

CITY OF BARRON, WI
MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, August 12, 2019, 6:45 P.M.
CITY HALL, 1456 EAST LASALLE AVENUE, BARRON, WI 54812

1. Call to order

Mayor Ron Fladten called a special meeting of the City of Barron Common Council to order at 6:45 p.m. on Monday, August 12, 2019, pursuant to due notice. Roll call: Councilpersons Rod Nordby, Mike Dietrich, Peter Olson, Paul Solie and Mo Tollman were present. Absent: Kevin Haller. A quorum was confirmed. Also present were Mayor Ron Fladten, Administrator Liz Jacobson, City Clerk-Treasurer Kelli Rasmussen, Scott Martin, Teresa Anderson, Heidi Hong-Olson and Ray Parr.

Consider request for a Motion to approve that the August 2019 regular City Council meeting be held on Monday, August 12, 2019.

Motion by Olson, second by Tollman that the August 2019 regular City Council meeting be held on Monday, August 12, 2019. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Fladten began the meeting with a prayer. All present joined to salute the flag.

2. Public Comments

None

Motion by Dietrich, second by Tollman to moved Item 4 ahead of Item 3 for discussion.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

4. Appearance by Heidi Hong-Olson, Barron Public Library, regarding Library Board updates

Heidi Hong-Olson reported to the council on several items at the library:

- Block party to be held on Friday, August 16th
- Two employees have tendered resignations, the Board of Trustees will begin the hiring process
- The Board will be attending continuing education this week in order to stay current on the duties of their position

3. Appearance by Teresa Anderson, MSA Professional Services, Inc.

a. Update on status of LaSalle Avenue project

The LaSalle Avenue CDBG application was unsuccessful. MSA VP Scott Martin addressed the board to explain the rejection, MSA has prepared two potential options for alternate funding and project schedules.

b. Update on Water Tower Project

The WDNR has released the preliminary scores for SDW program, the water tower project should receive \$500,000 for Principal Forgiveness

Construction staking for the water main and tower location are completed. The start date has been postponed due to AIS-compliant materials not arriving on time.

1. Change Order 1: Act on recommendation from Utility Commission

Motion by Olson, second by Dietrich to approve Change Order #1 resulting in a decrease of \$12,000. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

2. Application for Payment #2: Act on recommendation from Utility

Commission-

Motion by Nordby, second by Olson to approve Pay Request #2 in the amount of \$137,750.
Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

c. Update on Anderson Park Drainage Project

MSA presented a letter to the contractor on June 5 regarding the status of the project.

Still not meeting the requirements, additional contact with the contractor will take place.

5. Consideration of approval of Claims and Bills

Motion by Nordby, second by Dietrich, to approve the Claims and Bills as presented. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Olson, second by Solie to move Item 7 ahead of Item 6. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

7. Discussion and consideration of application for Operator's License to serve received from Janine Cowle.

Motion by Olson, second by Nordby to approve the Operator's License to serve for Janine Cowle for period ending June 30, 2020. Motion failed by unanimous voice vote, all in attendance voting nay.

6. Consent Agenda:

- a. Reading and Approval of Minutes from the July 9, 2019 Regular Council Meeting
- b. Approval of Operator's License to Serve for the period ending June 30, 2010 for:
Alexander Cos, Sophia Kieler, Logan Boucher, Kyle Cutting, Logan Johnson, Samantha Larson, Becky Diekman, Melissa Waterhouse, Denise Peterson, Mathew Blaeser, Rylee Hanson, Gregory Roth, Victoria Yates, Christy Nelson, Ariel Voldberg, Emalie Kaiser, Anastasia Mikunda, Carl Mueller
- c. Approval of Class A Beer and Class A Liquor License for Applegreen Midwest LLC, d/b/a Holiday #6, located at 530 East Division Avenue for period ending June 30, 2020
- d. Consideration of Sign Location Lease #7845 between the City of Barron and Lamar Central Outdoor LLC, lease term October 7, 2019 to October 6, 2024
- e. Consideration of approval to allow KJ's Fresh Market to have live music in their parking lot on August 2, 2019 from 6-8 PM
- f. Consideration of approval for Street Department to purchase 78" Industrial Fork Grapple

Motion Carried by Roll Call Vote, all in attendance voting aye.

8. Administrator and Committee Reports

- a. FEMA binders were submitted to County for FEMA auditors scheduled for fieldwork review during the week. Working on DNR Catastrophic Storm Grant as well.
- b. Branding Project is on track, with high involvement numbers at last week's farmers market to gauge public's opinion of three slogan choices.

c. Housing Study – City of Barron results presented at public forum on August 1st.
County wide wrap up scheduled for 9/16/19 at Rice Lake Town Hall.

9. The Common Council may convene in closed session proceedings under Wis. Stat. §19.85(1)(c) to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. This pertains to the hiring process for the Chief of Police

Motion by Nordby, second by Olson to convene in closed session as outlined. Motion carried by Roll Call Vote, all in attendance voting Aye.

Motion by Olson, second by Nordby to reconvene in open session to announce action taken, if any. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Nordby, second by Tollman to approve the mayor's appointed members to be the Hiring Committee for the Chief of Police replacement. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Olson, second by Dietrich to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted by
Kelli Rasmussen, City Clerk-Treasurer