

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Council Chambers  
County-City Building

May 17, 2010  
7:00 P.M.

### Mayor Andrew J. Halverson, presiding

Roll Call: Present: Ald. Mallison, Suomi, O'Meara, Wiza, M. Stroik, Slowinski, Trzebiatowski, Molski, R. Stroik, Brooks, Moore

Also Present: City Attorney Molepske, Clerk Moe, Comptroller-Treasurer Schlice, Directors Schrader, Halverson, Morrissey, Lemke; Fire Chief Zinda, Assessor Siebers, Personnel Manager Jakusz, Assistant to the Mayor Pazdernik, Kari Yenter, Gene Kemmeter (Portage County Gazette), Nick Paulson (Stevens Point Journal)

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

Mayor Halverson led the salute to the flag.

#### 3. Consideration of the minutes of the Common Council meeting of April 19, 2010, the Reorganization Council meeting of April 20, 2010, and the Special Common Council meeting of May 13, 2010.

Ald. R. Stroik moved, Ald. Moore seconded, approval of all three of the meetings.

Roll Call: Ayes all.  
Nays none. Motion carried.

#### 4. \*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.

Barb Jacob, 1616 Depot Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481:  
Item #5 – Persons who wish to address Mayor and Council

Reid Rocheleau, 408 Cedar Street, Whiting, WI:  
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Item #13 – Personnel Committee meeting of May 10, 2010 and Special Personnel meeting of May 17, 2010

Erik Schyvinck, 2501 Ellis Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481:

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Katie Kloth, 1556 Church Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481:

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Andy Barr, 833 Clark Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481:

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Justin Street, 924 Fourth Avenue, Stevens Point, WI 54481:

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Bridget Lee, 1619 College Avenue, Stevens Point, WI 54481:

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Thomas Haulfmann, 5316 Carols Lane, Stevens Point, WI 54481:

Item #11 – Resolution approving Project Plan and establishing the Boundaries for Creation of Tax Incremental District #8

Eric Hofmeister, 1935 Green Tree Road, Junction City, WI 54443:

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

Barb Jacob, 1616 Depot Street, questioned why the Council packet was not available on the web.

Mayor Halverson and TV/Web Site Manager Quirk responded that they are available on the City's web site.

Reid Rocheleau, 408 Cedar Street, voiced his concerns on who the Mayor is appointing to the committees. He said each alderperson should be on the same number of committees.

Erik Schyvinck, 2501 Ellis Street, would like answers to why their raised growing beds were removed from the Lullaby land.

Katie Kloth, 1556 Church Street, supports a city-wide referendum so everyone can vote on the land use for the Lullaby land.

Andy Barr, 833 Clark Street, stated a city-wide referendum is the only way to receive the entire City's voice.

Justin Street, 924 Fourth Avenue, is outraged with the bid from the developer and using TIF funds for the development of apartment units on the Lullaby land.

Bridget Lee, 1619 College Avenue, supports the efforts of the gardeners.

**6. Presentation by Poppy Princess Meridith Homann and Junior Poppy Princess Leah Szymkowiak.**

Meridith Homann recited "In Flanders Field" poem. Miss Homann noted that the poppy is a symbol of remembrance for those who shed blood and lost their lives for us.

Mayor Halverson thanked Miss Homann for her service.

**7. Presentation of the Sterling Tree City Award by City Forester Todd Ernster.**

Forester Ernster stated the City received its 29<sup>th</sup> Tree City USA award. He said the City must have a Tree Board, Tree Ordinance, Forestry program and an annual day observance in order to qualify for the award.

Mayor Halverson thanked the Parks Department for their efforts.

**8. Consideration of minutes and actions taken at the Plan Commission meeting of May 3, 2010.**

Ald. Moore moved, Ald. Trzebiatowski seconded, to accept the minutes and affirm the actions taken at the Plan Commission meeting of May 3, 2010.

Roll Call: Ayes all.  
Nays none. Motion carried.

**9. Public Hearing – Conditional Use – Request to Operate a Recycling Center at 2608D Water St.**

The public hearing was declared open by the Mayor.

Damon Kozicki, 3320 Yvonne Drive, said he is asking for a small expansion to his business to meet the needs of his customers.

Reid Rocheleau, 408 Cedar Street, voiced his concerns on outside storage and the collection of hazardous materials at the Recycling Center.

Barb Jacob, 1616 Depot Street, supports the request. She stated the business owners are only placing a dumpster outside which will be surrounded by a fence.

Matt Zacker, 920 First Avenue S., said the recycling center will continue to be a clean operation serving the citizens of the community.

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

#### **10. Consideration of Resolution on the above.**

Ald. O'Meara moved, Ald. Brooks seconded, to adopt the resolution.

Ald. Wiza noted the Portage County Transfer Facility only transfers garbage from the facility to the landfill. He said the Material Recovery Facility which is operated by Viola Environmental Services accepts recyclables.

Ald. Trzebiatowski noted that the City also accepts small amounts of scrap iron.

Ald. Brooks reiterated that he talked with the neighbors and they agree the business is run well.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Moore, Brooks, R. Stroik, Molski, Trzebiatowski, Slowinski, M. Stroik, Wiza, O'Meara, Suomi, Mallison.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.

#### **11. Consideration of Resolution Approving the Project Plan and Establishing the Boundaries for Creation of Tax Incremental District No. 8, City of Stevens Point, Wisconsin.**

Ald. Trzebiatowski moved, Ald. R. Stroik seconded, approval of the Resolution approving the Project Plan and establishing the boundaries for creation of Tax Incremental District No. 8.

Thomas Haulfmann, 5316 Carols Lane, supports Spectra Print's efforts; however, he is concerned about the cul-de-sac with future development.

Erik Hofmeister, 1935 Green Tree Road, stated this will create jobs and economic advancement. He said the business continues to expand. Mr. Hofmeister stated

the funds from this Tax Incremental District will help fund the improvements to Country Club Drive.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Suomi, O'Meara, Wiza, M. Stroik, Slowinski, Trzebiatowski, Molski, R. Stroik, Brooks, Moore.  
Nays: None. Ald. Mallison abstained. Motion carried.

Mayor Halverson noted that Ald. Mallison abstained due to an employer within the proposed district.

**12. Consideration of the minutes and actions taken at the Public Protection Committee meeting of May 10, 2010.**

Mayor Halverson said there was a minor change made to the route for the United Way's request and the change was already approved by the Police Department.

Ald. R. Stroik moved, Ald. Slowinski seconded, approval of the minutes and actions.

Roll Call: Ayes all.  
Nays none. Motion carried.

**13. Consideration of the minutes and actions taken at the Personnel Committee meeting of May 10, 2010 and the Special Personnel Committee meeting of May 17, 2010.**

Clerk Moe read the minutes of the Special Personnel Committee meeting of May 17, 2010.

Reid Rocheleau, 408 Cedar Street, voiced his concerns on the duplication of legal services for the City of Stevens Point. He said this is a waste of the taxpayers' money.

Ald. Molski moved, Ald. M. Stroik seconded, to accept the minutes of the two meetings and affirm the actions.

Ald. Mallison stated the position should be looked at before the next election for City Attorney.

Ald. Trzebiatowski noted that the minutes did not reflect that he was also present at the Personnel Committee meeting.

Roll Call: Ayes all.  
Nays none. Motion carried.

**14. Consideration of minutes and actions taken at the Finance Committee meeting of May 10, 2010.**

Ald. Molski moved, Ald. Moore seconded, to place the minutes on file and affirm the actions.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Moore, Brooks, R. Stroik, Molski, Trzebiatowski, Slowinski, M. Stroik, Wiza, O'Meara, Suomi, Mallison.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.

**15. Consideration of minutes and actions taken at the Board of Public Works meeting of May 10, 2010.**

Ald. O'Meara moved, Ald. Mallison seconded, to place the minutes on file and affirm the actions taken at the Board of Public Works meeting.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Mallison, Suomi, O'Meara, Wiza, M. Stroik, Slowinski, Trzebiatowski, Molski, R. Stroik, Brooks, Moore.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.

**16. Consideration and possible action on an Ordinance Amendment to Sect. 9.04 of the RMC - Change Franklin Street into a One-Way Street (westbound) between Division Street and Prentice Street.**

Ald. O'Meara moved, Ald. Moore seconded, to adopt the ordinance amendment.

Ald. Brooks stated no changes will be made to the YMCA parking lot until it is decided that Franklin Street will remain a one-way street.

Mayor Halverson said eventually the City will need an agreement with the YMCA regarding their driveway.

Ald. Suomi is concerned the one-way on Franklin Street will just shift traffic to Briggs Street creating a problem at that intersection.

Ald. Mallison responded once the southbound exit only is put into place then traffic will use it to go southbound on Division Street.

Ald. O'Meara would like to see this reconsidered in September.

Mayor Halverson wants to wait to get an accurate reading on the impact while the university is in session.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Moore, Brooks, R. Stroik, Molski, Trzebiatowski, Slowinski, M. Stroik, O'Meara, Mallison.  
Nays: Ald. Wiza, Suomi.  
Ayes – 9. Nays – 2. Motion carried.

**17. Consideration of minutes and actions taken at the Board of Water & Sewage Commissioners meeting of May 10, 2010.**

Ald. Slowinski moved, Ald. Moore seconded, approval of the minutes and actions taken at the Board of Water & Sewage Commissioners meeting of May 10, 2010.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Mallison, Suomi, O'Meara, Wiza, M. Stroik, Slowinski, Trzebiatowski, Molski, R. Stroik, Brooks, Moore.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.

**18. Consideration of minutes and actions taken at the Police and Fire Commission meeting of May 4, 2010.**

Ald. R. Stroik moved, Ald. Molski seconded, approval of the minutes and actions.

Roll Call: Ayes all.  
Nays none. Motion carried.

**19. Consideration of minutes and actions taken at the Transportation Commission meeting of May 12, 2010.**

Ald. M. Stroik moved, Ald. Moore seconded, approval of the minutes and actions.

Roll Call: Ayes all.  
Nays none. Motion carried.

**20. Consideration of the Statutory Monthly Financial Report of the Comptroller-Treasurer.**

Ald. Moore moved, Ald. Trzebiatowski seconded, to accept the report and place it on file.

Roll Call: Ayes all.  
Nays none. Motion carried.

**21. Mayoral Appointment:**

**Mike Morrissey as Director of Community Development (Expires 12/31/2010).**

Mayor Halverson stated that Mr. Morrissey has excelled in the position and he completed his probationary period.

Ald. Moore **moved**, Ald. Trzebiatowski seconded, approval of the appointment.

Ald. Brooks thanked Director Morrissey for doing a great job.

Roll Call: Ayes all.

Nays none. Motion carried.

**22. Adjournment.**

Adjournment at 8:12 p.m.