

MINUTES
CITY OF BERLIN
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021 7:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BERLIN CITY HALL, 2ND FLOOR

Mayor Schramer called the April 13, 2021 Common Council meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Roll call present: Ald. Boeck, Bruessel, Erdmann, Lehr and Nigbor. Absent was Ald. Harke. Staff present: Lindsey Kemnitz, Atty Chier, Jodie Olson and Midge Seaman

There were no virtual attendees.

There were no public comments.

The Mayor stated when approving the consent agenda, item #12 on the consent Agenda would be removed and added to the first item on the regular agenda for an amendment to the lease agreement with Wetlands America Trust Inc. City Administrator Olson stated item #11 should read "the City Treasurer to Distribute excess increment to overlying taxing districts" it is not to take care of the debt because there is actually money in TIF #14. 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 March 9, 2021 Common Council meeting; 4) Accept the Committee of the Whole recommendation to accept the recommendation from Kunkel Engineering to award the 2021 Street & Utility Construction Contract to Don E Parker Excavating, Inc. for a total of \$3,580,392.65; 5) Accept the Plan Commission recommendation to approve Ordinance #04-21 Amending the Sign Code Relating to Multitenant Property Commercial Signs. 6) Accept the Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve and adopt Ordinance #05-21 Extension of Effective Period of Temporary Ordinance Authorizing issuance of Special Street Privilege Permits for Use of Sidewalks by Businesses; 7) Accept the Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve and adopt Ordinance #06-21 Second Extension of Effective Period of Temporary Ordinance #05-20 relating to Electronic or Virtual Attendance or Conducting of Meetings of Governing Bodies; 8). Accept the committee of the whole recommendation to approve and adopt Resolution #21-05 Terminating TIF District #14 and Authorizing the City Treasurer to Distribute Excess Increment to Overlying Taxing Districts; 09) Accept the Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve Resolution #21-06 Supporting a Strong State and Local Partnership where shared revenue funding funds critical municipal services; 10) Accept the Committee of the Whole recommendation to accept the CDBG-CV Grant award of \$162,430 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the Award Acceptance Acknowledgement and grant documents; 11) Accept the BCDC recommendation to approve the amendments to the city of Berlin Revolving Loan Fund Manual; 12) Approve the list of bills for payment. Erdmann made a motion to approve the Consent agenda as adjusted. Nigbor seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in six (5) ayes, zero (0) nays and one (1) absent. Motion carried.

The Mayor read item #12 which was added from the consent agenda. Kemnitz addressed the Council sharing the minor changes that were made to the lease agreement. Boeck made a motion to Accept the Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve the Lease Agreement with Wetlands American Trust Inc. with the changes Kemnitz had just discussed. Bruessel Seconded the motion which carried by voice vote.

Next item on the agenda was an Ordinance Creating and Regulating city of Berlin Wildlife Areas. Atty Chier gave a brief summary and Kemnitz spoke about parcel changes and addressed the Mayor's concerns from the previous meeting with the use of airboats and hover shuttles and how that would be interpreted. Lehr made a motion to accept the Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve Ordinance #07-21 Creating and Regulating city of Berlin Wildlife Areas. Bruessel seconded the motion which carried by voice vote.

Olson explained the requirement for the CBDG Grant is for the Mayor to read the Fair Housing Proclamation. The Mayor read the Fair Housing Proclamation.

There was no old business.

There was no new business

At 7:15 pm, Erdmann made a motion to convene into closed session pursuant to Sec 19.85 (1) (c), of the WI Statutes, to consider employment promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility (Discussion regarding City Administrator retention and/or recruitment). Boeck seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in six (5) ayes, zero (0) nays and one (1) absent. Motion carried. Nigbor made a motion to seat Olson. Bruessel seconded the motion, which carried by voice vote.

Discussion continued in closed session.

At 7:53 pm, Erdmann made a motion to reconvene into open session. Bruessel seconded the motion, which carried by voice vote.

No action was taken as a result of closed session discussion.

Nigbor moved to adjourn at 7:54 pm. Bruessel seconded the motion, which carried by voice vote.

Midge Seaman, Deputy Clerk