

City of Reedsburg Meeting of the Common Council September 22, 2014

Present: Mayor Dave Estes, Alderpersons Dave Knudsen, Jim Heuer, Phil Peterson, Calvin Craker, Brandt Werner, Megan Cowan, David Moon, Bill Finnegan.
Absent: Jason Schulte.
Others: Ken Witt, Jim Gerlach, Steve Zibell, Matt Scott, Chief Becker, Citizen, Press.

Mayor Estes called the regular session of the Common Council to order at 7:00pm in the Common Council Chambers.

Moved by Craker and seconded by Heuer to approve the consent agenda, consisting of minutes from the Council meeting held on September 8, 2014. Operator licenses for Anna Gunderson, Casey Koch, Angela Meinhardt. Applications for Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" retailer licenses by the Wormfarm Institute for Fermentation Fest from October 4-13, 2014 at City Hall, Blue Heron, Park Place Apartments, DJ Deitz Designs, Wormfarm Institute Gallery, Warehouse Row, Madison College – Reedsburg Campus. Application for Temporary Class "B" retailer license for Reedsburg Area Medical Center Foundation Extravaganza on November 8, 2014 at 2090 Ridgeview Drive and Application by Reedsburg Youth Wrestling for Sportsmans Night October 18, 2014 at Jaycee Building. Special Event Permit Application for Pre-School Pumpkin Dance Party on Saturday, October 25, 2014 from 10am till noon in City Park, with waiver of fee. Motion carried 8-0.

No comments during the public hearing on Ordinance 1795-14 setting speed limit on portion of Barbara Ann Drive at 35mph. Recently annexed road portion currently has a speed limit of 45mph. **Moved by Peterson and seconded by Finnegan to approve Ordinance 1795-14. Motion carried 8-0.**

Alder Cowan excused herself from discussion on the following topic and stepped down from the Council table. Residents on Jessica Lane expressed concern and presented a petition against 1810 Jessica Lane property for maintaining the property in a condition that offended the aesthetic character of the neighborhood. Yard maintenance, vehicles parked on the lawn, piles of debris along with the property owners attitude were the issues with the neighbors. **Moved by Heuer and seconded by Brandt to order per Municipal Code 11.13 that the no cars be parked on the lawn and that the debris in the driveway be cleaned up. Moved by Craker and seconded by Werner to amend the motion to include the removal from the lawn of a boat and require it to be located on an improved surface. Motion to amend carried 5-2 with Moon and Knudsen voting against the amendment. The original motion, as amended was approved 6-1, with Knudsen voting against the motion. Moved by Moon to have the Building Inspector Brian Duvall inspect the backyard and other portions of the property visible from other neighboring properties for piles of debris and to report back to the City Council. Motion carried 7-0.**

Moved by Werner and seconded by Craker to approve CSM combining 232 & 236 S. Pine Street. Motion carried 8-0.

Moved by Heuer and seconded by Knudsen to approve CSM combining 1011 N. Dewey Avenue and 1033 10th Court. Motion carried 8-0.

Moved by Craker and seconded by Finnegan to approve Resolution amending TIF #8 project plan for a base value redetermination. Motion carried 8-0.

Moved by Peterson and seconded by Craker to approve amended developers agreement with Knull Properties, LLC for assisted living and memory care building project on the south side of the City, including \$456,000 forgivable loan on the project. Motion carried 8-0.

Administrator Witt mentioned that all voters will need to present a valid ID at the next election in order to vote with the recent law changes. He also noted the City has received grants of \$978,148 this year, a very good year for grants.

Moved by Knudsen and seconded by Finnegan to go into closed session per section 19.85(1)(e), Wisconsin Statutes, to consider deliberation or negotiation of the purchasing of public properties. Motion carried 8-0 to go into closed session.

Closed session discussion occurred here.

Moved by Cowan and seconded by Finnegan to withdraw offer to purchase of 300 Vine Street. Motion carried 8-0.

Moved by Heuer and seconded by Werner to adjourn. Motion carried 8-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:39pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Witt
Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer