

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

10:50P.M.

February 27, 2001

Present: Mayor Gatzke, Aldermen Bullermann, Wysocki, Patzer, Scheuble, Wilkens, Chiovero, and Kaminski. Also present were City Attorney Paul Reilly, City Clerk Judy Weter, Director of Community Development Greg Kessler, Director of Planning Mark Lake, City Engineer Jeff Chase, and Associate Planner Nikki Jones.

UTILITY & FINANCE

Claims

Motion by Alderman Wysocki to recommend to Council approval of payment of Sewer Utility Claims in the amount of \$16,020.18, Water Utility Claims in the amount of \$125,691.85, and Bi-weekly Claims in the amount of \$566,719.61, all of which represents payments to vendors. Seconded by Alderman Chiovero and carried unanimously.

DEFERRED ITEMS

Payment of Claim to Ruekert & Mielke

Motion by Alderman Bullermann to recommend to Council approval of payment of the Bi-weekly claim in the amount of \$12,239.44, which represents payment to Ruekert & Mielke. Seconded by Alderman Bullermann and carried unanimously.

Council Rule 14 Amendment - Public Hearings

Motion by Alderman Bullermann to recommend to Council to revise Common Council Rule 14 as follows: (note: changes are line stricken and replaced with bold italic text)

Public Hearings may be scheduled for an evening which is agreeable to the majority of the Council and the following procedures shall apply:

- A. ~~Persons desiring to comment at public hearing are encouraged to sign in on a sign up sheet provided for that purpose.~~
- A. ***Sign up sheets will be available prior to and during the hearing. Each person attending is encouraged to register his or her opinion if desired, desire to speak, and additional comments on the registration sheet. The mayor or chair will use these sheets to call persons to speak.***
 - 1. Presentations shall be limited to the public hearing purpose.
 - 2. Presentation shall not deal in personalities or personal attacks on members of the Council or City employees.
 - 3. Presentations are not to be designed for purposes of engaging others in a debate in this forum.
 - 4. No Council member may address the council during the hearing.
 - 5. In the interest of avoiding repetitive testimony, the chairperson may want to encourage persons with the same viewpoint to appoint a spokesperson.
 - 6. Written testimony will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. ~~two business days~~ ***one business day*** prior to the public hearing in lieu of verbal testimony at the hearing itself.
 - 7. ***Comments are to be limited to ONE three minute presentation per person. The same person may speak one additional 3 minute duration after the last person speaks.***
 - 8. ***The format for hearings will be staff presentation, petitioner comments, public comments in***

favor of, comments opposed to and Council questions.

9. ***Public Hearings are limited to 4 hours in length.***

Seconded by Alderman Patzer.

Friendly amendment to strike Item A and modify #8 to still allow comments or questions neither in favor of nor opposed to.

Motion by Alderman Wilkens amend the motion and add Item 10 to read as follows: "Anyone desiring to make a formal presentation and thus be allowed to speak beyond the 3 minutes as identified in Item 7 should make a formal request in advance of their presentation to Council to be approved by majority vote." Seconded by Alderman Bullermann and carried with Alderman Kaminski voting "no".

Motion by Alderman Patzer to amend the motion to remove the last sentence in Item 7 and add, "This limitation does not apply to questions for the purpose of clarification.". Seconded by Alderman Kaminski and carried with Aldermen Wysocki and Scheuble voting "no".

Motion by Alderman Scheuble to allow any resident present to yield their 3 minutes to some other spokesperson. Seconded by Alderman Wilkens. Upon voting, the motion failed with Aldermen Scheuble voting "yes".

Upon voting on the motion as amended, the motion carried with Alderman Scheuble voting "no".

Motion by Alderman Bullermann to adjourn the meeting at 11:18 p.m. Seconded by Alderman Wysocki and carried unanimously.

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