

**CITY OF STEVENS POINT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Council Chambers
County-City Building
1516 Church St.**

**June 18, 2018
7:00 P.M.**

Mayor Mike Wiza, Presiding

PRESENT: Ald. Jennings, Shorr, Nebel (7:03 P.M.), Oberstadt, Johnson, Kneebone, Dugan, McComb, Phillips, Morrow.

EXCUSED: Ald. Slowinski.

OTHERS

PRESENT: Clerk Moe, Attorney Beveridge, C/T Ladick, Fire Chief Finn, Police Chief Skibba, Dir. Ostrowski, Dir. Lemke, Dir. Beduhn, Dir. Schrader, Asst. Pazdernik, HR Manager Jakusz, Deputy C/T Freeberg, Joe Bachman – Stevens Point City Times, Alan Hovorka – Stevens Point Journal, Logan Wenger - WSAU.

2. Salute to the Flag and Mayor's opening remarks.

Mayor Wiza said June 14th was Flag Day. He reminded residents about Riverfront Rendezvous and the 4th of July Parade. Mayor Wiza said the City Band performs every Wednesday night at Pfiffner Park and every Thursday night the Levitt Amp series has bands performing. He congratulated Community Media Manager John Quirk on 26 years with the City. He said on Wednesday, June 20 City Forrester Todd Ernster is going to be providing a guided tour of the Stevens Point Forestry Program.

3. *Persons who wish to address the Mayor and Council on specific agenda items other than a "Public Hearing" must register their request at this time. Those who wish to address the Common Council during a "Public Hearing" are not required to identify themselves until the "Public Hearing" is declared open by the Mayor.

Mayor Wiza reminded citizens to register at this time.

4. Persons who wish to address the Mayor and Council for up to three (3) minutes on a non-agenda item.

Roger Haokler, 1025 Park Street Apt. A, said he is concerned with the lack of economic development within the City and urged the Council to look into it. He said it bothers him that the City Police Department is not forensics trained, and said it should bother more people.

5. Presentation by Bray Architects regarding a new City Hall.

Nathan Schieve said Phase One is completed which includes program verification, conceptual design, and preliminary budget estimates. Mr. Schieve discussed the layout of the new building and how it would look from outside as well as inside. He said the Council Chambers, conference rooms, and City Treasure's and Clerk's offices are going to be on the first floor. Mr. Schieve said the public meeting rooms, Mayor's Office, HR Director, City Attorney, Community Development, and Engineering Departments will be on the second floor. He said the third floor

will include mechanical storage space, storage space, wellness/fitness area, breakroom and an outdoor roof area. Mr. Schieve said the outside of the building will be comprised of stone, wood (natural or wood look), metal, and glass. He said the total square footage of the building is 26,500. Mr. Schieve said the total estimated construction cost is \$6.7 million and the estimated soft costs are \$1.1 million for a total cost of \$7.8 million.

6. Presentation by Cindy Piotrowski, Director at ADRC: Cycling Without Age and the changes in the Nutrition Program.

Ms. Piotrowski thanked Ald. Jennings for all of her hard work and spear-heading the Cycling Without Age. She said there are currently three trishaws in the City and hopes to raise money to obtain two more. Ms. Piotrowski said any donations can go through the Community Foundation. She said the Cycling Without Age is about socialization and is not only for people with disabilities. Ms. Piotrowski said the ADRC is looking at getting another stove hood so they could cook their own food instead. She said this would allow for more variety in meals and the food would be as locally sourced as possible. Ms. Piotrowski said the meal program is for people ages 60 and older with a suggested donation of \$3.50. She said the Lincoln Center just put in two table beds and two raised beds to grow their own vegetables.

