

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE WAUSAU COMMON COUNCIL
held on Wednesday, June 10, 2015, at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall.
Mayor Tipple presiding.

Roll Call

06/10/2015 7:01:07 PM

Roll call indicated 9 members present.

<u>District</u>	<u>Aldersperson</u>	<u>Present</u>
1	Nagle, William P.	YES
2	Wagner, Romey	NV
3	Nutting, David E.	YES
4	Neal, Tom	YES
5	Gisselman, Gary	YES
6	Winters, Keene	YES
7	Rasmussen, Lisa	YES
8	Kellbach, Karen	YES
9	Oberbeck, David	YES
10	Abitz, Sherry	NV
11	Mielke, Robert	YES

Proclamation:

Mayor Tipple proclaimed **June 15, 2015** as **ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY** and encouraged all Wausau residents to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of Wausau's seniors.

Public Comment (pre-registered citizens for matters appearing on the agenda)

- 1) Greg Venne, 202 N 12th Ave, addressed Council regarding the budget modification for mowing grass within city parks, specifically the reservoir park in his neighborhood and expressed appreciation of the response of alderpersons and staff.

Communications & Committee Reports

Mayor Tipple pointed out the appointments to the vacancies in Finance Committee and ED Committee were in their packets.

Consent Agenda

06/10/2015 7:09:49 PM

Motion by Nutting, second by Rasmussen to adopt all items on the Consent Agenda as presented:

Oberbeck requested 15-0604 be removed from Consent. Winters requested 15-0614 be removed from Consent.

13-1116 Resolution of the Economic Development Committee approving lease agreement between the City of Wausau and CAG Industrial, Inc. for city property located in the area of 250 South 80th Avenue.

89-0925 Resolution of the Economic Development Committee approving waiver of right to repurchase property from Hydrite Chemical Company located at 7400 Highland Drive.

15-0410 Resolution of the Finance Committee supporting the Expansion of Bank Qualified Bonds. 99-1104 Resolution of the Finance Committee modifying the Procurement Policy.

15-0607 Ordinance of the Parking & Traffic Committee designating no parking on E. Kent Street from Curling Way to approximately 725 feet east of the centerline of Curling Way.

15-0615 Ordinance of the Plan Commission amending Sections 23.02.326.5 Microbrewery, 23.12.110 Size of parking spaces, 23.26.120, Size of parking spaces, 23.30.070 Signs, 23.34.030 Conditional uses, 23.38.100 Size of parking spaces, 23.40.030 Conditional uses, 23.58.010 Statutory authorization, and repealing Sections 23.02.326.5 Microbrewery and 23.12.055 Home satellite communication dishes and outdoor radio and television antennas and towers.

10-0209 Ordinance of the Plan Commission amending Sections 23.08.030, 23.58.060(b)(2), 23.58.060(c), 23.58.060(d)(1), 23.58.060(e), 23.58.060(g)(2), 23.58.080, 23.76.010, 23.76.020, 23.76.030, 23.80.010, 23.80.20, 23.86.010, 23.88.010, 23.88.020, 23.88.030 replacing "director of inspections and electrical systems" with "zoning administrator."

15-0612 Resolution of the Public Health & Safety Committee authorizing City participation in the Marathon County Restorative Justice Teen Traffic Violation Program.

15-0605 Resolution of the Public Health & Safety Committee urging the Wisconsin State Legislature to Enact Additional amendments to Chapter 125, Wisconsin Statutes to enable the Issuance of "Class C" Liquor Licenses to Painting Studios.

15-0108 Resolution of the Public Health & Safety Committee approving or denying various licenses as indicated.

Yes Votes: 9 No Votes: 0 Result: PASS

15-0604 06/10/2015 7:22:00 PM

Motion by Nutting, second by Rasmussen to adopt a Resolution of the Economic Development Committee adopting a new Economic Development Agreement Process ~~strategy and~~ guideline document, amended on council floor by striking the language "strategy and" from the resolution.

Oberbeck requested Community Development to provide a brief discussion of what is in the strategy and what they were looking to accomplish. Chris Schock explained the ED Committee has been discussing revising or clarifying the process for city investment and incentivitation. He indicated with the committee's guidance staff has drafted this proposed guideline or strategy document. He noted there is a concern that sometimes projects seem to move very quickly or come up at the last minute and our goal is to put a better methodology to that and make things clearer in the process.

Oberbeck stated this document appeared to be more of a process on how a developer achieves funding, but he was more interested in a strategy on creating development to create tax base outside of the TIDs that finances some of our operational costs. He questioned if there were some goals and budgets we can establish throughout this process. Schock indicated they welcomed continued discussion on how to improve the strategy, but this was the first step towards it.

Winters commented this was essentially a checklist on how to apply for a city grant and although he had no problem with them putting out a process, he did not think it should be brought as a resolution writing it into policy. He did not feel it was policy and didn't want to make it policy, reducing our flexibility with developers as they come. Rasmussen disagreed, stating in committee it seemed to be very important that we clarify our process as to what people can expect and have it approved moved forward as benchmarks for our performance internally and outwardly facing toward the development community. Winters felt the use of the word "strategy" was inappropriate because it was a process guideline. Tipple suggested they strike the words "strategy and" to move it forward.

Yes Votes: 9 No Votes: 0 Result: PASS

15-0614 06/10/2015 7:33:52 PM

Motion by Rasmussen, second by Neal to adopt Resolution of the Economic Development Committee issuing a consensus statement in support of the reinvigoration and redevelopment of the Wausau Center Mall facility.

Schock stated this consensus statement is the result of a continued process of discussion between the city and stakeholders. The city wants to be proactive and engage the mall owner and potential investors early on. He pointed out the mall is a successful mall, not a dead mall; however we are looking to reinvigorate it.

Yes Votes: 9 No Votes: 0 Result: PASS

15-0611 06/10/2015 7:35:01 PM

Motion by Gisselman, second by Neal to adopt a Joint Ordinance of the Capital Improvements & Street Maintenance Committee and the Plan Commission annexing territory from the Town of Wausau to the City of Wausau (Ashley Luczaj - 1707 Hamilton Street).

Yes Votes: 9 No Votes: 0 Result: PASS

15-0613 06/10/2015 7:35:49 PM

Motion by Nutting, second by Neal to adopt a Resolution of the Economic Development Committee initiating a design process for City owned parcels within the East Riverfront Planning Area (in the vicinity of Short St.) for new infill housing options (River East Brownstones) and accepting a grant from the Judd S. Alexander Foundation in the amount of \$13,500 to fund this process.

Yes Votes: 9 No Votes: 0 Result: PASS

15-0608 06/10/2015 7:38:33 PM

Motion by Rasmussen, second by Gisselman to adopt an Initial Resolution of the Finance Committee providing for the Sale of \$4,285,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes.

Winters indicated he was going to vote no on all three of the borrowing resolutions to put a marker on what has been happening. We chose to bond for \$12 million and go over the \$10 million bank qualified threshold, which means we will pay a half percent interest more on the entire borrowing than had we stayed within \$10 million. We are retiring \$8 million in debt, so our debt load is growing by \$4 million.

Groat clarified that we did not go over the \$10 million because we were required to issue taxable debt for some of the items that were related to private activity use.

Yes Votes: 8 No Votes: 1 Abstain: 0 Not Voting: 2 Result: PASS

<u>District</u>	<u>Aldersperson</u>	<u>Vote</u>
1	Nagle, William	YES
2	Wagner, Romey	NV
3	Nutting, David E.	YES
4	Neal, Tom	YES
5	Gisselman, Gary	YES
6	Winters, Keene	NO
7	Rasmussen, Lisa	YES
8	Kellbach, Karen	YES
9	Oberbeck, David	YES
10	Abitz, Sherry	YES
11	Mielke, Robert	YES

15-0609

06/10/2015 7:39:18 PM

Motion by Nutting, second by Mielke to adopt an Initial Resolution of the Finance Committee authorizing \$5,705,000 General Obligation Bonds for Community Development Projects in Tax Incremental District Nos. 3 and 10 and Swimming Pool Projects.

