

PLATTEVILLE COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
December 15, 2020

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Platteville was called to order by Council President Daus at 7:00 PM. Due to COVID-19 Pandemic, this meeting was conducted by digital means via Zoom.

ROLL CALL

Present: Barbara Daus, Ken Kilian, Isaac Shanley, Eileen Nickels, Kathy Kopp, Jason Artz and Robin Cline.

Absent: None

CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Kilian, second by Artz to approve the consent calendar as follows: Council Minutes – 11/24/20 Regular. Payment of Bills in the amount of \$823,466.76; Appointment to Boards and Commissions, Angie Donovan to Board of Appeals (Zoning) and Suraya Strobl to Parks, Forestry, and Recreation Committee; Two Year Operator License, Leah J Ostendorf, Brandon J Snyder, Brandy L Stetz, and Jodi L Wohert; Taxi Driver License, Devion D Vaassen; Taxi Vehicle License to Platteville Transit Taxi, 1250 E Business Hwy 151, Suite I, Platteville, WI for 2014 Dodge Caravan, License Plate MUN89064, 2017 Dodge Grand Caravan, License Plate MUN96470, 2017 Dodge Grand Caravan, License Plate MUN99702, 2019 Dodge Grand Caravan, License Plate C12827; Animal Establishment License, Private Kennel to Dan Winch, Bernese Buds at 345 Bayley Avenue. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS AND PETITIONS, if any.

City Manager, Adam Ruechel thanked the Chamber of Commerce for the Christmas lights display and the Platteville Museums for carriage rides around the downtown area.

REPORTS

- A. Sale Day Report – Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds Series 2020C
- B. Board/Commission/Committee Minutes – Museum Board, Police and Fire Commission, Public Transportation Committee, and Zoning Board of Appeal.
- C. Other Reports - Water & Sewer Financial Report – November, Airport Financial Report – November, and Department Progress Reports.

ACTION

- A. *Resolution 20-30 2021 Fee Schedule* – Motion by Nickels, second by Kopp to approve Resolution 20-30 2021 Fee Schedule. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.
- B. *Resolution 20-31 – Declaration of Emergency* – Motion by Kopp, second by Kilian to approve Resolution 20-31 – Declaration of Emergency. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.
- C. Solid Waste & Recycle Task Force – Motion by Kilian, second by Cline to approve as follows.
 - 1. Approve moving the Spring Clean-Up date from May to the week of April 12, 2021.
 - 2. Approve entering into a cooperative agreement with UW-Platteville for a “Spring Swap” to be held at a location and date to be determined. The SW&R TF to determine if a fee should be collected to defray the cost of disposal of items not traded or not donated to another agency.
 - 3. Approve Option 1, a multi-year contract with Faherty, Inc at the current rates of \$6.36 per household per month for solid waste and \$4.68 per household per month for recycling collection and disposal for calendar years 2021 and 2022 with CPI cost increases for 2023, 2024 and 2025. All other terms of the contract to remain the same.

4. Approve extending the SW&R TF to June 30, 2021 to plan and coordinate the spring swap and review data from the Spring Clean-Up.
Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

- A. Resolution 21-xx – Platteville Functional Classification of Streets – Public Works Director Howard Crofoot explained that the Functional Classification process determines which streets by traffic volume and land use are Interstate Highways, Principal Arterials, Minor Arterials, Collectors, and Local Roads. The DOT has a question regarding Milton Longhorn Drive. Under most criteria it is eligible to be a Minor Arterial, but it is a privately owned street, owned by UW-Platteville to be eligible, it would have to be dedicated as a public street or an easement be granted for highway purposes. UW-Platteville chose not to pursue an easement for this street. College Drive is recommended for classification as a Minor Arterial and Greenwood Avenue is recommended for classification as a Collector from Circle Drive to Milton Longhorn Drive. Staff recommends approving Resolution 21-xx, approval of updates to the Functional Classification of Streets in Platteville.
- B. *Conditional Use Permit – Communication Tower at 90 E Alden Avenue* – Community Development Director Joe Carroll explained that Tower North Development LLC is proposing to construct a wireless communication tower at the rear of the Wonder Wash property at 90 E. Alden Ave. This tower space will be leased to Verizon Wireless and will be a replacement for the antennas that are currently located on the City’s water tower. Staff recommends approval of the Conditional Use Permit to allow the communication tower as proposed.
- C. *Enterprise Fleet Management* – City Manager Adam Ruechel explained throughout 2020 staff have been in conversations with representatives from Enterprise Fleet Management regarding opportunities for leasing portions of our vehicle fleet. Staff have reached out to other municipalities that have a relationship with Enterprise Fleet Management and all indicated that it has been beneficial. If the City would decide to enter into an agreement with Enterprise, and later decide to cancel the agreement, there would be options regarding what would make the most fiscal sense. Staff explored a similar local option with Pioneer Ford, but it was indicated this would fall under a closed-end lease agreement of some sort.
- D. *Sidewalk Policy* – Community Development Director Joe Carroll presented a draft Sidewalk Policy that resulted from discussions with members of the Community Safe Routes Committee and Plan Commission related to the code requirements for sidewalks that are installed during development and redevelopment projects. There are two options. Option 1 is essentially the same draft policy that the Council reviewed and discussed at the last few meetings. Option 2 includes multiple changes based on the comments and suggestions provide by the Council members.
- E. *2021 City Goals Quarterly Report* – City Manager Adam Ruechel gave a short presentation of the draft City goals for 2021.
- F. *Inclusivity, Diversity, Equity Update* – City Manager Adam Ruechel presented an update as the City of Platteville continues to hold inclusivity conversations with the goal of developing an inclusivity plan. The Common Council is currently accepting applications from community members for the Taskforce for Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity (TIDE).
- G. *COVID-19 Municipal Update* – City Manager Adam Ruechel gave an update for the current status of COVID-19 responses within the City.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Nickels, second by Cline to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Candace Klaas, City Clerk