Consideration and Possible Action on the Following:

7. Consent Agenda:

- **Minutes of the Common Council meeting of May 21, and the Special Common Council meetings of May 15, and June 11, 2018.**
- **Actions of the Police and Fire Commission meeting of May 1, 2018.**
 - 6. EMS Mutual Aid Agreements for signature
 - 10. Confirmation of bills.
- **Actions of the Transportation Commission meeting of June 11, 2018.**
 - 2. Approval of the May 2018 financial/claims report.
- **Actions of the Plan Commission meeting of June 4, 2018.**
 - 4. Dedication of 1401 East Avenue (Parcel ID 281240832103401), formerly Emerson School, as a park
 - 6. Request from the Public Utilities Department for an easement to NET-LEC, LLC for the purpose of constructing utility improvements at 4400 Main Street (Parcel ID's 281240834120001, 281240834120002, & 281240834120003)
 - 7. City of Stevens Point acquisition of approximately 0.793 acres of land for the purpose of right-of-way at an unaddressed parcel east of Carrie Frost Drive and north of County Highway HH (Parcel ID 28123080130001)
 - 8. Comprehensive Plan Update – Chapter 10: Intergovernmental Cooperation
- **Minutes and actions of the Personnel Committee meeting of June 11, 2018.**
 - 1. Request to promote employee at the Central Transportation (Transit) Division, per City Administrative Policies 2.02 and 2.06.
- **Minutes and actions of the Board of Public Works meeting of June 11, 2018.**
- **Minutes and actions of the Public Protection Committee meeting of June 11, 2018.**
 - 2. License List.
 - 3. Request to Hold an Event/Street Closings.
- **Minutes and actions taken at the Finance Committee meeting of June 11, 2018.**
 - 1. Request for financing of artificial turf project at Zenoff Park.
 - 2. Request for mortgage financing-281 Washington Ave.
 - 3. Replacement of windows at the Portage County Library building, 1001 Main St.
 - 4. Replacement or removal of bollards on the south-side of the Portage County Library building.
 - 5. Consideration of bid for repairs to Edgewater Manor, and discussion of other options.

6. Approval of Claims Paid.

7A. Authorizing staff to move forward with the development at 111 Division St. N.

- **Statutory Monthly Financial Report of the Comptroller-Treasurer.**
- **Mayoral Appointments: Historical Preservation / Design Review Commission**

C/T Ladick said in regards to the Finance minutes the recommendation is intended for the Financing portion only, not Historic Preservation. He said the Historic Preservation Commission still needs provide their recommendation.

Craig Tesch, 1100 Frontenac Avenue, spoke against the Sidewalk Continuation Project. He suggested the City have more meetings in regards to this project and better communication with homeowners. Mr. Tesch said in the past the Sidewalk Continuation Project was discussed for safe routes to school. He said around Washington School there are a lot of streets without sidewalks and suggested putting sidewalks there instead of streets further away. He also provided multiple suggestions on how the cost of the sidewalks can be changed so not to burden the property owner.

Ald. McComb wanted to make a change to the May 21st Common Council minutes on page 14.

Ald. Johnson **moved**, Ald. Jennings seconded, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Ald. Kneebone said she has some concerns with the artificial turf in regards to health issues with the pellets as well as maintenance costs.

Ald. Phillips asked if the dedication of 1201 East Avenue as park land will come back to the Council.

Mayor Wiza replied no.

Ald. Phillips said the property is unique and the City has the ability to use part of the land as development to pay for the park. He said the park would be smaller but is a win-win situation. Ald. Phillips said the City will lose the opportunity to get \$4,400 a year in City taxes. He said other community parks have houses on the same block. Ald. Phillips said if any Alders are fiscally responsible they should re-look at this and develop part of the land to pay for the park.

Ald. Nebel reminded the Council that the majority of the taxes come from the 3rd and 5th Districts, and said there are no parks in the area for those Districts.

Mayor Wiza clarified saying the City is not losing \$4,400 a year in taxes, they are simply losing the opportunity to collect the taxes.

Call for the Vote: Ayes: Morrow, McComb, Dugan, Kneebone, Johnson, Oberstadt, Nebel, Shorr, Jennings.
Nays: Phillips. Motion adopted.

8. Resolution – Conditional Use Permit Amendment - Amend the site plan for the construction of apartments at 201 Wilshire Boulevard North.

