COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 11/11/2024

The Common Council of the City of Park Falls met in regular session at 5:00 PM on Monday, November 11, 2024. Mayor Tara Tervort called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM and the following members were present:

Mayor:	Tara Tervort
Alderman:	Dan Greenwood (excused) Dennis Wartgow Terry Wilson James Corbett Anthony Thier Dixie Weidman Michael Mader Dina Bukachek
City Attorney:	Bryce Schoenborn
City and Zoning Administrator:	Scott Kluver

Staff present: Bill Hoffman, Marvin Nevelier, Larry Reas, Deb Hyde, Becky Michels

Also present: Gary Wollerman, Tom LaVenture,

There was a motion by Alderman Wilson and seconded by Alderman Mader to adopt the agenda with removal of items 10 & 11 referring to closed session. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS – Alderman Mader reminded the group that memory wreaths are still available for purchase and requested permission for the beautification committee to plug in a lighted wreath. Alderman Bukachek noted that the Park & Rec Committee and the Chamber will be decorating the park Saturday and all are invited.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Reminder from Gary that political signs should be taken down.

NEW BUSINESS

Justina Talek with ESA Solar addressed the Council regarding a proposed project location change. There was a motion by Alderman Wilson and seconded by Alderman Mader to approve ESA's request to investigate the potential use of the proposed property. Motion carried 6-1. (Corbett opposed).

2025 Water and Sewer Budget presentation by Administrator Scott Kluver. He recommends applying for a simple rate case each year and has also taken capital needs into consideration. A motion was made by Alderman Wartgow and seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve the water and sewer budgets with the planned capital improvements and with approval to apply for the simple rate case on an annual basis moving forward. Motion carried, 7-0

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance – There was a motion by Alderman Weidman and seconded by Alderman Bukachek to approve paying the bills in the amount of \$125,982.00. Motion carried, 7-0. Motion by Alderman Wartgow and seconded by Alderman Weidman to approve the Contractors Application for Pay #5 to Janke General Contractors in the amount of \$443,108.92. Motion carried, 7-0. Administrator Kluver reviewed the proposed 2025 fee schedule

highlighting recommended changes. There was a motion by Alderman Wilson and seconded by Alderman Bukachek to approve the Fee Schedule for 2025. Motion carried, 6-1. (Corbett opposed).

Board of Public Works – Nothing to report

Public Services – Nothing to report.

Personnel – Nothing to report.

Update to Committee of the Whole on General City Operations – Continue to work on budgets. Voting went well, early voting was busier than anticipated.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Prepared by: Becky Michels, City Treasurer.