

**CITY OF STEVENS POINT  
SPECIAL COMMON COUNCIL MEETING**

**Lincoln Center  
1519 Water Street**

**June 1, 2015  
7:00 P.M.**

**President Mike Phillips, Presiding**

**Roll Call:** Ald. Doxtator, Mrozek, Ryan, Oberstadt, Van Stippen, Slowinski, Kneebone, Patton McComb, Phillips, Morrow.

**Also Present:** Clerk Moe; C/T Ladick; Directors Schrader, Schatschneider; Brandi Makuski, Stevens Point City Times; Sari Lesk, Stevens Point Journal; Nate Enwald, Portage County Gazette.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Mike Phillips and recessed until after the Plan Commission meeting.

The Special Common Council meeting was reconvened at 7:14 p.m.

**Discussion and Possible Action on the Following:**

**2. Consideration of the Plan Commission recommendation of June 1, 2015 regarding the purchase of 225 West Cornell Avenue.**

Ald. Doxtator **moved**, Ald. Morrow seconded, to accept the recommendation from the Plan Commission of June 1, 2015 regarding the purchase of 225 West Cornell Avenue.

Ald. Slowinski stated there is no plan for this property and he did not feel comfortable buying it and would be voting against this recommendation.

Ald. McComb stated she has concerns about this as the rationale is vague. She is in favor of keeping the City's options open, but is not entirely comfortable with this recommendation.

Ald. Van Stippen asked if a stipulation could be placed on this recommendation that it come back before the Council to determine what happens with the property after the purchase.

Director Ostrowski stated any development on the site would have to come back to

the City Council. He stated that Habitat for Humanity is willing to divest ownership of the property.

Ald. Morrow stated this would be a good opportunity to purchase this property given that the City owns adjacent property in that area.

Ald. Mrozek stated purchasing this property is a good opportunity currently, but she expressed her concern for the long-term plans for the property.

Ald. Oberstadt asked if the City purchased the property and ultimately decided to re-sell it would the City have to take a loss.

Director Ostrowski stated the property could be resold as a residential lot, but probably not at the original purchase price.

Ald. Phillips stated he would be in favor of this purchase because it is adjacent to a park.

Cathy Dugan, 615 Sommers Street, stated the water table is very high in this area and would present building concerns. She said this concern could be mitigated with proper drainage and swales.

Call for the Vote:     Ayes: Majority.  
                              Nays: Minority. Motion adopted.

**3. Consideration of the Purchase of 225 West Cornell Avenue for a price not to exceed \$28,500.00, plus applicable closing costs.**

Ald. Patton **moved**, Ald. Doxtator seconded, to approve the purchase of 225 West Cornell Avenue for a price not to exceed \$28,500.00 plus applicable closing costs.

Call for the vote:     Ayes: Ald. Morrow, Phillips, McComb, Patton, Kneebone, Van Stippen, Oberstadt, Ryan, Mrozek, Doxtator.  
                              Nays: Ald. Slowinski. Motion adopted.

**4. Mayoral Appointments:**  
**Board of Public Works**  
**Personnel Committee**  
**Historical Preservation/Design Review Commission**  
**Affirmative Action/Fair Housing**  
**Board of Park Commissioners**  
**Airport Commission**

Ald. Slowinski **moved**, Ald. Van Stippen seconded, to approve the Mayoral appointments.

Call for the Vote:     Ayes: All.  
                              Nays: None. Motion adopted.

## **5. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.