CITY OF SOUTH BELOIT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 21, 2014

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 pm, Council Chambers, City Hall by Mayor Schoonover.

ROLL CALL: Present & answering to roll call were Commissioners Barber, Chambers, LaMendola, and Mayor Schoonover.
City Attorney Roxanne Sosnowski was present.
City Clerk Tracy Patrick recorded the minutes.
Department Heads in attendance:
Fire Chief Ken Morse
Police Chief Dean Steigemeier
Public Works Dept Jeff Reininger

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

INVOCATION: Led by Commissioner LaMendola.

APPROVE AGENDA: Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner LaMendola second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Brett Guetschow spoke regarding a tree that is located on an empty lot next to his property that partially fell on his garage and car causing damage to their property. He would like to have the City top off or remove the tree. He stated his is interested in the property and offered $250.00 to purchase the property with the condition of him having the tree removed at his own cost.

APPROVE MINUTES: Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve the minutes of the following meetings:
1. Public Hearing held on June 30, 2014
2. Special Meeting held on June 30, 2014
3. Public Hearing held on July 2, 2014
4. Special Meeting held on July 2, 2014
5. Regular Council Meeting held on July 7, 2014
Commissioner LaMendola second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.

REPORT OF OFFICERS: Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve the claims to be paid from July 4-18, 2014 in the amount of $425,681.68 with the condition of holding the Pipeline Solutions payment of $70,114.95 until clarification is made for how to pay the bill since it is reimbursable from the IEPA Loan. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.

Finance
Don Elliott
Monthly Reports:
Fire Department
Police Department
Public Works Department
Commissioners Reports:
Health & Public Safety-Commissioner Linda Chambers
Streets & Public Improvements-Commissioner Donald Barber
Public Properties-Commissioner John LaMendola

FOIA Report:
Requestor: Noble Ventures, Inc Date: 7-11-14 Information Requested:
Business License applications or Sales Tax Permits received by the City regardless if they were approved or denied.
Zoning and Planning Officials Report
Jessica Roberts, Zoning and Planning Official spoke to Council regarding the Codes for signage within the City. She would like to coordinate a steering committee comprised of 1 Council Member, and other people in the City that would evaluate the code and go through the City to look at the current signage within the City.

Attorney Sosnowski informed Council the Request for Proposals for Qualifications for Environmental Consulting Services draft is complete and asked Council to review the draft and make any recommendations. RFP’s will be due by August 11, 2014 and placed on the August 18, 2014 Regular Council Meeting agenda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Discussion and/or Motion Items:
   a. Council discussed the request for a Special Use Permit to allow outdoor sales of portable accessory buildings in the (CG) Commercial General District for the property located at 824 Gardner St. South Beloit, Illinois, Winnebago County, PIN Nos. 04-05-402-009, 04-05-402-008, 04-05-402-007, 04-05-402-006, and 04-05-402-005 from petitioner Norm Oldenburg. Zoning Official, Jessica Roberts reported that staff met with the applicant and his attorney regarding the request. She read the recommended conditions for the request if Council approves the Special Use Permit. Council agreed with the recommendations of the Zoning Board of Appeals, Zoning and Planning Official, and Code Enforcement Officer. The request died for a lack of a motion.
   b. Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Ordinance 2005 Appropriations Ordinance for Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2014 and ending December 31, 2014. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.
   c. Commissioner Barber made a motion to approve Resolution 5716 for Maintenance of Streets and Highways under the Illinois Highway Code for the utilization of Motor Fuel Tax Funds. Commissioner LaMendola second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion and/or Motion Items:
   a. Commissioner Barber made a motion to approve the request for a fundraising event for Another Chance Animal Sanctuary to be held at Fair Oaks Rehabilitation & Health Care Center at 1515 Blackhawk Blvd on October 18, 2014 from 10 am to 4 pm. Commissioner LaMendola second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.
   b. Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve the request for a fundraising event to be held at Baar’s Five Star Bar located at 128 South Bluff Road on July 26, 2014 from 2 pm to 6 pm. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.
   c. Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve the request in the amount of $5000.00 to be taken from the Hotel/Motel fund for the South Beloit Fire Department’s 6th Annual Corn Boil fundraiser event to be held at the South Beloit City Park on August 23, 2014. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 3 ayes and 1 nay from Commissioner LaMendola.
   d. Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve Ordinance 2006 amending Ordinance 2000 authorizing the issuance of a Class EV Liquor License for Holtz Hirst Post 288 d/b/a South Beloit American Legion due to Ordinance number 2000 being issued to two different Ordinances. Commissioner LaMendola second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.
e. Commissioner Barber made a motion to layover Ordinance 2007 approving a Class EV Liquor License for Don Carter Lanes Inc. d/b/a Viking Lanes Inc. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion.
f. Commissioner Barber made a motion to approve Resolution 5718 appointing Donald Elliott and Elliott & Company accounting firm to serve as Finance Director for the period July 1, 2014 through the next general election. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.
g. Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Bid Letting for roof repairs for the South Beloit Fire Department. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.
h. Commissioner Barber made a motion to approve Resolution 5719 approving an agreement between the City of South Beloit and Illinois Department of Transportation for Construction Maintenance, Preliminary Engineering and Construction Engineering of Streets and Highways-2014 MFT Maintenance. Commissioner LaMendola second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.
i. Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Resolution 5720 approving a Maintenance Engineering Agreement with Fehr-Graham & Associates for MFT funds. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.
j. Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Ordinance 2008 amending Chapter Two Administration, Article One in General, to add City Oath of Office in the following form: “I, (Name), do solemnly swear, that I will support the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Illinois, the Ordinances of the City of South Beloit, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of (office) of the City of South Beloit so help me God.” Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.
k. The quote from Mastercraft Exteriors for roof repairs/replacement to small garage, concession stand, Lion’s pavilion, Legion pavilion, and kindergarten building in the amount of $11,164.61 was reviewed and discussed. Council determined that the item should be brought back to the Council once 2 more bids have been obtained.
l. Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve hiring Melissa Loescher and Carolynn Stone as part time employees for the City Clerk’s Office contingent upon passing a drug screen and physical. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.
m. Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve hiring Billy Buggs as a part time employee for the Public Works Department pending passing a drug screen and physical. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.

MISCELLANEOUS LICENSES & PERMITS:

1. Miscellaneous Licenses:
   a. Nardo’s Café
   b. Carniceria Taquera La Mexicana #2
   Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve with a late fee imposed second by Commissioner Barber. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.

2. RLE’s:
   a. Bhupendra Patel-Primasean
   b. Chantel Condon-Vegas Magic
   c. Kellie Emmens-Vegas Magic
   d. Sarah Laing-Vegas Magic
   e. Stephanie Lindsay-Vegas Magic
   f. Shailshkumar Patel-Vegas Magic
   Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve all licenses second by Commissioner Barber. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.

3. Tattoo Artist:
   a. Chyanne Helton-Twilight Dreamz
   Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve second by Commissioner Barber. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes.
EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 7:36 pm on a motion made by Commissioner Chambers second by Commissioner Barber. The purpose for Executive Session is to:
1. Discuss the selection of a person to fill a public office as provided by 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (3) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: At 8:15 pm. Roll call showed all members present at the onset of the meeting.

Mayor Schoonover announced there will be a Special Meeting held on Thursday, July 24, 2014 at 6:00 pm to interview candidates for the vacant position on the Council.

ADJOURN: At 8:16 pm on a motion made by Commissioner Chambers second by Commissioner Barber. Voice vote carried the motion.

Mayor 

City Clerk

Approved: