Springer, seconded by Quimby to approve payroll. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Osborn, Quimby, Springer, Griffin, Thomas, Stinnett and Petts. Motion carried.
 - iii. Treasurer's Report & Budget Reports, October 2018. MOTION: Moved by Springer, seconded by Quimby to approve the reports. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
 - iv. Resolution # 2018-42 Adopting An Annual Budget And Appropriating The Necessary Funds For The Operation Of The City Of Waterloo, Wisconsin, For The Year 2019. MOTION: Moved by Springer, seconded by Quimby to approve the resolution as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Osborn, Quimby, Springer, Griffin, Thomas and Petts. Noes: Stinnett. Motion carried.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Resolution #2018-41 Entering Into A Land Lease Agreement Allowing For The Installation Of A Telecommunications Tower In Firemen's Park With Recurring Lease Revenue Benefiting The Parks Department. MOTION: Moved by Petts, seconded by Thomas to table the matter until the next meeting. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Winter On-Street Parking Permit Applications Per Municipal Code 350-7(G)
 - 325 ½ East Madison Street, Mary A Hendrix. No action taken. Hansen said Hendrix had withdrawn the application.
 - ii. 358 Jefferson Street, Sara Schneider. MOTION: Moved by Quimby, seconded by Griffin to approve the permit. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Osborn, Quimby, Griffin, Stinnett and Petts. Noes: Springer and Thomas. Motion carried.
- 9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS. #Thomas reminded the public of on-street parking prohibitions. Stinnett invited all to attend the December 8th Holiday Parade.
- 10. ADJOURNMENT. Moved by Springer, seconded by Quimby. Motion carried. Approximate time: 8:20 p.m.

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Mo Hansen, Clerk/Treasurer