

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
OF THE
CITY OF KEWAUNEE COMMON COUNCIL
March 12, 2018 – 7:00pm**

Present: Mayor Christman, Alderperson Dworak, Jirtle, Jelinek, Kickbusch, Kuehl, Griffith, Zimmerman and Schiller by phone

Absent: None

Others: Administrator Schnook, Clerk/Treasurer Decur, Public Works Director Murphy, City Attorney Wolske, Building Inspector Angoli, Librarian Petrina, Ambulance Co-Director Steiner, Police Chief Salentine, Fire Chief Hlinak, County Representative Luft and Joe Mills.

Mayor Christman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by prayer and meditation.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 12TH, 2018 AND FEBRUARY 26TH, 2018 COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES

Alderperson Jirtle moved, seconded by Alderperson Kuehl to approve the February 12th, 2018 and February 26th, 2018 Common Council Minutes, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT/COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Christman opened the meeting for any Public Comments.

Resident Joe Mills wanted to express his concern regarding the purchase of Salmon Harbor. Mills feels it should not be discussed in Closed Session.

CONSENT AGENDA

Boards, Committees & Commission Reports: (Community Center, Historical Preservation Commission, Lighthouse Preservation, Plan Commission, Library Board and Staff/Building Report)

Ordinance 584-18, Allowing Snowmobile Operate within the City

Ordinance 585-18, Appointments

Ordinance 586-18, Zoning Change – Marcus Steele Building

Ordinance 587-18, Removal of Salvageable Material

Ordinance 588-18, Razing of Buildings

Ordinance 589-18, Recovery of City Costs and Expenses

ATC Lease Extension for area by Wood Steel Building

Fee Schedule Changes

Approve Capital Improvement Plan Contract

Operator's License-Debra McCarthy & Paula Niemierowitz

Alderperson Dworak moved, seconded by Alderperson Zimmerman to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried Unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Update on Waterfront Steering Committee

Mayor Christman updated the Council on the Waterfront Steering Committee. A public input meeting is going to be held on March 19, 2018 at 6:00 pm at City Hall. Mayor Christman informed everyone that the draft plan is on the City Web site for viewing.

Kewaunee School District Update

Student Representative Remington Schlies updated everyone on what's going on at the Kewaunee High School. There were about 369 students that took the survey for the Waterfront Plan, of which several of them got to work with the designers. Three wrestlers have gone to state and track and baseball are just around the corner.

NEW BUSINESS

Kewaunee County Presentation – Lee Luft

County Representative Lee Luft presented the Council with an update report on the issues the County has dealt with in 2017. Some of the highlights covered the 2018 budget, Dominion closure and how it affected the County.

Kewaunee County Historical Society Intentions – Tom Schuller

Kewaunee County Historical Society Representative Tom Schuller spoke to the Council on the intentions of the Historical Society. Schuller explained that the lease of the current building is running out and it will not be renewed. The Society would like to purchase a piece of vacant land that the City owns and build a new building on the site.

Discussion was held regarding the building plans, the site, it was suggested that Schuller present a site plan to the Plan Commission.

Kewaunee Fire Department Annual Report

Fire Chief Hlinak reviewed the 2017 Annual Fire Department Report, which is on file and will be placed on the City Web Site.

Kewaunee Ambulance Annual Report

Ambulance Director Steiner presented the Council with the 2017 Ambulance Annual Report. Steiner stated that they currently have 22 members, but he would like to see the membership increase to 36. The Annual Report will be on files and placed on the City Web Site.

Kewaunee Police Department Annual Report

Police Chief Salentine reviewed the 2017 Police Department Annual Report explaining that he has also included a report from the K-9 Unit. The Annual Report will be on file and placed on the City Web Site.

Ordinance 590-18, Amend Ordinance 14-236 Property Maintenance Appeals (first reading)

Mayor Christman reviewed the proposed changes to Ordinance 14-236 Property Maintenance Appeals, which replaced the Beautification Committee with the Plan Commission regards to hearing appeals. The second reading will be at the next meeting April 9. 2018.

Approval of November 2017 Accounts Payable

Aldersperson Kuehl moved, seconded by Aldersperson Griffith to approve the February 2018 Accounts payable/Payroll in the amount of \$1,405,757.79. Upon a roll call vote motion carried unanimously.

ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1) (e): Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing in public funds, or conducting other specific public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session: Letter of intent to purchase Salmon Harbor.

Aldersperson Jirtle moved, seconded by Aldersperson Jelinek to enter closed session at 8:19 pm, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1) (e). Motion carried unanimously.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION PURSUANT TO WISCONSIN STATUTE 19.85 (2)

Aldersperson Griffith moved, seconded by Aldersperson Kuehl to come out of closed session and enter open session at 8:56 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

ANY ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION

Aldersperson Jelinek moved, seconded by Aldersperson Griffith to have Administrator Schnook and Mayor Christman re-send the letter from March 5th, updating the date and response time, but leaving the previous offer in terms of price intact (\$1,600,000), in response to the counter offer received from Salmon Harbor. Roll Call Vote, Aldersperson Dworak, Jirtle, Schiller, Jelinek, Kuehl, Griffith and Zimmerman – aye, Aldersperson Kickbusch – nay. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Aldersperson Schiller stated that he and Sara have purchased the Selner Building and are going to restore it.

Aldersperson Griffith informed the Council that the Tug Ludington Committee will be meeting on the Tug on 3/21/18, at 9:00 am.

Aldersperson Zimmerman was informed by a resident that the welcome sign coming into Kewaunee has the wrong year that it became a city. It had 1893 listed and it should be 1883.

Aldersperson Zimmerman also had a concern regarding garbage containers left out front all week.

ADJOURNMENT

Aldersperson Dworak moved, seconded by Aldersperson Kickbusch to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Decur