

CITY OF MENASHA  
ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE  
Third Floor Council Chambers  
140 Main Street, Menasha  
January 4, 2011  
MINUTES

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A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chairman Wisneski at 7:18 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES

PRESENT: Aldermen Englebert, Benner, Roush, Taylor, Wisneski, Langdon, Hendricks, Zelinski

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Merkes, CA/HRD Captain, PC Stanke, FC Auxier, CDD Keil, DPW Radtke, C/T Stoffel, Clerk Galeazzi, and the Press

C. MINUTES TO APPROVE

1. [Administration Committee, 12/20/10](#)

Moved by Ald. Zelinski, seconded by Ald. Roush to approve minutes.

Motion carried on voice vote.

D. ACTION ITEMS

1. [Reserve "Class B" Liquor License Policy \(Held 12/20/10\)](#)

Staff is recommending holding off on this item until a few issues are resolved.

Moved by Ald. Langdon, seconded by Ald. Roush to table until issues resolved.

Motion carried on voice vote.

2. Grant Agreements between Winnebago County and City of Menasha for the term Jan. 1, 2011 to Dec. 31, 2011 for:

- a) [Senior Center Supervisor](#)
- b) [Senior Center Activity Coordinator](#)
- c) [Older Adult Health Screening Program](#)

PHD Nett explained the grant agreements are the same as in previous years.

Moved by Ald. Hendricks, seconded by Ald. Roush to recommend approval to Common Council.

Motion carried on voice vote.

3. [O-1-11 An Ordinance Relating to the Keeping of Fowl \(Introduced by Ald. Roush\) \(Recommendation of Sustainability Board and Plan Commission\)](#)

Moved by Ald. Roush, seconded by Ald. Hendricks to recommend approval to Common Council.

A lengthily debate ensued on the pros and cons of allowing chickens in the City.

Comments made: recommended by Sustainability Board and Plan Commission; more people want to grow their own food; would only allow chickens, no roosters; only allowed on owner-occupied properties; consider rights of property owner; chickens are pets just like dogs and cats. Concerns: chickens are farm animals, could lead to allowing other farm animals in the City; health issues; complaints from neighbors; chickens roaming neighborhood; appearance of coops and were located on property; too many unanswered questions.

PHD Nett commented the ordinance does not address certain health issues.

Moved by Ald. Benner, seconded by Ald. Englebert to table this item for more clarification.

Motion carried on voice vote. Ald. Taylor voiced – nay.

4. [R-1-11 Resolution Opposing the Reduction in Size of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors \(Introduced by Ald. Englebert\)](#)

Discussion ensued. Comments made were what is the right number of County Supervisors; should the City get involved at this time; should wait until after final census; need fair representation at County level; should wait until more information is available on appropriate size of County Board.

Moved by Ald. Englebert, seconded by Ald. Roush to recommend approve to Common Council. Motion carried on voice vote. Ald. Zelinski, Hendricks voiced – nay.

E. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Ald. Roush, seconded by Ald. Langdon to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried on voice vote.

Respectfully submitted by Deborah A. Galeazzi, WCMC, City Clerk