CITY OF SOUTH BELOIT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 2, 2017

CALL TO ORDER: 5:00 pm, Council Chambers, City Hall by Mayor Rehl.

ROLL CALL: Present & answering to roll call were Commissioners Baden, Chambers, Duffy, Fitzgerald, and Mayor Rehl. City Attorney Aaron Szeto was present. City Clerk Tracy Patrick recorded the minutes. Department Heads in attendance: Fire Chief Mike Davenport, Police Chief Dean Stiegemeier, Public Works Superintendent Jeff Reininger.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Rehl and recited by all members present.

INVOCATION: Mayor Rehl asked for a moment of silence.

APPROVE AGENDA: Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve the agenda second by Commissioner Fitzgerald. Voice vote carried the motion.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 1. Commissioner Duffy made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on September 18, 2017. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion.

REPORT OF OFFICERS: 1. Finance: a. Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve the claims to be paid from September 16-29, 2017 in the amount of $185,495.30. Commissioner Fitzgerald second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.


CORRESPONDENCE: 1 a. Winnebago County Board Chairman Frank Haney was not present to address Council regarding General Collaboration.

b. City Engineer, Mick Gronewold was present from Fehr Graham to provide an update regarding the Waste Water Treatment Plant. Mr. Gronewold stated the design plan is coming along good. There will be a 90% review meeting soon. The project should go out to bid in December or January. After that, final Environmental Protection Agency work will be completed. Building may start in April or March, and completion of the plant should be around December 2019.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion and/or Motion Items: 1 a. Commissioner Fitzgerald made a motion to hire Shawna Henthorn as Code Enforcement Officer. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.
b. Commissioner Fitzgerald made a motion to hire Julia Smith as part-time Fire Fighter/EMT for the Fire Department. Commissioner Duffy second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

c. Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve the 2018 Budget Time Table second by Commissioner Fitzgerald. Voice vote carried the motion.

d. Commissioner Duffy made a motion to approve Ordinance 2301 amended Prevailing Wage 2017. Commissioner Fitzgerald second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

e. Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve Resolution 5919 authorizing the purchase of one Ford Interceptor SUV for the Police Department at a cost not to exceed $39,325.94. Commissioner Fitzgerald second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

f. Commissioner Duffy made a motion to approve bid letting for pavement and signage on Park Avenue for the bike path. Commissioner Baden second the motion. After discussion, Commissioners Duffy and Baden withdrew their motions. Commissioner Chambers made a motion to layover the bid letting until further information is provided as to what funds can be used for the bike path. Commissioner Duffy second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion.

g. Attorney Szeto informed Council that the recent fee increases for the liquor licenses did not include the Class D95 License. Consensus from Council was to increase all licenses including the Class D95. An Ordinance will be brought back to Council for approval of the increase.

h. Council discussed the Sign Ordinance with regards to string lighting. Council was not able to determine what the intention of the Sign Committee members may or may not have recommended regarding string lighting. The requirements of what Beloit allows for this type of lighting were discussed. Attorney Szeto stated that Council could determine what to allow. An Ordinance amending the code could be brought back to Council for approval. Attorney Szeto said Attorney Sosnowski spoke with a long time business owner who was not in favor of allowing the lights at all. Council directed Attorney Szeto to add language that allows string lights with restrictions.

**MISCELLANEOUS LICENCES & PERMITS:**

1. RLE’s:
   a. Mattina Hickox-Road Ranger
   b. Tristan Littleton-Road Ranger
   c. Sean Elliott-Road Ranger
   d. Kayla Severide-Road Ranger

2. Tattoo Artist:
   a. Kayla Kent

   Commissioner Duffy made a motion to approve all licenses second by Commissioner Fitzgerald second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 5:54 pm on a motion made by Commissioner Baden second by Commissioner Fitzgerald. The purpose of Executive Session is to:

1. Discuss personnel issues as provided by 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION:**

At 6:34 pm.

**ROLL CALL:**

Roll call showed all members present at the onset of the meeting.

**ADJOURN:**

At 6:34 pm on a motion made by Commissioner Baden second by Commissioner Duffy. Voice vote carried the motion.
Mayor  City Clerk

Approved: