

CITY OF SOUTH BELOIT  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
AUGUST 5, 2013

CALL TO ORDER: 6:05 pm, Council Chambers, City Hall by Mayor Duffy.

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

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

RECOGNITION TO AMEND THE AGENDA: Commissioner Chambers made a motion to amend the agenda adding 1 a. Discussion of Sign Ordinance under New Business and renumbering the remaining New Business items accordingly, and add Item 2 a. Recognition/presentation under Monthly Reports: Police Department second by Commissioner Barber. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

APPROVE AGENDA: Commissioner Schoonover made a motion to approve the agenda second by Commissioner Barber. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Bill Tinder commented on the recently rescinded Shut-off Ordinance. He is happy that Council changed the Ordinance; however he feels that the property owners who had the shut-off valves installed while the previous Ordinance was in place should be reimbursed for the cost of having the shut-off valves installed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Commissioner Schoonover made a motion to approve of the minutes of the Public Hearing held on July 1, 2013. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 abstain by Commissioner LaMendola.  
Commissioner Schoonover made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on July 1, 2013. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 abstain by Commissioner LaMendola.  
Commissioner Schoonover made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on July 15, 2013. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 3 ayes and 2 abstain by Commissioner Chambers and Mayor Duffy.

REPORT OF OFFICERS: Finance Assistant, Brett Blondin stated there was an error in billing from the Winnebago County Animal Service. A corrected bill will be issued and will be paid at that time. Commissioner Schoonover stated that there was a reimbursement to her from the Atlanta Conference she attended. She paid for her expenses as they occurred. Terra Con sent the check to the City and she was in turn reimbursed by the City. Commissioner Barber made a motion to approve claims to be paid from July 13-August 2, 2013 in the amount of \$594,772.81. Commissioner Schoonover second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Finance

Don Elliott

Monthly Reports:

Fire Department

Police Department

Chief Stiegemeier presented Police Officer David Lee with a plaque in recognition of 26 years of service to the City of South Beloit as a Police Officer. Officer Lee retired on August 1, 2013.

Mayor Duffy recessed the meeting at 6:27 pm to celebrate with cake for Officer Lee.  
Mayor Duffy reconvened the meeting at 6:40 pm

Public Works Department

Commissioners Reports:

Accounts & Finance-Commissioner Alice Schoonover

Streets & Public Improvements-Commissioner Donald Barber

Public Properties-Commissioner John LaMendola

FOIA Report:

City Clerk:

<u>Requestor</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Information requested</u>
Edge Point Contracting	7-24-13	Uncashed checks/warrants for past 6 months An accounting of any unclaimed funds that have not been escheated to the State
Anne Strasser	8-2-13	Executive Session minutes from 1-18-11 & 1-3-12 for examples for Library Board Executive Session minutes

UNFINISHED

BUSINESS:

From the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting held on June 19, 2013 a positive recommendation was given regarding an application from petitioner Donald Ergen Sr. Commissioner Schoonover made a motion to approve Ordinance 1953 Approving a Variance for the property located at 2027 Blackhawk Blvd subject to certain conditions. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to layover Ordinance 1956 Amending Chapter 66 Parks and Recreation adding regulations for City Parks. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Zoning and Planning Official Jessica Roberts was present to speak with Council and answer any questions Council may have regarding the proposed Text Amendment regarding the Sign Ordinance. She stated that definitions regarding electronic graphic displays and electronic graphic display business signs need to be updated to better describe electronic display board signs. The requests for electronic signs need to be reviewed on a site by site basis and should be considered to be required through a special use permit so that nearby property owners can be notified. Some businesses are located next to residential zoned areas. The requests could be considered to be allowed, but with conditions. Currently the Code does not allow for these types of signs to be located next to residential property. Any current signs would be grandfathered in. Ms. Roberts recommended considering monument style type signs. She further stated that due to the variety of zoning districts within the City there can be other issues.

Brent Seay was present to request approval from Council regarding a Bicycle Tour event he would like to host within the City on September 7, 2013. It was determined that no Council approval was needed as long as there will not be any roads closed. No action was taken.

