

# City of Reedsburg Meeting of the Common Council

## November 24, 2014

Present: Mayor Dave Estes, Alderpersons Dave Knudsen, Jim Heuer, Phil Peterson, Calvin Craker, Megan Cowan, Jason Schulte, David Moon, Bill Finnegan.  
Absent: Brandt Werner.  
Others: Ken Witt, Jim Gerlach, Steve Zibell, Brian Duvalle, Sue Kucher, Tim 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 Cowan and seconded by Craker to approve the consent agenda, consisting of Minutes from the Council meeting held on October 27, 2014; Approval of October bills; Mayor appointment of Norma Peters and Jim Wittenberger as poll workers; Mayor appointment of Katy Prange to Reedsburg Utility Commission to complete a citizen term ending October 2016, appointment of Jason Schulte to Reedsburg Utility Commission to replace Alder Phil Peterson, appointment of Phil Peterson to the Parks & Recreation Board to replace Alder Jason Schulte; Applications for Operators License for Madeline Ginther, Gerald Rego and Samantha Udelhoven. Motion carried 8-0.**

Public hearing was held on Ordinance 1796-14 amending industrial zone setbacks, garage sizes and parking requirement waivers. No public comments. **Moved by Heuer and seconded by Peterson to approve Ordinance 1796-14. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.**

Public hearing was held on the 2015 City of Reedsburg Budget. The city portion is up 4.8%, but the total tax rate will drop by \$0.41 per thousand dollars of assessed value. No public comments. **Moved by Heuer and seconded by Finnegan to approve Resolution 4216-14 adopting the 2015 budget setting the tax levy at \$5,528,934 upon all taxable property within the City of Reedsburg. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.**

Administrator Witt explained how paying two debt payments early in 2015 will save a combined \$131,000 in interest over the next 4 years. **Moved by Craker and seconded by Moon to approve Resolution 4217-14 authorizing the redemption of 2015 maturity of the City's General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2004A and the 2016-2019 maturities of the Community Development Authority's Taxable Community Development Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2000A. Motion carried 8-0.**

LED lighting project bids were very competitive. The payback period on the installation of LED lights on the exterior of municipal buildings is only about 4 years after factoring in the \$10,000 State Energy Office Grant. **Moved by Craker and seconded by Schulte to approve the lowest responsible bidder, Wiremen LLC of Wonewoc for \$15,766.00. Motion carried 8-0.**

**Moved by Heuer and seconded by Craker to adjourn. Motion carried 8-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:27pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Witt  
Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer