

COMMON COUNCIL
5/14/2018

The Common Council of the City of Park Falls met in regular session in the council chambers of the Park Falls city hall at 5:00 PM on Monday, May 14, 2018. Mayor Daniel Leidl called the meeting to order and the following members were present:

Mayor:	Daniel Leidl
Aldermen:	Michael Bablick Chris Hoffman David Dryer Michael Mader Dennis Wartgow James Corbett Anthony Thier Dina Bukachek
City Attorney:	Bryce Schoenborn

The minutes of the previous Council meeting of 4/23/18 were presented. Moved by Alderman Wartgow and seconded by Alderman Hoffman to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Alderman Dryer presented the Personnel Committee report.

Alderman Wartgow presented the Finance Committee report. Moved by Alderman Wartgow and seconded by Alderman Hoffman to pay the bills in the amount of \$360,929.38. Motion carried.

Alderman Thier presented the minutes of the 5/7/18 BPW meeting. Moved by Alderman Thier and seconded by Alderman Mader to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried. Moved by Alderman Bablick and seconded by Alderman Mader to table Jason Hastings' request to install a circular driveway at 477 Paddock Avenue as Mr. Hastings was not present. Motion carried. Jim Bollmann of MSA presented information on the forcemain project including bid results. Moved by Alderman Wartgow and seconded by Alderman Mader to approve the forcemain replacement bid from Francis Melvin, Inc. in the amount of \$517,858.67 contingent upon receipt of DNR wetland permits. Motion carried, 8-0.

Alderman Mader presented the Public Services Committee report. A liquor license application from Riiser Fuels, LLC. was presented. Moved by Alderman Bablick and seconded by Alderman Mader to grant the license. Motion carried. Picnic license applications from the Chamber of Commerce for Flambeau Rama were presented. Moved by Alderman Thier and seconded by Alderman Bukachek to grant the licenses. Motion carried.

Mayor Leidl presented his report. The Flambeau River Papers, LLC landfill maintenance proposal was discussed. Information was presented by Doug Hilgart, the local union president,

Butch Johnson, and Kevin Richards. Moved by Alderman Bablick and seconded by Alderman Wartgow to reject Flambeau River Papers, LLC's proposal to have the City of Park Falls assume financial responsibility for long-term maintenance of a paper mill landfill. Motion carried, 6-2, Aldermen Hoffman and Mader voting no.

City Attorney Schoenborn presented his report.

Clerk-Treasurer Homann presented her report.

Police Chief Straetz reported that part-time police officer Ashley Boushon recently resigned. He also presented information on the drug disposal program and on city-wide notification for spring clean-up.

Mayor Leitl informed the Council that he had attended a Brownsfield conference where dilapidated buildings were discussed. He learned that the best solution to this blight is to have strong ordinances and to have the local building inspector issue orders to comply with those ordinances.

Jason Hastings arrived at the meeting. As a point of order Alderman Hoffman noted that our city ordinance requires that Mr. Hastings' driveway request be addressed to the Board of Public Works not to the Council. This request will be placed on the 6/4/18 BPW agenda.

Alderman Bablick updated the Council on Park Falls Area Community Development Corporation activities. The Lifetime Achievement Award will be presented posthumously to Arnold J. Stueber, Sr. in a ceremony to be held at NTC in Phillips on June 6th at 6:30 PM. He also invited the Council to attend Price County Economic Development Association's meeting on May 30 in Prentice where League of Wisconsin Municipalities Executive Director Jerry Deschane will be the guest speaker.

In public comment, Alderman Wartgow thanked the Council members who voted to reject Flambeau River Papers, LLC's landfill proposal. Also in public comment, Alderman Bablick noted that the outdoor Park Falls community pool will open on June 5th.

The meeting adjourned at 6:34 PM.

Arla J. Homann
Clerk-Treasurer