January 27, 2015 City Council Minutes

JANUARY 27, 2015

The City of Owen Common Council met in regular session on Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall. Mayor Stephen Heggemeier presided and City Clerk/Treasurer Terri Ernst served as secretary. Present Alderpersons: Hanson, Tolzmann, Lulloff, Lorence, Pfeffer, and Kiviko. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order. Also present were: Tim Swiggum-CDA Director and Sergeant John Stubbe.

Minutes

A Tolzmann/Pfeffer motion and subsequent vote approved the minutes for the 1/13/15 meeting. Alderman Pfeffer reported that any newspaper reporting about a City Council meeting, should include only the information that occurred at that meeting. Pfeffer will not condone any other information or accusations not discussed at the meeting to be reported in their newspapers about the City Council meeting. Pfeffer asked the Council to approve that none of us are going to stand for false reporting of our Council meetings.

Public Present

Linda Wyeth-Sentinel & Rural News, Kelly Knight, Jackie Reinke, Sandy Deacon, Bonnie Matkovich, Pam Jaffke and Cindy Cardinal, O-W Enterprise. Jackie Reinke commended the public works department on all their hard work in making the ice skating rink on the Mill Pond this year. There have been record numbers of skaters using the rink. Jackie also inquired about the police door and where it is? Alderman Pfeffer responded we will find out tonight in closed session. Bonnie Matkovich inquired about open burning in the City. A recreational fire is ok if contained. Bonnie also inquired who to call when a street light is burned out. Clerk Ernst responded to call City Hall.

Conference

A Pfeffer/Kiviko motion and subsequent vote approved for Erik Stinson to attend the WRWA Annual Conference in March.

Seminar

A Lulloff/Pfeffer motion and subsequent vote approved for Erik Stinson to attend the Clark County Culvert Seminar.

Resol. #2014-12

A Lulloff/Tolzmann motion and subsequent vote approved Resolution #2014-12 amending the 2014 budget \$999.49 for the purchase of a garage computer.

Resol. #2015-1A

A Pfeffer/Kiviko motion and subsequent vote approved Resolution #2015-1A because of a revision to the Fund Balances retroactive as of 12/31/14 of \$160,281.78.

Resol. #2015-3

A Pfeffer/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved Resolution #2015-3 to amend the 2015 Budget \$34,755.00 for the purchase of a 2007 IH Truck.

New Squad Purchase

A Pfeffer/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved to purchase the 2015 Ford Explorer from Courtesy Ford in Thorp, WI. Squad reserves of \$27,029.93 are being used for the purchase of the vehicle and additional equipment.

CDA Report

Tim Swiggum reported that he has heard from Louks once in the last two weeks. On February 5th at the Old School the Downtown Revitalization Committee will be holding a meeting at 7 pm. The public is encouraged to attend and provide input to the committee and bring new ideas and constructive suggestions in trying to revitalize our downtown and other areas of the community. The discussion about the OMI building continues. The Woodland will probably sell in February. Brian Bredlau would like to attend the Planning Commission meeting on February 11th to show his building plans to the

Commission.

Credit Card

Clerk Ernst will proceed with applying for a City Credit Card. The application was delayed over concerns from the Mayor.

Disbursements

Questions were answered for Check numbers 22799, 22814 and 22816. A Pfeffer/Tolzmann motion and subsequent vote approved to pay the disbursements: City Pooled Check#22767-22825. City \$67,250.81, Water \$9,605.56, Sewer \$4,643.74, Taxes \$148,493.16.

Closed Session

Convened into Closed Session: A Lorence/Tolzmann motion and subsequent vote approved to convene into closed session at 6:01 pm. Roll Call Vote: Hanson-Yes, Tolzmann-Yes, Lulloff-Yes, Lorence-Yes, Pfeffer- Yes, Kiviko-Yes. Consideration of Directives issued to Andrew Schade-Chief of Police, under Wis. Stats; 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.

Reconvened into Open Session at 7:30 pm by a Lorence/Pfeffer motion and subsequent vote to take action, if any, on the matter discussed in Closed Session.

Action from Closed Session

Clerk Ernst reported the Council and Chief Schade discussed the Directives and all issues were resolved.

Adjourn

A Kiviko/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved to adjourn the 1/27/15 open session meeting at 7:33 p.m.

Stephen M. Heggemeier, Mayor Terri Ernst, City Clerk/Treasurer

(To be considered for Approval at the 2/10/2015 Council Meeting. Published 2/4/2015.)