

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
OF THE
CITY OF KEWAUNEE COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 13, 2014**

Present: Mayor Blaha, Aldermen Kostka, Vollenweider, LuMaye, Kunkel, Gilbertson, Griffith, D. Kickbusch, Christman

Absent: None

Others: Administrator Kranz, Public Works Director Petersen, Police Chief Salentine, Fire Chief Hlinak, Jim Kleiman, City Attorney Wolske, Ehlers Representative Jon Cameron, Ayres Associates Pete Kolaszewski, Paul Mertens, David Waters, J.T. Pelt

Mayor Blaha called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. whereas the Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by prayer and meditation.

The Council received the Finance Committee minutes of December 9, 2013.

D. Kickbusch moved and Christman seconded to approve the December 2013 Accounts Payables in the amount of \$133,515.41. Upon a roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

The Council received the Joint Review Board minutes of December 11, 2013.

The Council received the Plan Commission minutes of November 13 and December 11, 2013.

The Council received the Public Property Committee minutes of December 9, 2013.

The Council received the Personnel Committee minutes of December 19, 2013.

Kunkel moved and Vollenweider seconded to approve the 2014 DPW Employees Agreement effective January 1, 2014 which provides for a base wage increase of 1%. Upon a roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

D. Kickbusch moved and Kostka seconded to raise the Assistant Marina Manager wages from \$13.74 per hour to \$14.00 per hour recognizing the work that Mike Krieger has been doing. Upon a roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Kunkel moved and Gilbertson seconded to approve the 2014 Non-Union Employee Salary/Wage Schedule which provides for a 1% increase. Upon a roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

D. Kickbusch moved and Christman seconded to approve the December 9, 2013 Regular Council Meeting minutes as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

Vollenweider moved and Kostka seconded to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 1018-14, RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE PROJECT PLAN OF TAX INCREMENT DISTRICT NO. 2, CITY OF KEWAUNEE, WISCONSIN. Motion carried unanimously.

Under public comment, J.T. Pelt commended the Council to begin meeting jointly with the City of Algoma to discuss common concerns and jointly resolving issues.

David Watters commented to the Council that he would be interested in the redevelopment of the Hamachek property.

Alderman LuMaye reported to the Council information she obtained from City Attorney Wolske and Administrator Kranz regarding the de facto officer status of Alderman Kunkel who relocated from his District 2 to District 1. Alderman Kunkel will continue as a de facto officer until the reorganization meeting in April 2014 at which time his seat would be declared vacant and the Council would then proceed to appoint someone to fill the unexpired term ending in April 2015.

Kostka moved and Kunkel seconded to approve and authorize the Mayor and City Administrator to sign an Option to Purchase of the property located at 97 Ellis Street (formerly known as the old Hamachek property) between the City of Kewaunee and KHS, USA, Inc. in the amount of \$210,000 and subject to the additional conditions provided in Appendix A of the Option. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

It was noted that in order to exercise the Option to Purchase, written notice must be given to KHS USA, Inc. no later than midnight February 28, 2014 and a closing to occur no later than March 31, 2014.

Vollenweider moved and Gilbertson seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. Motion carried.