Ald. Nebel said the development has shown there is good reason for the change and supports it.

Ald. Dugan asked if Dir. Ostrowski could explain the amendment.

Dir. Ostrowski said this pertains to the northeast corner of the site where a neighbor was requesting a fence be put up as a barrier between the new construction and their home. He said the homeowner sent him an email requesting a fence not be placed there as it would detract from the natural barrier. Dir. Ostrowski said the fence to the South will stay.

Ald. Morrow **moved**, Ald. Nebel seconded, to approve the resolution for a conditional use permit amendment to amend the site plan for the construction of apartments at 201 Wilshire Boulevard North.

Call for the Vote: Ayes: Jennings, Shorr, Nebel, Oberstadt, Johnson, Kneebone,
Dugan, McComb, Phillips, Morrow.
Nays: None. Motion adopted.

9. Ordinance Amendment - Official Street Map of the City of Stevens Point to rename Worth Court to Worth Drive, between E.M. Copps Drive and Clem's Way.

Ald. Johnson **moved**, Ald. McComb seconded, to approve the ordinance amendment, amending the official street map of the City of Stevens Point to rename Worth Court to Worth Drive, between E.M. Copps Drive and Clem's Way.

Call for the Vote: Ayes: Morrow, Phillips, McComb, Dugan, Kneebone, Johnson, Oberstadt,
Nebel, Shorr, Jennings.
Nays: None. Motion adopted.

10. Amendment to the development agreement between the City of Stevens Point and D-J Rice Development, LLC for a residential development at 525 Fourth Avenue.

Ald. Phillips **moved**, Ald. Morrow seconded, to approve the amendment to the development agreement between the City of Stevens Point and D-J Rice Development, LLC for a residential development at 525 Fourth Avenue.

Call for the Vote: Ayes: Jennings, Shorr, Nebel, Oberstadt, Johnson, Kneebone,
Dugan, McComb, Phillips, Morrow.
Nays: None. Motion adopted.

11. Authorize the expenditure of a nonrefundable option fee of not more than \$2,500.00 for the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Stevens Point to secure an option to purchase of properties in Tax Incremental Financing District #6 (Downtown).

Ald. Nebel **moved**, Ald. Jennings seconded, to authorize the expenditure of the nonrefundable option fee.

Call for the Vote: Ayes: Morrow, Phillips, McComb, Dugan, Kneebone, Johnson,

Oberstadt, Nebel, Shorr, Jennings.
Nays: None. Motion adopted.

12. Public Hearing – Special Assessment for portions of College Avenue, Soo Marie Avenue, Sims Avenue, Prais Street, Simonis Street, Frontenac Avenue, Jordan Lane, Minnesota Avenue and Lindbergh Avenue for the Installation of Sidewalk – Project #18-12.

Mayor Wiza declared the public hearing open.

As no one wished to speak, Mayor Wiza declared the public hearing closed.

13. Final Resolution on the above.

Ald. Shorr **moved**, Ald. Dugan seconded, to approve the final resolution for portions of College Avenue, Soo Marie Avenue, Sims Avenue, Prais Street, Simonis Street, Frontenac Avenue, Jordan Lane, Minnesota Avenue and Lindbergh Avenue for the installation of sidewalk project #18-12.

Call for the Vote: Ayes: Jennings, Shorr, Nebel, Oberstadt, Johnson, Kneebone,
Dugan, McComb, Morrow.
Nays: Phillips. Motion adopted.

14. Ordinance Amendment – Traffic – Mayoral authority to temporarily close streets (Creation of Section 9.18 of the RMC).

Ald. Oberstadt **moved**, Ald. Phillips seconded, to approve the ordinance amendment regarding traffic, regarding the Mayoral authority to temporarily close streets creation of Section 9.18 of the RMC.

Call for the Vote: Ayes: Morrow, Phillips, McComb, Dugan, Kneebone, Johnson, Oberstadt,
Nebel, Shorr, Jennings.
Nays: None. Motion adopted.

15. Adjournment.

Adjourned at 8:04 p.m.