

CITY OF SOUTH BELOIT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 21, 2015

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

ROLL CALL: Present & answering to roll call were Commissioners Duffy, Fitzgerald, Redieske and Mayor Rehl. Commissioner Chambers was absent.
City Attorney Roxanne Sosnowski was present.
City Clerk Tracy Patrick recorded the minutes.
Department Heads in attendance:
Police Chief Dean Stiegemeier
Public Works Supervisor 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 Redieske made a motion to approve the agenda second by Commissioner Duffy. Voice vote carried the motion.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Terry Bryan spoke regarding the backflow preventer Ordinance. He stated he would like to see the Ordinance changed to remove the requirement for installation upon the sale of a property. He believes it's too hard to sell the home and feels the requirement takes an unfair advantage of residents. Mayor Rehl said the issue will be discussed at the next Committee of the Whole Meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Commissioner Redieske made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on September 8, 2015. Commissioner Fitzgerald second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion.

REPORT OF OFFICERS:

1. Finance:
Commissioner Duffy made a motion to approve the claims to be paid from September 5-18, 2015 as amended in the amount of \$350,676.33. Commissioner Redieske second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Commissioner Chambers.
2. Commissioner's Report:
Public Health & Safety-Commissioner Tom Fitzgerald
Streets & Public Improvements-Commissioner Jeff Redieske
Public Properties-Commissioner Lori Duffy.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Discussion and/or Motion Items:
 - a. Commissioner Duffy made a motion to approve Ordinance 2168 approving a Special Use Permit to allow an open sales lot in the (CG) Commercial General Zoning District for the property located at 414 Dearborn Ave., South Beloit, Illinois, Winnebago County, Pin NOS. 04-05-427-011 and 04-05-427-012 from petitioner Clancy Smith with conditions amended. Commissioner Fitzgerald second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Commissioner Chambers.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Information Items:
 - a. City Engineer, Ben Bushman provided an update regarding the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) Grant and the Wheeler Bridge Construction Project. In June 2015 bids were put out to rehab the bridge and add a small piece of bike path. Mr. Bushman explained the funding deficiency due to the bids that were received. Other options have been considered, however; unless the grant is increased there will still be a deficit in funds. The City is required to match 20% of the grant amount. Mayor Rehl stated he would be meeting with politician's next week to discuss assistance for the project.

2. Discussion and/or Motion Items:

- a. Commissioner Fitzgerald made a motion to approve Resolution 5794 approving a Class “EV” Special Event Liquor License for St Peter Catholic Church for a fundraising event for Steve Hatch to be held on September 17, 2015. Commissioner Duffy second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Commissioner Chambers.
- b. Commissioner Redieske made a motion to approve the request for a Homecoming Parade from the South Beloit High School to be held on October 16, 2015 from 1:25-2:10 pm. Commissioner Duffy second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion.
- c. Attorney Sosnowski reviewed the previous request submitted from Nick and Cindy Cooper for temporary suspension of penalty charges for their sewer bill as well as the comments Ms. Cooper made during Public Comment at the Regular Meeting held on September 8, 2015. She provided a memo to Council outlining the historical changes to the Utilities Chapter and how payments have been collected. Mayor Rehl spoke with Ms. Cooper who would like to further discuss the request with Council and asked that the matter be laid over for her to address the Council in person. Commissioner Redieske made a motion to layover the request until the next Regular Council Meeting. Commissioner Duffy second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion.
- d. Commissioner Redieske made a motion to approving the bid notice for snow removal 2015-2016. Commissioner Duffy second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Commissioner Chambers.
- e. Commissioner Redieske made a motion to approve the purchase of (2) bucket trucks for the Public Works Department from Trickie Enterprises at a cost not to exceed \$15,000.00. Commissioner Duffy second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Commissioner Chambers.
- f. Commissioner Redieske made a motion to approve Resolution 5795 authorizing the Mayor to sign a professional agreement with Fehr Graham for Preliminary/Construction engineering services for Motor Fuel Tax Funds. Commissioner Fitzgerald second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Commissioner Chambers.
- g. Commissioner Duffy made a motion to approve Ordinance 2170 authorizing the Disposal of Personal Property owned by the City of South Beloit (miscellaneous playground equipment). Commissioner Fitzgerald second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Commissioner Chambers.
- h. Commissioner Fitzgerald made a motion to approve Resolution 5796 declaring City owned property at 402 Clark Street as surplus property and authorizing the City Clerk to advertise the property for sale in the Beloit Daily News. Commissioner Redieske second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Commissioner Chambers.
- i. Commissioner Redieske made a motion to approve Ordinance 2171 approving the posting of No Parking signs along Dearborn Avenue south of Gardner Street. Commissioner Duffy second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion.
- j. Commissioner Redieske made a motion to approve Ordinance 2172 approving an amendment to the City of South Beloit Code of Ordinances Section 6-82 Classification of Licenses Subsection 11- Class BG (Bar Boutique Gaming) Licenses to add the hours of operation as limited to the closing hours established in Section 6-3, except that Class BG license holders shall not be eligible for a Class G license. Commissioner Fitzgerald second the motion. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Commissioner Chambers.
- k. There was discussion regarding donation requests that are submitted to the City from various organizations. Council determined requests would be considered by Council and on an individual basis. Council authorized a recent request for a donation to support the South Beloit High School Yearbook with an ad for the City to be placed in the yearbook.
- l. Commissioner Redieske made a motion to approve the removal of administration fee and/or mowing cost at 611 Northwestern Avenue on behalf of Petitioner PMM Real Estate. Commissioner Duffy second the motion. Attorney Sosnowski explained the recent code violation notice for the property located at 611 Northwestern Avenue was properly sent to the property owner regarding weeds and grass. The property owner stated he did not receive the notice. The City did not receive the notice back from the postal service. Council determined the notice was properly sent as required. Roll call vote showed 4 ayes and 1 absent by Commissioner Chambers. The motion for the request was denied.

MISCELLANEOUS
LICENSES & PERMITS:

1. Miscellaneous Licenses:
 - a. Captain’s Galley
 - b. Dos Amigos Taqueria

Commissioner Redieske made a motion to approve both license with a late fee to be imposed for Captain's Galley. Commissioner Duffy second the motion. Voice vote carried the motion.

Council members gave a brief summary of their class attendance the Illinois Municipal League Conference and the benefits of attending the conference.

ADJOURN:

At 7:56 pm on a motion made by Commissioner Duffy second by Commissioner Fitzgerald. Voice vote carried the motion.

Mayor

City Clerk

Approved: