

Minutes of the City of Chetek Common Council Meeting held on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 - 6:00 p.m. in the council room, 220 Stout Street, Chetek, WI and virtual through Facebook.

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

Council members in attendance: Scott Bachowski, Earl Grover (via facebook), Terry Hight , Mark Edwards, Mayor Martin

Approve agenda - motion by Hight, 2nd by Edwards. carried.

Mayor Martin thanked Mark Edwards for serving as a council member for 8 years. Ward 4 will now be represented by Thea Hempel.

Announcement of closed session later in meeting – Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(g) Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved - discussion regarding health insurance claims issues from 2021.

CONSENT AGENDA - Bachowski motioned to approve March council minutes, March claims, Housing Authority January minutes, Plan Commission March minutes, Fire District March minutes; 2nd by Hight. carried.

Temporary premise description change/road closure: Fostbites, located at 214 Knapp Street, requested a premise description change for July 1st and 2nd and September 10th, 2022 to include the portion of Knapp Street between 2nd Street and 3rd Street for Liberty Fest and Harvest Fest events. Request to close the same portion of Knapp Street from 3:00 p.m. until 2:00 a.m. for July events and from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 midnight for Harvest Fest. Jon VanBeek spoke on behalf of Mary's Cafe regarding concerns of last year's events and the road being closed earlier than approved. Fencing and road closure plan to be submitted to the chief of police for approval seven days prior to the event. Hight motioned to approve, 2nd by Bachowski. Carried.

Sale of 110 Moore Street house: Jim Moran addressed the council with a request to make an offer to purchase the house. He and Pam Green have a real estate business and would like to remodel the house to accommodate their realty business.

Jim Moran was advised that the plan commission would need to make a recommendation on the sale of the house and that recommendation would come back to council for the May meeting. If approved, a notice to accept bids would be published. Motion to refer this matter to the plan commission by Hight, 2nd by Bachowski. Carried.

Parking lot on Knapp Street: council members discussed a proposed plan to create a new parking lot behind Ohde's Pharmacy on Moore Street. The lot was purchased several years ago with a plan to expand the Main Street park with the area to be used for community events and a public bathroom. The proposed plan shows approximately 28 parking spaces including two handicap parking spaces. The proposed plan includes paving, parking lines painted, vehicle stops, fencing on the east side, and a spot for a bathroom (at this time would only be a porta potty with a 3-sides structure built around it). Motion to approve the parking lot improvements by Hight, 2nd by Bachowski. Carried.

Request for donation: The Chetek Historical Society (museum) has requested an annual donation in the amount of \$1,000. Council members decided to refer this matter to the budget committee.

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

Motion to go into open session by Grover, 2nd by Hight, carried.

Motion to adjourn by Hight, 2nd by Bachowski. Carried.

Carmen Newman, clerk/treasurer