

Minutes of the Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Chetek held on Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, 220 Stout Street, Chetek, WI

Meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m. by Mike Linton, mayor.

Council members present: Mike Linton, Cliff Bronstad, Bill Waite, Mark Edwards, Shirley Morley
Also present: clerk/treasurer, Carmen Newman, public works director, Dan Knapp, Building/zoning administrator, Joe Atwood, Ron Ambrozaitis, police officer

Agenda approval: motion to approve by Bronstad, 2nd by Edwards. Carried.

Consent agenda: Bronstad motioned to approve – 2nd by Morley: November council minutes, November claims, appointment of Wendy Sorum to Economic Development committee, Temporary Class “B” license for Chamber of Commerce Winter Fest, board/committee minutes: November Community Center, October Housing Authority, November Knapp Haven/Pelican Place, November Library, October Planning commission. Carried.

Old business/updates: Edwards motioned to accept bid on city owned parcel described as plat 1-2 the s 16 rds of n 48 rds of e 10 rds of ne-ne – town of Prairie Lake in the amount of \$100.00 plus any additional cost for advertisement and title transfer – 2nd by Bronstad. Carried.

Bronstad motioned to postpone until January, 2015 the discussion and/or approval on hangar lease agreements. 2nd by Waite. Carried.

Requests: Town of Prairie Lake board requested the City of Chetek to establish a “fee for use” to allow non-city residents to utilize the compost site located in the city limits. Dan Knapp explained that opening up the compost site to more than city residents may require permitting by DNR due to the increased size. The site has been manageable with its current size/usage. Increasing usage would create more city labor and cost. At the current time we do not require permitting. Motion by Waite, 2nd by Bronstad to keep the site open for only city residents at this time. carried. Bronstad motioned to approve one-way traffic on Lakeview Drive from Wisconsin Avenue to City Park Drive during winter fest – 2nd by Edwards. Carried.

Financial: Personnel committee approved a 1% increase for city employees across the board (except Library as the library board approves their wages). Motion to approve by Bronstad - 2nd by Waite. Carried. Bronstad motioned to approve a \$40.00 Holiday gift to all regular city employees – 2nd by Edwards. Carried. Bronstad motioned to increase payment for cleaning city hall and city shop by 1% - 2nd by Morley. Carried.

Resolution 2014-21 – adjusting 2014 budget to cover overages in legal fees, police computer, and squad maintenance – motion to approve by Bronstad – 2nd by Edwards. Carried.

Resolution 2014-22 – amending 2015 budgeted expenditures – decreasing by \$300.00 to qualify for 2016 expenditure restraint payment. Motion to approve by Edwards – 2nd by Waite. Carried.

Resolution 2014-23 – increasing municipal judge wages by \$100.00 in 2015 – motion to approve by Bronstad, 2nd by Edwards. Carried.

Resolution 2014-24 – appropriating reimbursement of \$3,804.00 for police wages to the 2014 budget. Motion to approve by Waite, 2nd by Bronstad. Carried.

Miscellaneous: Christmas decorations were discussed. Dan Knapp explained that of the approximately 32 light poles that have decorations on them, only about 17 of them have the equipment to plug into. There would be a considerable cost to purchase the parts and hire an electrician to update the light poles. He has contacted Xcel Energy regarding this matter. The ornaments that are put up are checked prior to hanging them but some of the bulbs may not work once they are plugged in due to disturbance from hauling/handling them. Bronstad motioned to table this matter until January meeting so estimates on the cost may be available – 2nd by Waite. Carried.

Closed session – motion to go into closed session under Wisconsin Statute 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.

And Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(c) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; reconvene and act on closed session items, if any.

Motion to go into closed session – Bronstad – 2nd by Edwards. Carried.

Motion to go into open session – Waite – 2nd by Bronstad. Carried.

Janice Peterson submitted her resignation as Community Center Director, effective immediately. Waite motioned to accept the resignation and hire Chris Fritz as interim community center director until position is filled. 2nd by Edwards. Carried.

Carmen Newman, clerk/treasurer