

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**  
**06/08/2020**

The Committee of the Whole met in regular session in the council chambers of the Park Falls city hall at 5:00 p.m. on June 8, 2020. Mayor Michael Bablick called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. and the following members were present:

Mayor:	Michael Bablick
Aldermen:	Chris Hoffman Richard Scharp --absent Michael Mader Dennis Wartgow James Corbett ---via phone Anthony Thier Dina Bukachek Dan Greenwood
City Administrator:	Brentt Michalek
Attorney:	Bryce Shoenborn

Also present: Michelle Smith, Tammy and Jason Hastings, Jerry Ernst and Scott Hilgart

There was a motion by Alderman Mader and seconded by Alderman Wartgow to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.

Under communications, Alderman Thier asked about the progress of the seaplane base. City Administrator Michalek responded that everything was going pretty smooth and there should be an update towards the end of June. Treasurer Smith informed the council that they should have all received a liquor license list from Chief Ernst with violations/police calls on it. The list for approval will be presented at the June 22, 2020 council meeting. If anyone has any questions on the report, they need to contact Chief Ernst. Alderman Mader mentioned that there are quite a few properties that are in need of repair and Alderman Greenwood also asked what the procedure is for individuals that are not mowing their lawn. Weed Commissioner Hilgart informed everyone that weed notices were sent out and his crew has taken care of some of the nuisance lawns.

Under public comment, Tammy Hastings mentioned that impounding of vehicles could possibly take place under our property maintenance ordinance.

Under Finance, Alderman Greenwood made a motion to pay the bills of \$338,395.89. Seconded by Alderman Hoffman and motion carried, 7-0. There was discussion on TIF Development Agreement for \$100,000 for properties located at 219, 229 and 239 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue North in Tax Increment District #5. The Mexican restaurant is looking at opening up on December 31, 2020. Two of the parcels would be the restaurant and the other parcel would be intended for higher end rental apartment property. There was a motion by Alderman Mader and seconded by Alderman Greenwood to approve this agreement contingent on the sale that was scheduled for June 12, 2020. Motion carried, 7-0.

Under Board of Public Works, there was a request from the Park Falls American Legion Post 182 to use the baseball field at the Athletic Complex to conduct the fireworks display on July 4, 2020 with a rain date of July 5, 2020. Motion by Alderman Greenwood and seconded by Alderman Hoffman to allow this. Motion

carried. City Administrator Michalek informed the council that a revised/updated ATC Tower agreement is needed. Alderman Hoffman made a motion to recommend to the full council that the attorney and administrator be allowed to finalize the contract and present a final draft to the council at the next council meeting. Motion carried. The mayor spoke about the use of municipal properties for special events for the remainder of 2020. There was a consensus from the council that a special events ordinance is needed for the City. City Administrator Michalek presented a chicken coop permit application for 456 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue South. There was a motion by Alderman Wartgow and seconded by Alderman Mader to approve this permit. Motion carried.

Under Public Services, the council heard from City Administrator Michalek that JB Disposal was interested in continuing their contracts with the City of Park Falls. This would include the garbage/refuse contract, recycling contract and transfer station contract. The garbage/refuse contract is in the amount of \$61,649.28/year; the recycling contract is in the amount of \$64,817.76/year and the lease agreement is \$10,000/year for the transfer station. The only change is that if gas goes above \$4/gallon, JB Disposal would ask for an increase of \$.30/house for a fuel surcharge. This would be in place until December 31, 2025. Motion by Alderman Wartgow and seconded by Alderman Thier to recommend to the council the above items for approval. Motion carried.

There was nothing to report for personnel.

There was a motion by Alderman Mader and seconded by Alderman Greenwood to convene into closed session, pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(e)-deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. (Regarding the purchase of properties listed below: vacant land located at 50-271-2-40-01-14-2-03-000-07000.) Motion carried, 7-0 at 6:02 p.m.

Motion to reconvene at 6:43 p.m. by Alderman Wartgow and seconded by Alderman Greenwood. Motion carried, 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Michelle M. Smith  
Treasurer/Deputy Clerk