

**PLATTEVILLE COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
OCTOBER 24, 2017**

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Barbara Daus, Don Francis, Ken Kilian, Tom Nall, Eileen Nickels, Barbara Stockhausen, and Katherine Westaby. Absent: None.

CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Daus, second by Kilian to approve the consent calendar as follows: October 10 Regular Council Minutes; Payment of Bills in the amount of \$250,122.24; Reappointment of William Kloster and Doug Du Plessis to the Airport Commission (2nd 3-year term); One-year Operator License to Tanya E Bonin and Autumn J Willenborg; and Two-year Operator License to Austin J Edmunds, Jacob J Nachtigal, and Tiffany J Tierney as presented. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS AND PETITIONS, if any.

None.

REPORTS

Board/Commission/Committee Reports – Meeting reports were submitted by the Redevelopment Authority Board (RDA), Zoning Board of Appeals, Historic Preservation Commission, Library Board, and Airport Commission.

ACTION

- A. *Proposed Alliant Energy Easement in Knollwood Park* – Alliant Energy is planning an upgrade to the substation at STH 80/81 and Pleasant Valley Road to supply 3 phase power to the City. Public Works Director Howard Crofoot explained that they could use the highway right-of-way, but because of the steepness of the bank, they would prefer a 10” wide easement directly adjacent to the state right-of-way along Knollwood Park. Alliant offered to pay \$7,500 for the easement (appraised at \$5,000), which would be placed in the Parks Endowment Fund, along with a \$7,500 match from the Beining Trust Fund. Both the Plan Commission and Parks Forestry & Recreation Committee recommended approval. Alliant Representative Dennis Stephenson provided additional clarification and answered questions regarding the placement of underground lines. Motion by Nall, second by Kilian to approve a 10” wide easement along the easterly boundary of Knollwood Park (Lot 78, Knollwood Subdivision) and STH 80/81 to Alliant Energy for \$7,500, with the \$7,500 being placed in the Parks Endowment Fund, along with a match from the Beining Trust Fund as recommended. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

- B. *Request Approval of City and Prosecutorial Attorney Contracts* – Administration Director Nicola Maurer reviewed that the City Attorney is retiring at the end of 2017. An Evaluation Committee was formed, request for proposals sent, four firms were interviewed, which resulted in recommendation for two firms. The two recommended contracts were provided in the packet. Maurer noted that there was an error in one of the contracts referencing a mayor that will be corrected. Motion by Daus, second by Nall to approve the City Attorney contract for Attorney William S Cole of Axley Brynelson LLP as presented and the Prosecutorial Attorney contract for Ben Wood of Wood Law Firm LLC with the change in the second sentence of Section 2. Term to read “This agreement shall renew for successive two-year terms as confirmed by a majority vote of the Common Council.” as discussed. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote. Kilian stated that he will meet with the City Manager regarding typos within the contracts.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

- A. *2017 Auditing Services Proposal* – Recommendation is to extend the current contract with Johnson & Block by one year for calendar year 2017 auditing services. It is the intent of Staff to request proposals for auditing services for the calendar years 2018, 2019, and 2020 during 2018. Action at next meeting.
- B. *Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Lot 43 of Platteville Industry Park #7* – Proposal is to sell a portion of Lot 43 in the Industry Park for the construction of a cold storage food warehouse (initially employing 10 people in a building with an estimated value of \$3.5 million) with a 5 year option on an additional 3.5 acres for future expansion, using the Land Price Formula. The legal document will be provided at the next meeting. Action at next meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Nall, second by Daus to adjourn to closed session per Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(c) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility – City Manager Evaluation. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Nall, second by Westaby to reconvene to open session to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Martin, City Clerk