

COMMON COUNCIL
1/9/2017

The Common Council of the City of Park Falls met in regular session in the council chambers of the Park Falls city hall at 5:00 PM on Monday, January 9, 2017. Mayor Thomas Ratzlaff called the meeting to order and the following members were present:

Mayor:	Thomas Ratzlaff
Aldermen:	Brad Dehmlow Chris Hoffman David Dryer Michael Mader Dennis Wartgow Ron Hogue Anthony Thier Ronald Schoch
City Attorney:	Scott Reinhard - Excused

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the previous Council meeting of 12/12/16 were approved as presented.

Alderman Schoch presented the Personnel Committee report.

Alderman Wartgow presented the Finance Committee report. Moved by Alderman Wartgow and seconded by Alderman Hogue to pay the bills in the amount of \$421,219.56. Motion carried, 8-0.

Alderman Thier presented the minutes of the 1/4/17 BPW meeting. Moved by Alderman Thier and seconded by Alderman Mader to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried, 8-0. The pre-qualification process for 2nd Avenue Area/Downtown construction bids was presented. Moved by Alderman Mader and seconded by Alderman Schoch to approve the Bidder Prequalification Questionnaire as presented and to appoint Water & Street Superintendent Hilgart to review the Bidder Prequalification Questionnaires and determine which contractors are eligible to bid the 2nd Avenue Area/Downtown project. Motion carried, 8-0.

Alderman Mader presented the Public Services report. A liquor license application for the RStore was presented. Moved by Alderman Wartgow and seconded by Alderman Mader to grant the license. Motion carried, 8-0. An update on the property at 784 4th Avenue South was presented by Chief Straetz.

Mayor Ratzlaff informed the Council that he would attend Representative Beth Meyers inauguration. He also noted that he would attend the League Advisory Committee meeting in Madison on 1/26/17. He will also meet with legislators on 1/26/17 regarding the disputed DOT invoice for unsatisfactory subgrade on the STH 13 reconstruction project.

Clerk-Treasurer Homann presented her report.

Police Chief Straetz presented his report.

Street and Water Superintendent Hilgart presented his report.

In public comment, Harley Sampson, Sr. informed the Council that the north side of the basement wall at 577 7th Avenue South has collapsed and he has noticed insulation and pieces of plywood on the basement walls. Also, Jim Whittinghill from Eagle Waste and Recycling addressed the Council regarding trash and recycling collection services they offer in our area.

The meeting adjourned at 5:27 PM.

Arla J. Homann
Clerk-Treasurer