

COMMON COUNCIL
8/14/2017

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, August 14, 2017. Mayor Daniel Leitl called the meeting to order and the following members were present:

Mayor:	Daniel Leitl
Aldermen:	Michael Bablick Chris Hoffman David Dryer Michael Mader Dennis Wartgow Ron Hogue Anthony Thier
City Attorney:	Scott Reinhard

A moment of silence was held in memory of Alderman Ronald J. Schoch, Sr.

Mayor Leitl read the following proposed resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 17-005
Honoring Alderman Ronald J. Schoch, Sr.

Moved by Alderman Wartgow and seconded by Alderman Mader to adopt the resolution as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

The minutes of the previous Council meeting of 7/10/17 were presented. Moved by Alderman Bablick and seconded by Alderman Hogue to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried, 7-0.

Alderman Dryer presented the minutes of the 7/24/17 Personnel Committee meeting. Moved by Alderman Hogue and seconded by Alderman Mader to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried, 7-0.

Alderman Wartgow presented the Finance Committee report. Moved by Alderman Wartgow and seconded by Alderman Hogue to pay the bills in the amount of \$889,311.71. Motion carried, 7-0.

Alderman Thier presented the BPW report. A proposed Wellhead Protection Plan was presented to the Council. Moved by Alderman Wartgow and seconded by Alderman Mader to adopt the Wellhead Protection Plan as presented, and to work with Andrew Aslesen from the Wisconsin Rural Water Association and with Price County Zoning to develop a Wellhead Protection Ordinance for all Park Falls Water Utility wells. Motion carried, 7-0.

The Council heard a request from Paws for a Cause to use city streets for a walk benefiting Catkins Animal Rescue. Moved by Alderman Thier and seconded by Alderman Hogue to grant permission. Motion carried, 7-0.

A street closure request from the Park Falls Area Chamber of Commerce for the Flambeau 40 Bike Race to be held on 9/2/17 was presented to the Council. Moved by Alderman Mader and seconded by Alderman Wartgow to grant permission. Motion carried, 7-0.

Alderman Mader presented the minutes of the 7/31/17 Public Services Committee meeting. Moved by Alderman Mader and seconded by Alderman Thier to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried, 7-0. Alderman Mader noted that an open house will be held on 8/22/17 at 5:00 PM in the Council Chambers to answer any questions the public may have regarding our new refuse and recycling collection process.

Mayor Leitl appointed Tonya Kozuch to the Plan Commission. Moved by Alderman Hogue and seconded by Alderman Mader to confirm the mayor's appointment. Motion carried, 7-0.

Clerk-Treasurer Homann reported that she and her deputy will be in software training during the weeks of 8/28/17 and 9/5/17.

Chief of Police Straetz presented the Flambeau Rama wrap up report. He also noted that a change will need to be made to the City's ordinance regarding regulation of sexual offenders. Chief Straetz then informed the Council that Robert Zoubek has been promoted to the position of police sergeant, and that the search for part-time police officers continues. He also noted that his department has obtained Narcan to protect his officers from an accidental overdose in the line of duty.

Street & Water Superintendent Hilgart reported that the 2017 street paving projects are underway.

Pool Director Bablick informed the Council that the municipal pool closes on 8/18/17 and that a pool party will be held from 1:00-4:00 PM on that day.

In public comment, Alderman Mader asked about the Ash Street lift station project. Street & Water Superintendent Hilgart indicated that the Town of Lake may consider raising Ash Street to put a larger culvert under the Tuscobia Trail, and that USDA funding may be available to assist with this lift station project. Also in public comment, Gary Koski asked the Council to consider allowing odd/even street parking during the winter months.

The meeting adjourned at 6:37 PM.

Arla J. Homann
Clerk-Treasurer