

Minutes of the Common Council Meeting of the City of Chetek held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, 220 Stout Street, Chetek, WI

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Jeff Martin.

Present: Jeff Martin, Earl Grover, Terry Hight, Mark Edwards

Absent: Scott Bachowski

Approve agenda - Motion by Hight, 2nd by Grover to approve with changes - moving item #7-building improvements to #2 and item #8-update on pilot program after item 5-well abandonment. Carried.

Mayor Martin announced a closed session later in meeting – Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session - discussion regarding housing loan administration contracts

Consent agenda - Council minutes from February, city claims from February, accept and place on file department/board reports as submitted: Police-February; Plan Commission-January; Library-February; Housing Authority-January; Chetek-Weyerhaeuser Scholarship Foundation request for use of beach pavilion and bandshell and request to close Lakeview Drive for Fishy Four event; Motion to approve - Edwards, 2nd by Grover. Carried.

Old business - public dock system at Stout Street access- Ziarnik's expressed their concerns with a dock system at the Stout Street access as they live next to the access. They are concerned with the traffic pattern, safety concerns with boats backing in front of their property with kids swimming in front of their frontage, the pathway from the lake is narrow. They feel the property lacks proper maintenance. They asked if the city had considered the beach or other areas. The mayor stated that the committee is looking at improving access for boaters to the downtown area. The beach would be too far away and would take away from the use of the beach for swimming. Hight advised that he read on the DNR site that there would be limit of two slips per 50 feet of shoreline. He advised that the committee needs to find out what the DNR will allow and figure out a layout that wouldn't infringe on Ziarnik's lake access.

New Business

Phase 1 report for 39 acre parcel on Knapp Street. Matt Taylor from Cedar Corporation answered questions regarding the report. His research did not expose any evidence of concern. There was no indication of any underground tanks, propane was used for heating. There was no indication that soil testing would be necessary. Grover advised that he was concerned about chemicals Jerome's used for disinfecting the turkey barns. Matt Taylor advised the cost for soil testing would be approximately \$4,000 to \$5,000. Council members will get a proposal for soil testing.

Building Improvements at police station - Ron Ambrozaitis presented proposals for installing a new heater in the garage, unisex bathroom, larger storage area, and a tankless water heater. Proposals for construction and plumbing were received: Schmidt Construction - \$17,300 including the plumbing (without the 5' tile option), BC Construction -\$7,250 plus \$7,133 for the plumbing proposal from T.L. Sinz Plumbing, Inc.; proposals for the garage heater and new tankless water heater: Fire & Ice Heating and Air Conditioning, Inc. for a 60,000 btu Reznor unit heater and IBC tankless water heater with gas piping - \$6,650.00; Hamholm HVAC for a 75,000 btu Modine heater and Navien NPE tankless water heater and gas piping - \$4,454.56. Motion by Hight, 2nd by Grover to accept proposals from BC Construction and Hamholm. Motion carried.

Pilot test for wastewater treatment plan- Dan Knapp advised that things were going well. The algae is growing and samples were taken with a third party company. There have been a few minor issues that they are working out. It was too early to provide actual data on the testing. He advised he should have more information for the next council meeting.

Ordinance 773A - amends the private well ordinance to meet the DNR requirements. Dan Knapp stated that private wells must be permitted according to DNR regulations. Private wells must be in compliance in order to be permitted. The well and pump installation shall comply with NR 812.42, Wisconsin Administrative Code,

inspections shall be conducted by a Wisconsin licensed well driller or pump installer and documented, water tests must be performed by a certified lab, water from private wells shall not discharge into a drain leading into the public sewer system unless properly metered and authorized by the sewer utility. Permits shall be granted for a period not to exceed five (5) years. Permit fees shall be \$250 for the 5-year period. Wells that do not meet compliance must be abandoned. The city will offer existing well owners a one-time option of installing a deduct meter and waive the \$188 fee for the meter if they choose to properly abandon their wells. Motion to approve by Hight, 2nd by Grover. Hight-yes, Grover-yes, Edwards-no. Carried.

Land division - Triple J of Chetek. No motion made - council members Hight and Grover expressed concern with duplexes in the area. The application proposed to change zoning to R3- multi-family residence to accommodate a duplex. Council members advised that neighbors were not in favor of having duplexes in that area.

Application to exceed pet limit - 1307 West Center Street - Mark Schumaker advised they have two dogs and are requesting one additional dog. The dogs are kept in the house, they are exercised daily. Motion to approve by Hight, 2nd by Edwards. Carried.

Hiring of part-time summer help - Motion by Grover, 2nd by Hight to advertise for part-time time help for public works at a rate of \$14.00 per hour. Carried.

Resolution 2020-4 - appropriating \$159,743.08 act150 library subsidy money received from Barron, Dunn, Rusk, and Chippewa counties. Motion to approve by Hight, 2nd by Edwards. Carried.

Motion to go into closed session by Edwards, 2nd by Hight. Carried.

Carmen Newman, clerk/treasurer