

**PLATTEVILLE COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
SEPTEMBER 8, 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, and Barbara Stockhausen. Absent: Amy Seeboth-Wilson (arrived at 7:02 PM)

CEREMONIAL SWEARING IN NEW POLICE OFFICER – DEVIN MALOTT

New Police Officer Devin Malott was sworn in by City Clerk Jan Martin.

CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Kilian, second by Daus to approve the consent calendar as follows: August 13 Special and August 25 Regular Council Meeting Minutes; Payment of Bills in the amount of \$1,218,128.09; August Financial Report, Appointment of L.D. Mueller to the Airport Commission (partial term expiring 11/1/16) and Janet Sudmeier to the Commission on Aging (3 year term); One-Year Operator License to Darian R Buman, Malysa A Helgeson, Zachary A King, Catherine J Rice, and Kyle C Rokusek; Two-Year Operator License to Ashely M Byykkonen, Carol A Hood, Jenna C Page, Benjamin L Schley, and Mariah E Umhoefer; Street Closing Permit to St Mary Parish for Parish Festival on September 27; Parade Permit to Platteville High School for Homecoming on September 18 and to UW-Platteville for Homecoming on October 10; Banner Permit for 2016 Platteville Dairy Days to be hung August 29-September 12, 2016; Resolution 15-21 Proclaiming October 2015 as United Nations Month; and Halloween Trick or Treat on October 31 from 4 PM – 9 PM as presented. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS AND PETITIONS, if any.

None.

REPORTS

- A. Committee Reports – Meeting reports were submitted by the Police & Fire Commission, Water & Sewer Commission, Museum Board, and Commission on Aging.
- B. Other Reports
 - 1. 2014 Single Audit Report – Kilian questioned the single audit report and requested to have the corrective action plan provided. Director of Administration Duane Borgen explained that this audit is required when receiving major federal and state grants.
 - 2. August Water & Sewer Financial Report
 - 3. August Airport Financial Report
 - 4. City Attorney Itemized Statement
 - 5. Department Progress Reports – Written progress reports of department operations and activities were submitted by City Manager, Administration, Attorney, EMS, Museum, Police, Library, and Public Works.

City Manager Karen Kurt requested to provide department progress reports for the Council monthly (versus each meeting) and add a brief weekly update via email. The consensus of the Council was to try it and see how it goes.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

- A. *Shared Ride Taxi Hours and Service Level* – Public Works Director Howard Crofoot explained that over the past 5 years there has been two taxi services in the City. Recently Platteville Cab Service has gone out of business and as a result, ridership and wait times have increased significantly.

Crofoot provided explanations of two options moving forward – do nothing or increase budget hours (approximately \$5,000). He will work with the Shared Ride Taxi Service contractor, Running, Inc., to provide data for the next meeting to support the anecdotal information from customers regarding excessive wait times. Possible action at next meeting.

- B. *Resolution Approving Platteville Main Street Inc. Wireless Project* – Platteville Main Street Executive Director Jack Luedtke requested City support and consideration for funding (\$6,000) for a downtown wireless network providing free wireless internet service outdoors to Main Street, City Park, and the Museum campus. Action at next meeting.
- C. *EMS – Trust Accounts Disposition* – EMS Administrator Brian Allen provided an overview of the recommendations for disposition of EMS trust accounts within the City with the impending transition of the department from a city-based ambulance service to a hospital-based ambulance department. Recommendations included closing accounts, transferring accounts to Southwest Health, Fire Dept, and Public Works, and holding a reserve account. With regard to the Beining Trust account in the amount of \$28,749.37, Seeboth-Wilson suggested to apply the funds toward the first annual payment to Southwest Health, rather than transferring the funds to Southwest Health. Action at next meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Daus, second by Denn to adjourn to closed session per Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(e) deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of the 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. Stockhausen left closed session at 9:55 PM. The Council reconvened to open session to adjourn at 10:25 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Nall, second by Seeboth-Wilson to adjourn. Motion carried 6-0 on a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Martin, City Clerk