

COMMON COUNCIL
9/10/2018

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, September 10, 2018. Mayor Daniel Leitl called the meeting to order and the following members were present:

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

The minutes of the previous Council meeting of 8/13/18 were presented. Moved by Alderman Wartgow and seconded by Alderman Bablick to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Michael Bablick, Administrator of the Park Falls Area Community Development Corporation (PFACDC), presented the PFACDC Annual Report. He summarized the 2018 hotel feasibility study, the bleacher fundraiser, and presented information about opportunity zones meant to encourage economic development in our community. Looking forward he noted the PFACDC is focusing on housing rehabilitation by connecting property owners with resources, the water utility situation created by the reduction in usage by Flambeau River Papers, and the importance of acquiring industrial park land for future economic development. He requested the city consider funding the PFACDC in 2019 at the same level as 2018.

Alderman Dryer presented the Personnel Committee report.

Alderman Wartgow presented the Finance Committee report. Moved by Alderman Mader and seconded by Alderman Thier to pay the bills in the amount of \$317,952.82. Motion carried.

Alderman Thier presented the minutes of the 9/4/18 BPW meeting. Moved by Alderman Thier and seconded by Alderman Mader to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried. Moved by Alderman Wartgow and seconded by Alderman Dryer to approve the BPW's recommendation to install sewer services to all campsites at Hines Park. Motion carried. The following ordinance was introduced:

ORDINANCE NO. 18-009
Creating a Groundwater Protection Overlay District

Moved by Alderman Wartgow and seconded by Alderman Dryer to approve the BPW's recommendation to adopt this ordinance as presented. Motion carried.

Alderman Mader presented the Public Services Committee report.

Mayor Leidl presented a trucking weight limits support letter. Moved by Alderman Thier and seconded by Alderman Bukachek to approve this support letter. Motion carried. Budget meetings were scheduled for 10/8/18 following the Council meeting and on 10/22/18 at 5:00 PM. The Council reviewed the 1st Avenue North traffic report which was prepared by the Price County Sheriff's Department after the city police department had monitored and enforced this speed zone.

City Attorney Schoenborn presented his report.

Clerk-Treasurer Homann informed the Council that she would be attending the Civic System Symposium from September 12-14, 2018.

Chief of Police Straetz presented his monthly report.

Water & Street Superintendent Hilgart reported that a section of Case Avenue will be closed for 2 weeks during force main replacement. He also reported that phosphorus treatment at the wastewater treatment plant will begin on 9/11/18.

Alderman Bablick mentioned that he had received an estimate to recoat the floor and sides of the pool at an approximate cost of \$100,000.

In public comment, Michael Bablick read a prepared statement advocating replacing the clerk-treasurer position with a city administrator/manager position upon Clerk-Treasurer Homann's retirement. Also in public comment, Alderman Mader noted that a homecoming cookout will be held with proceeds going to the football bleacher project.

The meeting adjourned at 5:48 PM.

Arla J. Homann
Clerk-Treasurer