Yes Votes: 8 No Votes: 1 Abstain: 0 Not Voting: 2 Result: PASS

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3	Nutting, David E.	YES
4	Neal, Tom	YES
5	Gisselman, Gary	YES
6	Winters, Keene	NO
7	Rasmussen, Lisa	YES
8	Kellbach, Karen	YES
9	Oberbeck, David	YES
10	Abitz, Sherry	YES
11	Mielke, Robert	YES

15-0610

06/10/2015 7:40:24 PM

Motion by Rasmussen, second by Gisselman to adopt an initial resolution of the Finance Committee authorizing \$2,655,000 Taxable General Obligation Bonds for Community Development Projects.

Yes Votes: 8 No Votes: 1 Abstain: 0 Not Voting: 2 Result: PASS

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2	Wagner, Romey	NV
3	Nutting, David E.	YES
4	Neal, Tom	YES
5	Gisselman, Gary	YES
6	Winters, Keene	NO
7	Rasmussen, Lisa	YES
8	Kellbach, Karen	YES
9	Oberbeck, David	YES
10	Abitz, Sherry	YES
11	Mielke, Robert	YES

Suspend Rule 1(d)

06/10/2015 7:41:12 PM

Motion by Neal, second by Mielke to suspend Rule 1(D) Transmission of Committee Business to Council - (2/3 Vote required) for items with pending committee actions.

Yes Votes: 8 No Votes: 1 Abstain: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

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9	Oberbeck, David	YES
10	Abitz, Sherry	YES
11	Mielke, Robert	YES

15-0616

06/10/2015 7:41:48 PM

Motion by Mielke, second by Rasmussen to adopt a Resolution of the Finance Committee urging the Governor to veto budget language that changes room tax control.

Yes Votes: 9 No Votes: 0 Result: PASS

00-0808

06/10/2015 7:42:21 PM

Motion by Gisselman, second by Neal to adopt a Resolution of the Finance Committee approving Successor Trustee for Wausau Cemetery Association Perpetual Care Fund.

Yes Votes: 9 No Votes: 0 Result: PASS

03-1116

06/10/2015 7:43:04 PM

Motion by Oberbeck, second by Nagle to adopt a Resolution of the Plan Commission amending the general development plan and approving the precise implementation plan for 1801 and 1901 Westwood Center Boulevard to allow for a single multi-story healthcare facility in an existing Unified Development District.

Yes Votes: 9 No Votes: 0 Result: PASS

Mayor Tipple pulled file # 15-0606 Ordinance of the Public Health & Safety Committee Creating Section 8.08.05 Feral cat caregiver and TNR program requirements; and file # 92-0627 Ordinance of the Public Health & Safety Committee Amending Section 8.08.001 Definitions adding "Domesticated cat or dog" and amending "owner" from the agenda and indicated they would be brought back to the July 14th Council meeting.

14-1109

06/10/2015 7:45:29 PM

Motion by Rasmussen, second by Mielke to adopt a resolution of the Finance Committee approving reallocation of Capital Funds for the Fire Department for a radio replacement project.

Yes Votes: 9 No Votes: 0 Result: PASS

14-1109

06/10/2015 7:47:06 PM

Motion by Nutting, second by Mielke to adopt a Resolution of the Finance Committee approving the Budget Modification for Lawn Mowing within City Parks.

Nagle indicated some wording was added to the draft resolution in Finance Committee. The clerk read the line added to the fourth Whereas: "To respond to residents' concerns and return to previous mowing schedules subject to Parks Department discretion on transitional areas."

Yes Votes: 9 No Votes: 0 Result: PASS

Public Comment or Suggestions (for items that are not listed on the agenda.)

- 1) Patrick Herter, 601 S 39th Avenue, indicated he has been working with the Park & Rec Department to introduce the project that the community of the west side of Wausau is looking to build at Brockmeyer Park. He stated his family committed to build an all-inclusive playground in memory of their two year old son who died of a rare genetic disorder in February. It will be called JoJo's Jungle for which they hope to have the funds raised by 2017.
- 2) Steve Miller, 4006 Briarwood Avenue, thanked the Finance Committee, Mayor and the Council as a whole on behalf of the citizens for listening to them and restoring the park mowing.

Adjourned

06/10/2015 7:50:59 PM

Motion by Nutting, second by Neal to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

James E. Tipple, Mayor
Toni Rayala, City Clerk