PLATTEVILLE COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS MARCH 13, 2018

The special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Platteville was called to order by Council President Eileen Nickels at 6:00 PM in the Community Room of the Platteville Police Department.

ROLL CALL

Present: Tom Nall, Don Francis, Ken Kilian, Council President Eileen Nickels, and Barbara Stockhausen.

Excused: Barbara Daus Absent: None

WORK SESSION

Interview and Review Council Candidates – The Council met with Robin Cline and Debra Browning who both submitted letters of interest for the vacant position on the Council. Each Candidate was given approximately 15-25 minutes to speak to the Council about their interests and what they would bring to the Council position. After each interview, there was a period of questioning from the Council to the Candidate.

Robin Cline spoke on her experience with being a part of the Plan Committee and the Historical Preservation Commission. Ms. Cline highlighted her views on having the community be geared towards family involvement, open mindedness, volunteering, and having the experience with both the University and community involvement. She spoke on the house needs of Platteville, commenting on not enough affordable housing for young families, working towards a more well blended community, and using older homes for young families verses college rentals. Ms. Cline identified two personal challenges she may have would be knowing the policies of the City and understanding the budgeting. She indicated these were both things she could learn in time.

Debra Browning spoke on her experience with the Senior Center, activities with her church, and her career of teaching. Ms. Browning indicated she would like to see Platteville grow as it has not had much growth in the last 10 years. She talked about including surrounding communities, business owners, and inquiring how Madison develops when it pertains to the growth of the downtown and Main St area as well as the industrial park. She commented on the housing dilemmas of Platteville including absentee landlords, too many landlords renting to students, build more manufactured homes, grow businesses in town and housing will follow, and ideas to bring UW-P employees back to live in Platteville.

Due to time constraints, the discussion of the candidates was not talked about. This will be scheduled at a later date.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Stockhausen, second by Nall to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Candace Koch, City Clerk