

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Council Chambers  
County-City Building

January 18, 2010  
7:00 P.M.

### Mayor Andrew J. Halverson, presiding

Roll Call: Present: Ald. Walther, O'Meara, Wiza, M. Stroik, Trzebiatowski, Molski,  
R. Stroik, Brooks, Moore  
Excused: Ald. Mallison and Slowinski  
Also  
Present: City Attorney Molepske, Clerk Moe, Comptroller-Treasurer  
Schlice, Directors Schrader, Halverson, Morrissey, Lemke; Police  
Chief Ruder, Adm. Director Morris, Assessor Siebers, Assistant to  
the Mayor Pazdernik, Kari Yenter, Gene Kemmeter (Portage  
County Gazette), Meredith Thorn (Stevens Point Journal)

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

Mayor Halverson announced his office has a new intern who will be working as a sustainability coordinator. In the future, the Mayor hopes to work with the county to establish an energy plan.

#### 3. Consideration of the minutes of the Regular Common Council meeting of December 21, 2009.

Ald. R. Stroik **moved**, Ald. Brooks seconded, approval of the regular Common Council minutes of December 21, 2009 and place them on file.

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.

Reid Rocheleau, 408 Cedar Street W., Whiting:  
Item #5 – Persons who wish to address Mayor and Council

Ald. Wiza, Fourth District:  
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Bob Woehr, 727 Second Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481:  
Item #7 – Transportation Commission meeting of January 7, 2010

Item #11 – Public Protection Committee meeting of January 11, 2010  
Item #18 – Mayoral Appointment

Carol Kuehn, 4701 Partridge Way, Stevens Point, WI 54481:  
Item #8 – Plan Commission meeting of January 4, 2010

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

Reid Rocheleau, 408 Cedar Street W., voiced his concerns on the amount the City pays its pollworkers and who the City has serving as the pollworkers.

Ald. Wiza stated the City is in the public comment phase of naming the Point Dog Park. He noted that anyone with comments should contact the City Clerk's office.

**6. Presentation of the Transportation Development Plan by Joe Kern (15 minutes).**

Ald. Walther stated every transit system is required to have their system reviewed by an outside consultant every five years.

Joe Kern of SRF Consulting gave a presentation on the needs assessment, management and staffing, equipment and facilities, financing, marketing information, and operations for the City's transit service. He said this sets the framework for how the City Transit can continue to modify and improve their local transit service.

**7. Consideration of minutes and actions taken at the Transportation Commission Meeting of January 7, 2010.**

Bob Woehr, 727 Second Street, commended Mr. Kern for his work. He recommended the City consider closing the Transit Development Advisory Committee.

Ald. Walther **moved**, Ald. M. Stroik seconded, to approve the minutes and affirm the actions taken at the Transportation Commission meeting of January 7, 2010.

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

**8. Consideration of minutes and actions taken at the Plan Commission meeting of January 4, 2010.**

Mayor Halverson announced the item regarding park land should be pulled and not acted on this evening.

Carol Kuehn, 4701 Partridge Way, opposes the sale of the park land. She said the sale of the park land will negatively affect her property. Earlier, Ms. Kuehn submitted a petition with a

majority of the residents in the subdivision against the sale of the park land. She continued to voice her concerns against the sale of the park land.

Ald. Wiza **moved**, Ald. Moore seconded, to approve the minutes and actions taken at the Plan Commission meeting of January 4, 2010, and pull and postpone action on item #3.

Ald. Wiza is disappointed the neighbors were not notified.

Ald. O'Meara voiced his concern on the fee structure for rezoning/zoning requests.

Mayor Halverson said the \$90 fee associated with zoning ordinance changes or conditional uses is for the necessary review to ensure things are in order.

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

**9. Public Hearing – Conditional Use – Request to Operate an Indoor Archery Range at 2124 Rice Street.**

The public hearing was declared open by the Mayor.

Jason Glisczynski, owner of the Player's Lounge, addressed the safety issues of archery. He said there is restricted access to the range and it will be monitored by staff at all times. Mr. Glisczynski said adding a fire exit along the eastside would create a hazard. He is available for any additional questions.

Barb Jacob, 1616 Depot Street, voiced her concerns on the location of the archery range, mixing alcohol and weapons, handicap accessibility and supervision of the archery area.

Bob Woehr, 727 Second Street, voiced his concerns on the storage area for the archery range. He recommended that the exit door be equipped with an audible alarm, no broad-head arrows within the building, setting a sunset date of June 30, 2010 and specify that the range is a Techno Hunt system.

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

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

Mayor Halverson reviewed the actions taken at the Public Protection Committee meeting and the conditions set by the Plan Commission. He questioned if there are any conditions that can be restrictive enough in terms of safety that could be levied on this particular premise. The Mayor does not like the idea of mixing alcoholic beverages with weapons.

Ald. Wiza asked Mr. Glisczynski to address the concerns raised by Ms. Jacob.

Jason Glisczynski said the only time the area is blocked is when that portion of the building is not in use. He said the only time alcohol is allowed in this area is when an approved special event is granted. Mr. Glisczynski said the building is handicapped accessible.

Ald. Wiza **moved**, Ald. O'Meara seconded, to approve the conditional use resolution with the following changes; in the first paragraph change indoor archery range to indoor electronic archery range, no broad-head arrow tips or hunting tips on the premises, the emergency exit be constructed with an audible alarm, the conditional use shall expire on June 30, 2010 and reviewed every 12 months, a closed-circuit security camera be installed within the facility and monitored via television screen at the bar area and change condition #4 from inside to adjacent to the north entry.

Ald. O'Meara stated the schools offer archery as a sport in physical education class. He said procedures need to be set to operate a safe facility.

Ald. Trzebiatowski asked what the rules are for having weapons near school property. He would like the hours of operation stated in the conditional use permit.

Chief Ruder replied the state statutes address weapons on school grounds. He said this is not school property so that is not a concern.

Ald. Wiza does not agree with regulating the hours of operation.

Ald. R. Stroik does not feel the sport of archery mixes well with alcohol. He also does not like the fact that there is no one-on-one supervision. The alderman is opposed to this request based on the fact that his job is to keep the residents of Stevens Point safe.

Ald. Wiza asked the Council to give the property owner the opportunity to try this.

Mayor Halverson does not have a lot of acceptance for mixing dangerous firearms with alcohol. He said setting conditions will not necessary ensure that they will be exercised. The Mayor said he still has extreme reservations in terms of the safety between dangerous weapons and alcohol.

Roll Call:     Ayes: Ald. M. Stroik, Wiza.  
                  Nays: Ald. Moore, Brooks, R. Stroik, Molski, Trzebiatowski, O'Meara, Walther.  
                  Ayes – 2. Nays – 7. Motion failed.

Mayor Halverson asked if any Council member would like to bring back the original resolution without any additional conditions applied to it.

As no one wished to make the motion, the Mayor moved on to the next item on the agenda.

**11. Consideration of the minutes and actions taken at the Public Protection Committee meeting of January 11, 2010.**

Ald. R. Stroik **moved**, Ald. Trzebiatowski seconded, approval of the minutes and actions taken at the Public Protection Committee meeting of January 11, 2010.

Bob Woehr, 727 Second Street, declined his opportunity to speak.

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

**12. Consideration of minutes and actions taken at the Finance Committee meeting of January 11, 2010.**

Ald. Moore **moved**, Ald. M. Stroik seconded, to place the minutes on file and affirm the actions taken at the Finance Committee meeting of January 11, 2010.

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

**13. Consideration of minutes and actions taken at the Board of Public Works meeting of January 11, 2010.**

Ald. Walther **moved**, Ald. Molski seconded, to approve the minutes and actions taken at the Board of Public Works meeting of January 11, 2010.

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

**14. Consideration of minutes and actions taken at the Special Board of Public Works meeting of January 18, 2010.**

Clerk Moe read the minutes of the Special Board of Public Works meeting of January 18, 2010.

Ald. Brooks **moved**, Ald. Trzebiatowski seconded, to place the minutes on file and affirm the actions taken at the Special Board of Public Works meeting of January 18, 2010.

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

**15. Consideration of minutes and actions taken at the Board of Park Commissioners meeting of January 6, 2010.**

Ald. Wiza **moved**, Ald. O'Meara seconded, approval of the minutes and actions taken at the Board of Park Commissioners meeting of January 6, 2010.

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

**16. Consideration of minutes and actions taken at the Board of Water & Sewage Commissioners meeting of January 11, 2010.**

Ald. Molski **moved**, Ald. Trzebiatowski seconded, approval of the minutes and actions taken at the Board of Water and Sewage Commissioners meeting of January 11, 2010.

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

**17. Consideration of minutes and actions taken at the Police and Fire Commission meeting of January 12, 2010.**

Ald. R. Stroik **moved**, Ald. Moore seconded, approval of the minutes.

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

**18. Mayoral Appointment: Sustainability Advisory Commission – Andrew Halverson, 3116 Jordan Ln. (Unexpired term of Heart, Exp. 11/16/10)**

Mayor Halverson reviewed the discussion that took place when the Sustainability Advisory Commission was first created. He noted that the motion at the time specified one of the five members be an alderperson. The Mayor said if there are no objections to the appointment, as he is a member of the Common Council, then we could still move forward with this appointment. He asked that the Council consider appointing him to the Commission.

Ald. Wiza asked if the Council is allowed to change a previous motion and was there a reason for an alderperson versus a member of the Common Council.

City Attorney Molepske replied yes, the Mayor can be appointed if there is no objection by the Council. He questioned the notification to the public of the appointment.

Ald. Wiza asked if there is anything pressing within the next 30 days.

Mayor Halverson said there is nothing pressing but he would like to get the Commission started up again.

Ald. Wiza **moved**, Ald. Moore seconded, to postpone action and review it again next month.

Ald. R. Stroik asked that the previous action be brought forward so it can be changed to include a member of the Council rather than alderperson.

Ald. Trzebiatowski said it was his impression that an alderperson and the Mayor would be on the Commission.

Mayor Halverson said the Commission consists of five members of which one member is to be an alderperson.

Ald. O'Meara is comfortable with having both the Mayor and an alderperson as members on the Commission.

Bob Woehr, 727 Second Street, asked if this is a commission or committee.

Mayor Halverson replied this is a commission.

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

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

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

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

**20.     Adjournment.**

Adjournment at 8:45 p.m.