

Zilwaukee City Council Meeting
October 7th, 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 Luplow to accept the minutes of the September 3rd, 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 September. Comstock 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

George Dembinski – 4591 Bradington – Expressed concern of vehicles exceeding the speed limit on Schust between Adams and Venoy. The police will be monitoring.

Erica Partlow – 810 Commonwealth – Mentioned that her drive way was in bad shape due to the sewer project done on her street. She asked when the repair would be done. The restoration will start within the next week.

Department Heads

Planning Commission – Ken Hyde, Chairman – Spoke on the plans of the Council to reduce the membership of the planning commission from 9 to 7. There will be a public hearing at the next meeting for an amendment to the ordinance to reduce the membership.

City Pool – Stephanie Mitchell – The director reported that the numbers were down a little from last year and that the pool had been winterized.

Police Dept – Chief King – The Chief gave a report on the incidents handled by the department during the month of September. The Department participated in firearms training and he has been researching other cities ordinances pertaining to time limitations with the new state fireworks law.

Fire Dept – Asst Chief Wegner – Gave a rundown on the runs made by the Department during the month of September. There will be two firefighters attending Medical First Responder class this month. Lieutenant Matt Rivette has been promoted to captain and Firefighter Ryan Benford has been promoted to lieutenant. The Fire Department will hold an open house on October 31st from 5 pm to 7pm

DPW – Director Mahan – Road repairs are underway on Cornell, Schust, Purdue and Knox. The force main was shut down to flush the system. The back hoe hydraulic cylinder was repaired. The sewer project on Adams Alley has been completed. The fire hydrants were flushed on dead end mains and a hydrant was repaired on Westervelt.

AGENDA

Planning Commission Resignation

The clerk read a letter of resignation from Ross (Pete) Rouech from the Planning Commission due to his being out of town for the winter months and much of the summer. A motion was made by Comstock and supported by Bohnsack to accept the resignation and a letter of appreciation be sent. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none. A motion was then made by Luplow and supported by Bohnsack to appoint Dennis Duro to serve out the term of Mr. Rouech. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none

Parks and Recreation

The Parks and Recreation committee requests that the membership be reduced from 7 to 5 due to members not attending and participating. Luplow made a motion to reduce the membership as requested. The motion was supported by Bohnsack. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. The terms of Carole Inman, Liz Turner and Dawn Acklin will expire at the end of October. Ms Inman and Acklin do not want to be reappointed. Marie Chingman has an application in for the board. A motion was made by Boese and Supported by Luplow to reappoint Liz Turner and appoint Marie Chingman to the committee. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none

SAW Grant/Potter Proposal

Dave Potter from Potter Consultants presented a proposal to move forward to seek a grant from the MDEQ for Stormwater, Asset Management and Wastewater. A motion was made by Boese and supported by Luplow to proceed with the application for the grant. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin. Voting nay: none

Planning Commission Amendment 1st Reading

The clerk gave the first reading of the proposed amendment to the ordinance concerning membership on the planning commission. The second reading and a public hearing will be at the November council meeting.

General Business Ordinance 1st Reading

The clerk gave the first reading of the proposed ordinance for a General Business License. The second reading and a public hearing will be held at the November council meeting.

Housing Code of the City of Zilwaukee 1st Reading

The clerk gave the first reading of the proposed ordinance for the Housing Code of the City of Zilwaukee. The second reading and a public hearing will be held at the November council meeting.

Intergovernmental Agreement

The clerk read a resolution for the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Zilwaukee and the City of Saginaw to jointly provide for code enforcement services, including blight, and nuisance code enforcement and rental registration program administration in Zilwaukee. A motion was made by Boese and supported by Luplow to adopt the resolution. The motion passed. Voting aye: Boese, Bohnsack, Comstock, Luplow and M/Jolin.

Luplow 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 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard C. DeLong, Clerk