From the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting held on July 18, 2013 a positive recommendation was given regarding an application from petitioner Justin Lange. Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Ordinance 1957 Approving Variances for the property located at 326 Burr Oak Ave subject to certain conditions. Commissioner Schoonover second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Commissioner Schoonover made a motion to approve Ordinance 1958 Authorizing the Issuance of a Class EV Event Liquor License to Pearl Lake Club Corp for a 1 day event to be held on September 21, 2013 at the South Beloit Businessmen's Association at 525 Washington. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Ordinance 1959 subject to the final approval from Police Chief Stiegemeier Authorizing the Issuance of a Class EV Event Liquor License to St Vincent de Paul for a 1 day event to be held on September 14, 2013 at 620 Blackhawk Blvd. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Commissioner Barber made a motion to approve the request from Viking Lanes Inc. for an outdoor event with alcohol to be allowed to be consumed in the complete area of the parking lot to be held

on August 24, 2013 from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve Council and City Clerk to attend the Illinois Municipal League Conference from October 17-19, 2013. Commissioner Schoonover second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve the cancellation of the current Life and AD & D employee benefits through Sun Life Financial and begin Life and AD & D benefits with Dearborn National. Commissioner Schoonover second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Commissioner Barber made a motion to approve the quote for an electric motor from McGilvra Electric for the Wastewater Treatment plant in the amount of \$2,752.00. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Commissioner Barber made a motion to approve the quote for blower repair from Berryman Equipment Company for the Wastewater Treatment plant in the amount of \$14,741.00. This item was previously approved by Council with the blower being installed in house, however it will need to be sent and installed directly by Berryman. Commissioner Schoonover second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to layover bid recommendations for the Police Station Garage Access Addition. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Commissioner Chambers made a motion to layover bid recommendations for South Bluff Road repair project until next year since no bids were submitted for the project. Commissioner Barber second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Commissioner Barber made a motion to approve Resolution 5656 Adopting Code of Conduct. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Ordinance 1960 An Ordinance authorizing the City of South Beloit, Winnebago County, Illinois, to borrow funds from the water pollution control loan program for the purpose of sanitary sewer system repairs was presented to Council for a first reading. There was a question if additional equipment could be included. Tammy Scott from McMahon Engineering was present. She stated that City Engineer, Tim Bronn would have to check if equipment could be added to the loan.

Commissioner Barber made a motion to approve Resolution 5657 Authorizing the Mayor of the City of South Beloit to sign loan documents from the water pollution control loan program for the purpose of sanitary sewer system repairs. Commissioner Schoonover second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Commissioner Barber made a motion to approve Resolution 5658 To Ratify the emergency purchase for emergency repairs to the storm sewer by E.N. Hughes pursuant to section 2-491 Emergency purchase at a cost of \$4,346.00. Commissioner LaMendola second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

MISCELLANEOUS  
LICENSES & PERMITS:

Miscellaneous Licenses:

Captain's Galley

Commissioner LaMendola made a motion to approve with a late fee. Commissioner Schoonover second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

RLE's

Andria Sopczak-R & D #7

Commissioner Barber made a motion to approve second by Commissioner LaMendola. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

Video Gaming Licenses:

Bilardello Inc. DBA Anna Maria's

Commissioner Barber made a motion to approve second by Commissioner Chambers. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 8:08 pm on a motion made by Commissioner Barber second by Commissioner LaMendola. The purpose for Executive Session is to:

1. Discuss property acquisition as provided by 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(5) as provided by the Illinois Open Meetings Act.
2. Discuss personnel issues as provided by 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1) as provided by the Illinois Open Meetings Act.
3. Review closed session minutes including semi-annual review of closed session minutes pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(21) as provided by the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

RECONVENE TO  
OPEN SESSION:

At 9:15 pm. Roll call showed all members present.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Commissioner Schoonover made a motion to release the Executive Session minutes of the August 6, 2012 and no release for the Executive Session minutes of July 9, 2012, July 16, 2012, August 20, 2012 Session #1, August 20, 2012 Session #2, September 4, 2012, October 1, 2012, October 8, 2012, October 15, 2012, November 5, 2012, December 3, 2012 Session #1, December 3, 2012 Session #2, and December 17, 2012. Commissioner Chambers second the motion. Roll call vote showed 5 ayes.

ADJOURN:

At 9:21 pm on a motion made by Commissioner Barber second by Commissioner LaMendola. Voice vote carried the motion.

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Mayor

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City Clerk

Approved: