

Meeting Minutes

Regular City Council Meeting

July 17, 2006, 7:00 P.M.

Council Chambers, County-City Building

Mayor Gary W. Wescott, presiding

Roll Call: Present: Ald. Sevenich, Walther, Hanson, Wiza, Robinson, Slowinski, Trzebiatowski, Molski, Stroik, Barber, Moore

Also Present: City Attorney Molepske, City Clerk Moe, Comptroller/Treasurer Schlice, Directors Gardner, Schrader, Halverson, Euclide; Police Chief Morris, Fire Chief Barnes, Transit Manager Lemke, Personnel Specialist Jakusz, Kari Yenter, Gene Kemmeter (Portage County Gazette), Heather Clark (Journal)

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25. Adjournment.

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

Mayor Wescott reported that the Annual Drinking Water Quality Report was impressive. Our water meets or exceeds the federal and state standards for quality and safety.

Mayor Wescott extended his sincere thanks to the family of John Wandrey for all of his service in this community.

Mayor Wescott stated that Mr. Ken Willett donated \$10,000 to the City of Stevens Point for playground equipment and planting of trees. The Mayor presented Karen Everman of the KASH playground group with the \$10,000 donation from the Willett family and \$10,000 from the City of Stevens Point.

Corrine Eberman of the KASH playground group is grateful and thankful for the donations.

3. Approval of the minutes of the Regular Common Council meeting of June 19, 2006 and Special Common Council meeting of June 26, 2006.

Ald. Moore moved, Ald. Slowinski seconded, for approval of the regular Common Council minutes of June 19, 2006 and Special Common Council minutes of June 26, 2006.

Ald. Barber questioned the motion taken on the deer culling issue.

City Attorney Molepske explained the procedure and that the second motion prevails.

Roll Call: Ayes all.

Nays none. Motion carried.

Mildred Neville, 1409 Franklin Street, questioned where the wording of the denied resolution for Vincent Court is recorded.

Mayor Wescott noted a copy of the denied resolution will be attached to the June Council minutes.

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.

Cathy Dugan Item #5 - Plan Commission meeting of July 10, 2006  
615 Sommers Street  
Stevens Point, WI 54481

Bill Scholfield Item #16 - Board of Public Works meeting of July 10, 2006  
Wausau, WI 54401

Bill Yudchitz Item #5 - Plan Commission meeting of July 10, 2006

1301 DuBay Avenue Item #12 - Ordinance - Annexation of 2.5 acres on west side of Stevens Point, WI 54481 Indiana Avenue N. north of Fourth Avenue.

Reid Rocheleau Item #24 - Persons who wish to address Mayor and Council  
408 Cedar Street  
Village of Whiting

5. Plan Commission meeting of July 10, 2006.

Ald. Robinson moved, Ald. Wiza seconded, for approval of the Plan Commission minutes of July 10, 2006, with item #9 pulled for further discussion.

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

Cathy Dugan is happy that access to the Schmeckle Reserve will be maintained and fewer homes are being developed; however, she is concerned with increased traffic.

Bill Yudchitz reiterated the plans for the development. Over seven acres will be donated for park land as well as improving the Green Circle Trail.

Ald. Moore moved, Ald. Wiza seconded, to accept and affirm the action of the Plan Commission.

Ald. Stroik commended Mr. Yudchitz for a plan well done.

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

6. Public hearing - Request to construct a porch in the front yard setback at 201 Fourth Avenue as a conditional use, was declared open by the Mayor.

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

7. Resolution on the above.

Ald. Wiza moved, Ald. Moore seconded, for adoption of the resolution to construct a porch in the front yard setback at 201 Fourth Avenue as a conditional use.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Moore, Barber, Stroik, Molski, Trzebiatowski, Slowinski, Robinson, Wiza, Hanson, Walther, Sevenich.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.

8. Public hearing - Request to extend a canopy at 3601 Main Street as a conditional use, was declared open by the Mayor.

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

9. Resolution on the above.

Ald. Molski moved, Ald. Stroik seconded, for adoption of the resolution extending a canopy at 3601 Main Street as a conditional use.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Sevenich, Walther, Hanson, Wiza, Robinson, Slowinski, Trzebiatowski, Molski, Stroik, Barber, Moore.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.

10. Public hearing - Request to construct Multiple Family Development as a conditional use - SE corner of Frederick Street N. and North Point Drive, was declared open by the Mayor.

Greg Bernas, 616 North Point Drive, would like to see more screening since there is only a 25' setback.

Ald. Wiza talked to the developer and they agreed to re-evaluate the screening.

Cathy Dugan, 615 Sommers Street, voiced her concerns relating to the proposed development.

Mildred Neville, 1409 Franklin Street, has concerns with the rear yard setback. Ms. Neville compared this development with the denied development on Vincent Court.

Reid Rocheleau urged the Council to reject this resolution.

Mary Vinopal stated the screening issue will be reviewed. The project will have eight units for physically disabled adults. The units will fit the neighborhood with plenty of green space.

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

11. Resolution on the above.

Ald. Hanson is concerned with the rear yard setback.

City Attorney Molepske stated the issue here is parking. The specific language relating to parking in this case is that a parking lot supersedes what a back yard is.

Director Gardner reviewed the setbacks for "R-4" zoning. The Director stated the setback for a parking lot is 10 feet.

Ald. Wiza said the rear yard and a parking lot are two separate issues. With this development, the parking lot requirements would apply.

Ald. Wiza moved, Ald. Robinson seconded, for adoption of the resolution to construct multiple family development as a conditional use - SE corner of Frederick Street N. and North Point Drive providing additional screening along the north edge of the parking area and at least double the screening on North Point Drive with 3' high Spruce or something very similar to that.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Moore, Barber, Stroik, Molski, Trzebiatowski, Slowinski, Robinson, Wiza, Hanson, Walther, Sevenich.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.

12. Ordinance - Annexation - 2.5 acres on west side of Indiana Avenue N. north of Fourth Avenue.

Ald. Moore moved, Ald. Slowinski seconded, for adoption of the ordinance.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Sevenich, Walther, Hanson, Wiza, Robinson, Slowinski, Trzebiatowski, Molski, Stroik, Barber, Moore.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.

13. Public Protection Committee meeting of July 10, 2006.

Ald. Sevenich moved, Ald. Trzebiatowski seconded, for approval of the Public Protection Committee minutes of July 10, 2006.

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

14. Special Public Protection Committee meeting of July 17, 2006.

Ald. Sevenich moved, Ald. Wiza seconded, for approval of the Special Public Protection Committee minutes of July 17, 2006.

Clerk Moe read the minutes of the Special Public Protection Committee meeting of July 17, 2006.

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

15. Personnel Committee meeting of July 10, 2006.

Ald. Moore moved, Ald. Wiza seconded, for approval of the Personnel Committee minutes of July 10, 2006.

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

16. Board of Public Works meeting of July 10, 2006.

Ald. Walther moved, Ald. Trzebiatowski seconded, for approval of the Board of Public Works minutes of July 10, 2006.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Moore, Barber, Stroik, Molski, Trzebiatowski, Slowinski, Robinson, Wiza, Hanson, Walther, Sevenich.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.

17. Special Board of Public Works meeting of July 17, 2006.

Clerk Moe read the minutes of the Special Board of Public Works meeting of July 17, 2006.

Ald. Stroik moved, Ald. Wiza seconded, for approval of the Special Board of Public Works minutes of July 17, 2006.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Sevenich, Walther, Hanson, Wiza, Robinson, Slowinski, Trzebiatowski, Molski, Stroik, Barber, Moore.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.

18. Finance Committee meeting of July 10, 2006.

Ald. Molski moved, Ald. Walther seconded, for approval of the Finance Committee minutes of July 10, 2006.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Sevenich, Walther, Hanson, Wiza, Robinson, Slowinski, Trzebiatowski, Molski, Stroik, Barber, Moore.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.

19. Resolution - Application for State Trust Fund Loan.

Ald. Molski moved, Ald. Moore seconded, for approval of the application for State Trust Fund Loan.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Moore, Barber, Stroik, Molski, Trzebiatowski, Slowinski, Robinson, Wiza, Hanson, Walther, Sevenich.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.

20. Special Finance Committee meeting of July 17, 2006.

Ald. Moore moved, Ald. Stroik seconded, for approval of the Special Finance Committee minutes of July 17, 2006.

Clerk Moe read the minutes of the Special Finance Committee meeting of July 17, 2006.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Sevenich, Walther, Hanson, Wiza, Robinson, Slowinski, Trzebiatowski, Molski, Stroik, Barber, Moore.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.

21. Developer Agreement - Executive Place.

Ald. Molski moved, Ald. Stroik seconded, for approval of the Developer Agreement - Executive Place.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ald. Moore, Barber, Stroik, Molski, Trzebiatowski, Slowinski, Robinson, Wiza, Hanson, Walther, Sevenich.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.

22. Board of Water and Sewage Commissioners meeting of July 10, 2006.

Ald. Stroik moved, Ald. Wiza seconded, for approval of the Board of Water and Sewage Commissioners minutes of July 10, 2006.

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

23. Reports:

Police and Fire Commission meeting of July 11, 2006.

Statutory monthly financial report of the Comptroller-Treasurer.

Ald. Wiza moved, Ald. Moore seconded, to accept the reports and place them on file.

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

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

Reid Rocheleau voiced his concerns on the height of the underpass on Church Street.

25. Adjournment - 8:20 P.M.

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