

**PLATTEVILLE COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
DECEMBER 9, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Platteville was called to order by Council President Eileen Nickels at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Dick Bonin, Barbara Daus, Mike Denn, Ken Kilian, Council President Eileen Nickels, Amy Seeboth-Wilson, and Barbara Stockhausen. Absent: None.

**CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion by Daus, second by Bonin to approve the consent calendar as follows: November 25, 2014 Regular Council Meeting Minutes; Payment of Bills in the amount of \$452,771.97; November Financial Report; Appointment of Melissa Duve to the Housing Authority (finish term of Deb Faherty) and Barbara Stockhausen as the City Representative Trustee as outlined in the Rollo Jamison Trust Agreement; Resolution 14-32 Authorizing the Senior Center to Submit a Grant Application to the Helen Bader Foundation; One-Year Operator License to Amanda M Parke and Deacon J Swenson; Two-Year Operator License to Katherine M Connell and Marilyn B Mead; and Taxi Driver Licenses to Gordon L Hellwig and Janice A Schmidt. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS AND PETITIONS, if any.**

Marilyn Gottschalk of 235 Virgin Avenue thanked the Council and staff for their hard work on the 2015 budget for the City of Platteville and for keeping funding for the Platteville Museums. She distributed information regarding the Christmas in the Country Series and other upcoming activities at the Museum.

Dick Bonin announced that he was not seeking re-election as Alderman At-Large and encouraged members of the public to consider running for his vacant seat. City Clerk Jan Martin stated that nomination papers were available in the Clerk's office and needed to be turned in no later than January 6, 2015 for the April 7, 2015 Spring Election.

**REPORTS**

- A. Committee Reports – Meeting reports were submitted by the Committee on Aging, Museum Board, Water & Sewer Commission, Plan Commission, and Freudenreich Animal Care Trust Fund Committee.
- B. Other Reports
  - 1) Airport Financial Report – November
  - 2) Water & Sewer Financial Report – November
  - 3) City Attorney Itemized Statement - November
  - 4) Department Progress Reports – Written progress reports of department operations and activities were submitted by City Attorney, Senior Center, EMS, Public Works, Museum, Director of Administration, and Community Planning & Development.

**ACTION**

- A. *Ordinance 14-17 – Annexation and Rezone: Platteville Municipal Airport* –Community Planning & Development Director Joe Carroll reviewed the request to annex the Platteville Municipal Airport that has been discussed at the last two Council meetings and Plan Commission meetings. Additional information requested by the Council at the last meeting was provided regarding the estimated difference in tax bill amounts (Township vs City) for the private hangar owners. Carroll also noted that the Plan Commission recommended approval of the annexation and rezone at their December 1 meeting. Daus added that the Airport Commission reaffirmed their support of the annexation and rezone at their December 8 meeting. Motion by Daus, second by Bonin to adopt

Ordinance 14-17 Creating Section 43.51 of the Municipal Code of the City of Platteville – Annexation of City owned property at 5157 South Highway 80 (Platteville Municipal Airport) and rezone to I-1 Institutional as presented. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

- B. *Ordinance 14-18 – Amending Section 2.01 Aldermanic District #3 and Election Ward Five Due to Annexation of Property* – City Clerk Jan Martin explained that the proposed ordinance amends the District #3 Aldermanic and Ward #5 description in Section 2.01 of the Municipal Code due to the annexation of the Kallembach property at 1536 County Hwy B. Motion by Daus, second by Bonin to adopt Ordinance 14-18 Amending Section 2.01 Aldermanic District #3 and Election Ward Five due to Annexation of Property as presented. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.
- C. *5 Year Fire Service Agreements* – Fire Chief Ryan Simmons asked the Council to table action on the fire service agreements pending clarification of contract payment verbiage. Motion by Denn, second by Daus to table action on approving the fire service agreements as requested by the Fire Chief. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

#### INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

- A. *Resolution Adopting the 2015 Fee Schedule* – City Manager Larry Bierke presented the proposed 2015 fee schedule noting that fee amount changes were highlighted in a separate column. Two revisions will be made for the next meeting – changing \$.25 to 25% in the cancellation policy for city facilities rental and including the township fire calls in the schedule. Action at next meeting.
- B. *Contract 6-14 – Taxi/Bus Service* – Director of Public Works Howard Crofoot explained that Staff received one proposal for the Shared Ride Taxi service, one proposal for the Fixed Route Bus service, and noted that the current Shared Ride Taxi provider declined to submit a proposal. The DOT regulated Evaluation Committee is in the process of reviewing both proposals to determine if they meet the criteria established in the RFP and will provide a final recommendation for the next meeting. Preliminary results show that the Shared Ride Taxi proposal (beginning on January 1, 2015) came in slightly higher than budgeted, the Fixed Route Bus contract (beginning May 16, 2015) came in slightly lower than budgeted, with the combination of the two resulting in a savings of \$1,500-\$1,600 over what was proposed in the budget. Denn expressed concern in going ahead with both services since there wasn't as much of a savings combining the taxi and shuttle bus service as he expected. Crofoot reminded him that the Council direction to him was to use the same amount of City matching dollars to increase the transportation services throughout the City. Daus questioned the operational schedule, method of fee collection, and the agreement with UW-Platteville. Crofoot responded that an agreement is being currently reviewed by the attorneys and a draft will be provided at the next meeting. Seeboth-Wilson added that the University is proposing a joint City/University committee in January/February to help refine and oversee the process of finalizing routes throughout the city, fares, methods of payment, etc. They will be reaching out to groups such as the Senior Center, elderly care facilities, and large employers for input. Action at next meeting.
- C. *Contract 14-14 – MPO Trail Paving and Lighting Engineering Proposal* – Public Works Director Howard Crofoot stated that a joint engineering services proposal from IIW/Delta Engineering was received for design of the Moving Platteville Outdoors (MPO) paving and lighting project. The City is proposing to pave and light approximately 3 miles of shared use bicycle and pedestrian trail along the Rountree Branch from Chestnut Street to the western terminus of the Platteville-Belmont trail, involving construction of one bridge and relocation of another bridge. The award of this contract will allow the design of the trail so that it can be bid for construction in 2015. Prior to the Council meeting, the PCA met to review the proposal and recommends award of the contract. Clarification was requested regarding \$2,500 budgeted for maintenance of trails – whether it was intended just for this trail or for all trails. Action at next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Daus, second by Bonin to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0 on roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Martin  
City Clerk