

COMMON COUNCIL
4/22/2019

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, April 22, 2019. Mayor Michael Bablick called the meeting to order and the following members were present:

Mayor:	Michael Bablick
Aldermen:	Chris Hoffman Richard Scharp Michael Mader Dennis Wartgow James Corbett - Excused Anthony Thier Dina Bukachek
City Attorney:	Bryce Schoenborn

The minutes of the previous Council meeting of 3/11/19 were presented. Moved by Alder Mader and seconded by Alder Hoffman to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

In public comment, Josh Englund asked about the banking bid process, Dina Bukachek asked about guard rails on the Hwy 182 bridge and mentioned that trash is accumulating on 1st Street North between the post office and Park Theatre, and Michael Mader thanked everyone who contributed to the athletic field bleacher fundraiser.

Mayor Bablick appointed the 2019 committees. Moved by Alder Wartgow and seconded by Alder Mader to confirm the mayor's appointments. Motion carried.

Alder Wartgow nominated Michael Mader for council president. There being no other nominations, it was moved by Alder Wartgow and seconded by Alder Bukachek to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Michael Mader. Motion carried.

Moved by Alder Mader and seconded by Alderman Thier to designate the *Price County Review* as the city's official newspaper. Motion carried.

Moved by Alder Wartgow and seconded by Alder Thier to appoint Scott Hilgart as City Forester and Weed Commissioner. Motion carried.

Alder Wartgow presented the minutes of the 3/20/19 Personnel Committee meeting. Moved by Alder Wartgow and seconded by Alder Mader to accept the Personnel Committee's recommendation to hire the following full-time student summer employees at the Park Falls Community Pool for the 2019 season: Ashley Casey, Michelle Hecimovich, Jamie Wohlleben,

Annalee Wallow, and Olivia Ocker; and to employ the following applicants on a casual part-time, as-needed basis only: Mallori Zoesch, Joseph Balsavich, Shea Mineau, Marissa Niehoff, Jeanna Scanlon, Kiana Schmidt, William Graf, Kennedy Kielpikowski, Lilian Korpi D'Amico, Grayson Kief, Kristina Peterson, Sophia Wells, David Graf, Thomas Mineau, Eve Folstad, Alison Smith, and Ian Oswald. Motion carried. Moved by Alder Wartgow and seconded by Alder Mader to designate Michelle Hecimovich and Jamie Wohlleben as head guards at the Park Falls Community Pool for the 2019 season. Motion carried. Moved by Alder Wartgow and seconded by Alder Thier to accept the Personnel Committee's recommendation to hire the following students for the 2019 summer city crew: Samuel Belanger, Madilyn Brunner, Miah Schmidt, Maggie Miller, and Robert Smith. Motion carried.

Mayor Bablick presented the Finance Committee payment approval report. Moved by Alder Wartgow and seconded by Alder Bukachek to pay the bills in the amount of \$471,806.89. Motion carried, 6-0.

Alder Thier presented the minutes of the 4/8/19 BPW meeting. Moved by Alder Thier and seconded by Alder Mader to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried. Moved by Alder Mader and seconded by Alder Bukachek to approve Items A – I from the 4/8/19 BPW agenda. Motion carried. Moved by Alder Mader and seconded by Alder Wartgow to approve street closing requests 1, 3, and 4 from the 4/8/19 BPW agenda. Motion carried. The following Chamber of Commerce street closing request was presented: closing 2nd Ave. N. from 1st St. N. to Division St. and Division St. from the alley east of the Park Mall west to the RR tracks for the Arts & Crafts Fair – Sat., Aug. 3 from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM. This request includes making said alley two directional for the day. Following discussion, the Chamber of Commerce was asked to bring a new street closing request to the BPW for the Flambeau Rama Arts & Crafts Fair. Moved by Alder Mader and seconded by Alder Thier to postpone the airport timber sale and have a forester assist the city with this sale. Motion carried.

Alder Mader presented the Public Services Committee report. A Class A combination liquor and fermented malt beverage license application from Family Dollar Stores of Wisconsin, LLC was presented. Moved by Alder Thier and seconded by Alder Mader to approve the license. Motion carried.

Mayor Bablick presented the city administrator / clerk hiring process. Moved by Alder Wartgow and seconded by Alder Mader to contract with Public Administration Associates, LLC to hire an interim administrator. Motion carried. Mayor Bablick appointed the following members to the 2019 Board of Review: Michael Bablick, Arla Homann, Dennis Wartgow, Michael Mader, and James Corbett. Moved by Alder Thier and seconded by Alder Bukachek to confirm the mayor's appointments. Motion carried. Mayor Bablick appointed Fred Lenzen and David Dryer to the Plan Commission. Moved by Alder Mader and seconded by Alder Wartgow to confirm the mayor's appointment. Motion carried. Mayor Bablick appointed Marcia LaLonde and Michael Mader to the Park Falls Municipal Library Board. Moved by Alder Wartgow and seconded by Alder Thier to confirm the mayor's appointment. Motion carried.

City Attorney Schoenborn described the procedure to fill the 1st District Alder vacancy.

The summer pool season and pool director position was discussed. Moved by Alder Mader and seconded by Alder Wartgow to advertise for the position of lifeguard manager at the Park Falls community pool. Motion carried.

City Attorney Schoenborn informed the Council that a certified survey map of the recently dedicated portion of 1st Avenue South has been recorded.

Clerk-Treasurer Homann presented her report.

Police Sergeant Ernst presented a summary of enforcement actions taken regarding speeding on 1st Ave. North. and 9th St. North. He also reported on arrests resulting from a recent search warrant, and informed the Council that his department will conduct a citywide spring cleanup inspection of properties to enforce removal of construction debris, junk vehicles, and garbage from yards.

Water and Street Superintendent Hilgart presented information on the necessity of an upgrade or replacement of the City's water and sewer SCADA system.

The meeting adjourned at 6:32 PM.

Arla J. Homann
Clerk-Treasurer