

Zilwaukee City Council Meeting
November 4th, 2013
Zilwaukee City Hall

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Eugene Jolin.

Members present: C/Boese, C/Bohnsack, C/Comstock, C/Luplow and M/Jolin

The clerk offered the prayer and pledge

A motion was made by Bohnsack and supported by Comstock to accept the minutes of the October 7th, 2013 meeting. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin Voting nay: none

Luplow made a motion to approve the bills for the month of October. Bohnsack supported the motion. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none

A motion was made by Luplow and supported by Boese to approve the agenda. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none

Audience Participation

Mark Black – 309 S Westervelt – Asked about the website and commented that the website is not currently up to date. The website is being reconstructed. It is approximately 75% complete.

David Inman – Asked about the proposed ordinance that is on the agenda and what it encompassed. The City Administrator explained what the proposed ordinance's intent is, the fees and the length of the license.

Department Heads

Police Dept – Chief King – The Chief gave a report on the incidents handled by the department during the month of October. The department assisted the Zilwaukee School by blocking streets during the walk to school day, assisted the Carrollton Police Department during the Carrollton Homecoming Parade, participated at the Zilwaukee School during their Halloween Parade and participated at the City Halloween party at St. Matthews Church Hall.

Fire Dept – Chief Raasch – Gave a rundown on the runs made by the Department during the month of October. Two firefighters are attending Medical First Responder Class. They will take the national registry test after completion of the classes.

DPW – Director Mahan – Commonwealth water main project is complete. Restoration will be in the spring. The DPW repaired two fire hydrants, hydrants have been winterized, monthly forced main shutdown was completed, along with the fire department they tested the fire protection line for the bridge, all road work has been completed and the pool has been winterized.

Student Leader – Rebecca Partlow – Reported on various activities at Zilwaukee School.

Special Recognition – The Mayor presented Special Recognitions to Carole Inman, Victor Perez and Pete Rouech for their services to the community. Dawn Acklin and Don LaBeff also were recognized but were not in attendance. They all retired after many years of service.

AGENDA

Saginaw Area Storm Water Authority

The council received the SASWA budget for 2014. The clerk read a resolution to approve the budget. A motion was made by Comstock and was supported by Luplow to approve the budget. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none.

Public Hearing – Planning Commission Membership Amendment

A motion was made by Comstock and supported by Bohnsack to open the public hearing on the proposed amendment of Ordinance 53, Section 2, Division 2, Section 2.91 to reduce the Planning Commission membership from 9 to 7. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none.

Mark Black – expressed his concern about reducing the number of members. He felt that more members would have more ideas. He asked if there is a quorum at the meetings in order to do business. There has been a quorum which is at least 5 members.

Luplow made a motion to close the public hearing. The motion was supported by Bohnsack. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none

The clerk read a resolution to reduce the membership of the Planning Commission from 9 members to 7 members. A motion was made by Comstock and supported by Boese to adopt the amendment. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none

Public Hearing – General Business License Proposed Ordinance

A motion was made by Luplow and supported by Bohnsack to open the public hearing on the proposed General Business License. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none

Myron Dunbar – asked whether the ordinance would include businesses operating out of a residence. This is covered in the zoning ordinance.

Boese made a motion to close the public hearing. The motion was supported by Luplow. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none.

The clerk read a resolution to adopt the General Business License Ordinance. A motion was made by Luplow and supported by Boese to adopt the ordinance. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none

Public Hearing – Housing Code Proposed Ordinance

A motion was made by Boese to open the public hearing. The motion was supported by Bohnsack. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none.

Dave Inman questioned whether the \$50.00 fee would be reduced in the future. It would have to be another amendment. He also was concerned about what codes would be used when the inspections were made.

Mike Dunbar asked about the number of unrelated persons living in a rental and how it would be handled.

Councilman Boese commented that we need a more comprehensive plan than the one presented. His concern was that all housing not just rentals be included.

A motion was made by Comstock and supported by Bohnsack to close the public hearing. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none.

The clerk read a resolution to adopt the Housing Code Ordinance. A motion was made by Luplow and supported by Comstock to adopt the resolution. The motion passed. Voting aye: Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: Boese, Bohnsack

Sewer and Water Grant Approval

The clerk read a resolution for the City to apply for a grant for an amount not to exceed \$479,900.00 for storm water or nonpoint source pollution control. A motion was made by Luplow and supported by Bohnsack to approve the resolution. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none.

A motion was then made by Comstock to adjourn to Executive Closed Session to discuss pending litigation. The motion was supported by Luplow. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none. The council went into closed session at 8:10 p.m.

The council returned to chambers at 8:23 p.m. Comstock made a motion to bring the meeting back to order. The motion was supported by Boese. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none

Comstock made a motion to adjourn and was supported by Boese. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard C. DeLong, Clerk

