

CITY OF OCONOMOWOC
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
February 2, 2010

Mayor Sullivan called the regular Common Council meeting to order at 7:38 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Aldermen Kohlenberg, Miller, Schmitter, Morgan, Nold, Larsen, Antonneau and Cochrane (took her seat at 7:39 PM)

Staff Present: Mayor Sullivan, Gard, Beguhn, Gallo, Kitsembel, Duffy, Frye, Lamp, Bednarski, Froemming, Steinbach and Coenen

Others present: Atty. Chapman

Minutes of January 19, 2010: Motion by Antonneau to approve the minutes of the January 19th meeting as presented; second by Larsen. Motion carried 8-0.

Consent agenda:

- A. Licenses
- B. Ratification of Conveyance of Rights in Land for Parcels 1 and 2 (City Owned)
- C. Ratification of Temporary Construction Easement
- D. Ratification of Conveyance of Rights in Land for Electric Easements
- E. Ratification of Conveyance of Rights in Land for Sewer and Water

Motion by Cochrane to approve the Consent Agenda; second by Antonneau. Council asked for clarification on Item B. - Parcels 1 and 2. Duffy responded that the property is primarily on the east side of the bridge on W. Wisconsin Avenue and that the City holds easements in those locations. The ratifications are a WIDOT formality. Frye stated that the City needed to acquire property in order to widen out the road for the bridge. He proceeded to describe each conveyance and its location. Motion carried 8-0.

Committee Reports:

Public Services – Nold, chairman, Schmitter, Larsen, secy.

1. **Consider/act on Resolution Changing Street Names of Silver Lake Road and Golden Lake Road:** Larsen reported that due to the recent attachment of lands from the Town of Summit, the City needs to rename Silver Lake Road to South Silver Lake Street and Golden Lake Road to South Concord Road. Public Services Committee reviewed and recommend unanimously. Kohlenberg suggested that since the City is known for its lakes, Council may want to consider changing the street names to reflect the word “lake.” Motion by Larsen to adopt the resolution changing the street names of Silver Lake Road and Golden Lake Road; second by Nold. Motion carried 8-0.

Utility – Antonneau, chairman, Larsen, Nold, secy.

1. **Consider/act on Ordinance Amending Language Relating to Sewer and Water Connections and Service for Attached Town of Summit Properties – 1st Reading:** Nold reported that the City’s present sewer and water use ordinance requires all developed parcels to be connected. The lands that attached recently from the Town of Summit are all served by private septic and well. The language in the code is being amended to address when connection will be required, development of vacant land, connection requirements and deferment of cost. Utility Committee reviewed and recommend unanimously. Motion by Nold to give the ordinance its first reading; second by Larsen. Chapman read the ordinance into the record. Motion carried 8-0.

Unfinished Business:

1. **Consider/act on Ordinance to Zone and Amend the District Boundaries for the Town of Summit Attachment (152 Parcels) – 2nd Reading:** Motion by Antonneau to give the ordinance its second reading in title only; second by Cochrane. Chapman read the title into the record. Motion carried 8-0. Motion by Antonneau for the ordinance to become law; second by Cochrane. Motion carried 8-0.

New Business:

1. **Consider/act on Codification Ordinance – 1st Reading:** Sullivan reported that this is the semi-annual update of our municipal code which will incorporate all ordinances adopted from January 1, 2009 through June 30, 2009. Motion by Antonneau to give the ordinance its first reading; second by Cochrane. Chapman read the ordinance into the record. Motion carried 8-0.

Reports and Comments from the Aldermen:

- A. D. Nold – Discussion of Referendum – Nold started the discussion by stating he feels the question of building a new community center, improving the boat launch and expansion of City Beach should be put on a ballot as an advisory referendum in order to get an idea of what the residents are thinking and to also give them an opportunity to express their opinions in a private forum. He further stated he feels April is the best time to place the questions on a ballot because of our local elections. Council discussed putting three referendum questions on the February 16th agenda for Council action. They also discussed the timing to get referendum items on the ballot, the significance of these three projects to the community, what the questions should ask, if the actual cost of the projects with potential funding was known and how to go about getting these items on the Feb. 16th agenda for action. Sullivan stated that referendum questions must be submitted to the County 42 days before any election. Chapman stated the Mayor sets the agenda and Council could request he put it on or make a motion. Motion by Nold to put on the Feb. 16th Council agenda for discussion and vote on the three referendums for the community center, fixing the boat launch and expanding City Beach and Memorial Park; second by Morgan. Motion carried 6-2. Miller and Larsen voted no.

Reports and Comments from the Mayor:

- A. Passenger Train Service – Sullivan referred to a recent newspaper article on high speed rail service and the release of money from Washington DC. According to the article, there will be somewhere in the area of \$823M in funds available. Duffy reported that he had contacted the DOT to set up a meeting in reference to the proposal the City of Oconomowoc submitted in September 2009 for proposed rail sites. The DOT is looking at the end of February or early March to meet.

Motion by Cochrane to convene into Closed Session; second by Miller. Motion carried 8-0. Closed Session convened at 8:25 PM.

Closed Session:

Per Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(g) "Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved." (Notice of Circumstance – City Administrator)

Motion by Antonneau to adjourn the Common Council meeting; second by Cochrane. Motion carried 8-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Diane Coenen, City Clerk