

MINUTES
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 09, 2017
COUNCIL CHAMBER, BERLIN CITY HALL, 2ND FLOOR

Mayor Schramer called the Common Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call present: Ald. Lehr, Page, Erdmann, Eastling, Secora and Harke. Staff present: Matt Chier, Lindsey Kemnitz, Chief Plantz, Lucas Meyer, Scott Zabel, Jodie Olson and Susan Thom.

Chief Plantz introduced Lucas Meyer the new full time police officer to the Council.

Under general public comments, Daniel Hoppa informed the Common Council that his violation issue will be going to a jury trial.

The following items were listed on the Consent Agenda for approval and adoption: 1) Waive the reading of all ordinances and resolutions adopted at this meeting; 2) Receive and place on file the written reports from the City Clerk, Treasurer and Building Inspector; 3) Approve the minutes from the April 11 & 18, 2017, Common Council Meetings; 4) Accept the Committee of the Whole recommendation to authorize the construction of a bus shelter on the S. Washington Street right-of-way and approve Resolution #17-03 Memorializing and confirming the understanding between the Boys & Girls Club of the Tri-County Area and the City of Berlin on the construction, dedication, and future maintenance & responsibility of a bus shelter on S. Washington Street Right-of-way; 5) Accept the Committee of the Whole recommendation to accept the bid from Stark Pavement Corporation of Brookfield, WI for the amount of \$36,230.50 for milling and resurface project of N. Pearl Street from W. Park to W. Noyes; 6) Accept the Committee of the Whole recommendation to accept the bid from Seawall Solutions of Fremont, WI for the amount of \$294,700 for the Riverside Park seawall improvements; and 7) Approve the list of bills for payment. Ald. Secora asked to item #3 minutes removed from the Consent Agenda. Ald. Page made a motion to approve the consent agenda minus the minutes. Ald. Erdmann seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in six (6) ayes, zero (0) nays and zero (0) absent. Motion carried.

Ald. Secora noted the year on the minutes should be 2017. Ald. Secora moved to approve the April 11, 2017 Common Council minutes as amended. Ald. Lehr seconded the motion which carried by voice vote.

Next item was an ADVOCAP parking request. Daniel Hoppa spoke against the handicap parking as presented and suggested alternative options. Tony Beregszazi from ADVOCAP addressed the Council as an advocate for the parking. Beregszazi was concerned that in order to maintain the JOB CENTER in Berlin the State of Wisconsin is mandating a handicap parking space. Beregszazi did propose if the parking space could not be permanent at least until the KWIK TRIP property sold so that ADVOCAP could approach the new buyers to purchase a strip of land to be able to have the parking stall on the side of their building. Beregszazi proposed one parking space with signage for business hours 8 to 5 with ADVOCAP paying for the expense. Scott Zabel presented two sketches of the proposed parking spaces.

Ald. Secora made a motion to postpone a decision to the Committee of the Whole June meeting so that Zabel can present a sketch of what the space will look like and the cost associated with it. Ald. Eastling seconded the motion which carried by voice vote.

Lindsey Kemnitz gave an update on 107 W Huron Street. Kemnitz is waiting on an updated inspection of the property but has not been able to get a hold of the owner. Atty. Chier stated that no further action is needed and that the City will be proceeding with the raze order.

Scott Zabel gave an update on the Spoons Bridge Project. Zabel reviewed that the contractors have been working on stripping the false work forms and grading the ditches and the road grade up to the bridge. The concrete approaches and sidewalks are scheduled to be poured the week of May 10, 2017. The black top paving is scheduled the week of May 22nd followed by paint striping on May 25th. The bridge is scheduled to be open for traffic on May 26th. The electrical contractor may be finishing up work on the navigation lights after the May 26th opening, with the final completion date is June 16th 2017.

Lindsey Kemnitz presented the need to update the Sign Code Ordinance and explained that technical advances in signs need to be reviewed to keep the Code from being dated. Kemnitz and Atty Chier will be working together to update the code ordinance. Ald. Erdmann made a motion to authorize Lindsey Kemnitz and Atty. Chier to work on a Sign Code Ordinance model to present to the Common Council. Ald. Harke seconded the motion which carried by voice vote.

Ald. Lehr moved to approve the Memorial Day parade permit and proposed route submitted by the Berlin VFW for May 29, 2017. Ald. Secora seconded the motion which carried by voice vote.

Tom Malchetske , All Saint's Parish representative, requested the Common Council grant a parade permit for the All Saints Eucharist Procession on June 25, 2017. Ald. Page moved to approve the parade permit and proposed route submitted by All Saints Parish for the All Saints Eucharist Procession on June 25, 2017. Ald. Erdmann seconded the motion which carried by voice vote.

Ald. Secora moved to approve the bartender license for Kathleen Ann Czuper. Ald. Harke seconded the motion which carried by voice vote.

There was no old business or new business.

Ald. Page moved to adjourn at 7:56 p.m. Ald. Secora seconded the motion which carried by voice vote.

Susan Thom Deputy Clerk