

Minutes of the Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Chetek Held on **Tuesday, May 11, 2010 at 7:00** p.m. in the Council Chamber – 220 Stout, Chetek, WI

Mayor Dianne Knowlton presiding.

Meeting was called to order. Roll call was taken. Present – Cliff Bronstad, Bill Waite, Mike Linton, Dennis Morley,

Also in attendance: John Kennelly, Dan Knapp, Joe Atwood, Doug & Sherri Nelson, Kathy Davis, Mark Petersen, Ray Parr, Ron Ambrozaitis, Shawn Larson, Jessica Mazel, Jim Hamilton, Clark Breed, Sheryl Claflin, Gary Gaw, Lucille Heughina.

Motion made by Bronstad, seconded by Linton to approve the consent Agenda items – April claims, April 13 council minutes, April Minutes/Reports: April-Airport minutes, April Board of Review hearing minutes, April Building/zoning report, May Community Center minutes, April Planning commission hearing minutes & meeting minutes, March 3rd & March 13th Police commission minutes, April Street Committee minutes. Motion carried.

Recognition was given to Douglas Nelson for serving 23 years of full-time service as a police officer for the City of Chetek. Chief of Police, Mark Petersen, gave a speech in honor of Doug and presented Doug with his gun and badge. Doug's official retirement date was 3-13-2010.

Motion by Bronstad, seconded by Waite to approve Resolution for outdoor recreation aids for property acquisition and Resolution for property development through the DNR stewardship grant for the proposed improvements to the downtown Main Street Park. Motion carried.

Motion by Bronstad, second by Linton to approve a mutual aid agreement for the purpose of assisting nearby communities on water and sewer utility operations. Motion carried.

Council discussed whether or not to continue renting the house at 1522 Dallas street and whether to invest money in the roof and new windows. Alderperson, Cliff Bronstad gave an estimate of \$8,200 to reshingle the roof and replace the single pane windows. The City continues to incur expense from unpaid rent and major cleaning bills after each tenant moves out. The industrial park will expand into this area with the road continuing from the cul-de-sac at the end of Hochmayr Drive through the property to Dallas Street. Motion by Bronstad, second by Morley to advertise for bids on the purchase and removal of the house with the requirement that the house be removed by July 1, 2010. Motion carried.

Kathy Fagan, owner of Back to Basics business on Knapp Street requested parking restrictions in front of her business on Knapp Street. Her customers are often unable to park near her business due to the fact that some vehicles park in those spots all day. Motion by Waite, second by Bronstad to approve two-hour parking limit on both parking spots in front of Back to Basics on Knapp Street (117 Knapp Street). Motion carried.

Motion by Linton, second by Morley to approve the Proclamation proclaiming May 15, 2010 "Peace Officers Memorial Day". Motion carried.

Reimbursement for NSF charged was requested by Walter Abbott. He stated that he incurred the charge because the utility charge was not deducted from his account on the day he expected it to be charged. When he contacted his bank to get his account balance he assumed the charge had already been deducted. Motion by Waite, seconded by Morley to deny reimbursement for the charge. Motion carried.

Motion by Morley, second by Bronstad, to approve the use of city property in the industrial park off Dallas Street for the demolition derby to be held on September 11, 2010. Event will be the same as the previous year with the Chamber of Commerce sponsoring the event. Motion carried.

Motion by Bronstad, second by Linton to proceed with a public hearing to amend the text for non-conforming structures. The hearing will be scheduled for June 8th at 6:30 p.m. prior to the regular council meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Bronstad, second by Morley to proceed with the official mapping of the land for a future freeway exchange at county road “D” and highway 53. Motion carried.

Police Chief Mark Petersen advised the council that two citations were issued to Stringer’s Bar for violating their liquor license by not having a licensed operator on site on two occasions. Motion by Morley, second by Waite, to proceed with a hearing and summon the owner of Stringers to appear before the council regarding the violations. The hearing will be held on Thursday, May 20, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Motion by Bronstad, second by Linton, to approve the requests by Red’s for premise description changes to allow outdoor alcohol consumption on May 29th and July 2nd, 3rd, and 4th between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. with the stipulations that the fencing and supervision regulations are adhered to. Motion carried.

Community Bank of Cameron requested to have the City of Chetek release the mortgage lien on 701 Tainter in the amount of \$15,024 due to the probable foreclosure on the home. Motion by Bronstad to deny the release of the lien, second by Waite. Motion carried.

Motion by Waite, second by Bronstad, to adopt ordinance 707A adopting Wisconsin Act 12 in the code or ordinances. The Wisconsin smoking ban will be effective July 5, 2010. Motion carried.

Residents at 1114 5th street requested to exceed the two pet limit at the residence. They currently have 3 dogs, two of which are licensed. The third will be licensed if they are approved to keep the third dog. The city had received complaints regarding the dogs barking on two occasions. The resident stated that one of the dogs is 18 years old and will not live much longer. Alderperson Bronstad made the motion to approve the third dog until one of the dogs is either deceased or given away and at that time the residents will have to comply with the two pet limit. He stated that they have set precedence in approving previous requests under the same circumstances and that one dog could be a nuisance if they bark or are running at large. Having more than one or two doesn’t necessarily mean they will be a nuisance. He stated that if the neighbors call to complain about the dogs barking or running loose they will be cited by the police department. The ordinances state that if two complaints are filed with the police department within a four week period, the animal shall be considered a nuisance. If the animal has been declared a nuisance, it cannot be kept at the residence. Motion was seconded by Linton. Ayes – Bronstad, Linton, Waite, nays – Morley. Motion passed.

Motion by Waite, second by Morley, to approve the request to close Lakeview Drive between Wisconsin Avenue and City Park Drive for the Fishy Four race to be held on July 3, 2010. Motion carried.

Motion by Bronstad, second by Linton to award the 2010 street projects bid to Monarch Paving Co. in the amount of \$52.59 per ton for paving and .65 per square yard for pulverizing and the MSIPLT projects - \$53.39 per ton for paving and .65 per square yard for pulverizing. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Bronstad, second by Waite. Motion carried.

Carmen Newman, clerk/treasurer