

MINUTES  
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2017  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BERLIN CITY HALL, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR

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

Under general comments, Daniel Hoppa, 235 S Wisconsin St, expressed his concern with people not stopping at the intersection of Broadway and North Washington Street and suggested possible additional signage. Hoppa suggested that the City of Berlin solicit for a possible VA facility in Berlin. Hoppa expressed that people are happy with the raze and repair orders that the city is issuing.

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 July 11 & 18, 2017 Common Council Meetings; 4) Accept the ETZA Plan Commission recommendation to approve and adopt the Certified Survey Map for Town of Berlin, Mascoutin Country Club, Inc. (Tax Parcel No. 002-00304-0800 & 002-00304-0000); 5) Approve the list of bills for payment. Ald. Erdmann made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Ald. Secora seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in five (5) ayes, zero (0) nays, and one (1) absent. Motion carried.

Shae Stangl, the new Berlin Chamber of Commerce Director, was introduced and welcomed by the Council.

Next was the update on 107 W Huron St. Faye Gelhar, owner of Hamilton's Ladies Apparel, 105 W Huron St. addressed her concern with the deterioration of the building. Gelhar was concerned over what will become of the space (too small for parking and there is no need for a walkway). Kemnitz explained the building went up for sheriff sale on July 18, 2017 and someone put a bid on the property. The sale will go before the court on August 14, 2017 at 1:30 pm to determine if it is a fair sale. The 30-day waiting period for the raze or repair order will end on August 17, 2017. Mayor Schramer proposed to have a letter sent to the new owner to set up a special meeting to see what their intent is if the sale goes thru.

Next on the agenda was the raze or repair order for 258/260 E Huron Street. Kemnitz explained that on July 25, 2017 an inspection of the property by the Building Inspector, Chief of Police, City Attorney, and Green Lake County Health Office was completed. The property has been posted and deemed unfit for human habitation. Kemnitz explained that on August 7, 2017 Glenn and Deborah Price purchase the property with a quit claim deed. Price explained that he received estimates up to \$10,000 to tear down the building and would prefer to repair the property and use them as rentals. Price has already started the cleanup process. Ald. Erdmann made a motion to postpone the raze or repair order for 30 days until the September Council meeting. Ald. Secora seconded the motion which carried by voice vote.

Ald. Erdmann moved to accept the Mayoral appointment of Glenn Ducharme to the Oakwood Cemetery Board for term expiring April 30, 2019. Ald. Page seconded the motion which carried by voice vote.

Ald. Page moved to grant the bartenders licenses for Jeannette Maria Surgeon, Jenna L Henke, Makayla Irene Trampf and Cindy L O’Kon. Ald. Secora seconded the motion which carried by voice vote.

There was no old business.

Ald. Erdmann extended on behalf of the Council to the Berlin Police Department, Green Lake County Sheriff department and Fireman at the National Night Out that they appreciated all the work that went into it. What a Great Event.

Ald. Page moved to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Ald. Secora seconded the motion which carried by voice vote.

*Susan Thom, Deputy Clerk*