

**PLATTEVILLE COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**  
**AUGUST 11, 2015**

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: Barbara Daus, Mike Denn, Ken Kilian, Tom Nall, President Eileen Nickels, Amy Seeboth-Wilson, and Barbara Stockhausen. Absent: None.

**CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Motion** by Daus, second by Denn to approve the consent calendar as follows: July 28 Regular Council Meeting Minutes; Payment of Bills in the amount of \$1,044,661.89; "Class A" Beer & Liquor License to Janet A Cortez, Platteville, for premises at 1350 E Business Hwy 151 (Alexandra Mexican Store); Two-Year Operator License to Jorge L Huerta, Reginald Z Kamps, Blake A Meddaugh, Roger E Morse, and Brandon J Roesch; Parade Permit for Platteville Dairy Days on 9/12/15 (\$50 fee waived); and Petition for Grant County Highway Construction Aids as presented. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

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

David Nevins, on behalf of UW-Platteville, shared with the Council *Welcome Weekend 2015* (August 29-September 1) activities for UW students.

Arlene Siss, on behalf of The Stone Cottage, extended an invitation to the Grant County Historical Society *Music & Food at The Stone Cottage* on August 16 from Noon - 3:30 PM.

**REPORTS**

- A. Committee Reports – Meeting reports were submitted by the Plan Commission.
- B. Other Reports – Department Progress Reports – Written progress reports of department operations and activities were submitted by City Manager, Administration, Attorney, EMS, Public Works, Recreation, and Senior Center.

Public Works Director Howard Crofoot stated that the City currently has a contract with DTE Energy for removal of wood debris. After major storms, DTE would grind the debris and take it to the Cassville power plant to burn. They informed him that they will no longer be doing this due to the recent closing of the Cassville power plant. Staff is in the process of investigating alternatives and expect to bring forth a recommendation in mid-September so that the area can be cleared for snow storage.

Community Planning & Development Director Joe Carroll stated that the City received notification from WI Dept of Administration that the City is the recipient of a CDBG grant (up to \$500,000) to help with the former Pioneer Ford property redevelopment. He commended grant writer Angie Wright for her work in securing this grant.

**ACTION**

- A. *Contract 6-15 Moving Platteville Outdoors (MPO) Bridge* – Registered in favor of the contract were Gene and Jan Weber of 1285 Union Street and Tom Nelson of 605 Pyrite Road. **Motion** by Daus, second by Denn to award Contract 6-15 MPO Bridge, including Alternate A (to increase bridge rating to allow light vehicles to cross the bridge for maintenance purposes), to Rule Construction in the amount of \$180,938.45, subject to DNR approval as presented. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

- B. *Contract 7-15 Circle Drive Sewer Replacement & Keystone-Walmart Bike Path Projects* – Motion by Kilian, second by Stockhausen to award Contract 7-15 Circle Drive Sewer Replacement & Keystone/WalMart Bike Path Projects to Iowa-Grant Trucking Inc in the amount of \$137,432.00, subject to approval from UW-Platteville of the \$30,160.20 storm sewer projects. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.
- C. *Moving Platteville Outdoors (MPO) Request for Funding* – In response to the Council asking Staff to provide possible funding suggestions at the last meeting, Public Works Director Howard Crofoot presented possible 2015 & 2016 funding sources (up to \$135,000 each in TIF 5 and City Hall CIP accounts, and up to \$39,000 in Graham Fund). Speaking in favor of the request for funding were Gene Weber of 1285 Union St, Angie Wright of 910 Siemers St, and Ronald Weier of 1065 Walnut Dell Rd. Registered in favor included Kristopher Wright of 910 Siemers St, Katherine Burk of 605 Pitt St, Gloria Stuckey of 2352 Hwy 81, Jan Weber of 1285 Union St, and Tom Nelson of 605 Pyrite Rd. After much discussion, it was moved by Daus, second by Stockhausen to authorize \$85,000 (\$23,000 from the Graham Fund account and \$62,000 from the City Hall CIP account) and designate up to \$50,000 (from Park Impact Fees) to a contingency fund to the Moving Platteville Outdoors (MPO) Rountree Trail Project as requested. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote. The current MPO contingency fund of \$34,000 will be used before the additional \$50,000 and detailed reporting will be provided if used.
- D. *2016 Budget Schedule* – City Manager Karen Kurt provided revised dates for budget work sessions and requested that the October 13 Council meeting be changed due to the absence of the Council President and Pro-Tem. Motion by Seeboth-Wilson, second by Nall to change the October 13 Council meeting date to Monday, October 12 and schedule budget work sessions for August 13, September 29, October 20, and October 26. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.
- E. *Acceptance of Grant to Senior Center from Bader Philanthropies* – Senior Center Director Connie Steinhoff explained that the Senior Center was awarded a 1 year grant to fund a new arts and cultural engagement program and clarified that there will be no additional expense to the City to accept it. Motion by Daus, second by Kilian to accept a \$12,000 grant from Bader Philanthropies to be used to fund a new Arts & Cultural Engagement Program for Seniors (ACES) and authorize the City Manager to sign the contract documents. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.
- F. *Resolution 15-19 Addendum to Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) Agreement to Authorize Southwest Health Participation* –EMS Administrator Brian Allen explained that Platteville EMS is currently authorized to be part of MABAS, but with the transition/change to Southwest Health for EMS services, the current authorization will end and requested that the Council authorize Southwest Health to participate in MABAS as the EMS provider to the City of Platteville. Allen noted that the Towns belonging to the ambulance district have been asked to approve this as well. Motion by Denn, second by Kilian to adopt Resolution 15-19 Addendum to Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) Agreement to Authorize Southwest Health Participation as presented. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

#### INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

- A. *Disposition of Orlo J Clayton Irrevocable Trust Funds to Community Foundation of Southern Wisconsin Inc. (CFSW)* – Daus excused herself from discussion on this topic due to a conflict of interest with her employment at CFSW. Recreation Director Luke Peters reviewed that in May the City was notified of a donation of \$279,905.76 from the Orlo J Clayton Irrevocable Trust to be used in the Parks and Recreation Program for the maintenance and improvements of Smith Park and Legion Field. The Parks, Forestry and Recreation Committee and Staff recommend to place the money into an investment pool with CFSW and keep \$150,000 in a spendable account with the remainder of the funds to be kept in an endowed account. Action at next meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Seeboth-Wilson, second by Stockhausen to adjourn to closed session per 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 – *Library Block Project*. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote. The Council went into closed session at 8:40 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Stockhausen, second by Denn to reconvene to open session to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Martin, City Clerk