

CITY OF MENASHA
COMMON COUNCIL
Third Floor Council Chambers
140 Main Street, Menasha
Monday, February 18, 2013
MINUTES

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A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Mayor Merkes at 6:00 p.m.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES

PRESENT: Aldermen Zelinski, Englebort, Benner, Klein, Taylor, Sevenich, Langdon, Krueger
ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Merkes, CA/HRD Captain, PC Styka, FC Auxier, DPW Radtke, CDD Keil,
PRD Tungate, Dpty Treasurer Sassman, Pk Supt Maas, Kim Miller (DNR), Clerk Galeazzi and the Press.
DEPT. HEAD EXCUSED: PHD Nett

D. PUBLIC HEARING

None

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY MATTER OF CONCERN TO THE CITY

(five (5) minute time limit for each person)

Larry Burkhardt, Fox Cities Chamber. Comments supporting Menasha participating in Regional Economic Development Partnership.

Linda Kennedy, 310 Willow Lane. Comments supporting Menasha participating in Regional Economic Development Partnership.

Kip Golden, 1009 Tana Lane. Comments supporting Menasha participating in Regional Economic Development Partnership.

Jim Marks, 2157 Deer Haven Drive. Comments supporting Menasha participating in Regional Economic Development Partnership.

Rebecca Nichols, 402 Elm Street. Comments supporting Menasha participating in Regional Economic Development Partnership.

Mayor Merkes presented a letter from Miron Construction supporting Menasha participating in Regional Economic Development Partnership.

F. REPORT OF DEPARTMENT HEADS/STAFF/CONSULTANTS

1. [Kim Miller, WDNR Regional Forester–Fox Valley Metro Area Analysis Project Urban Canopy Cover and Street Tree Benefits](#)

Kim Miller, WDNR Regional Forester, gave a presentation on benefits public street trees provide to the City on an annual bases. Ms. Miller answered questions from the Council.

2. Clerk Galeazzi - the following minutes and communications have been received and placed on file:

Minutes to receive:

- a. [Board of Public Works, 2/4/13](#)
- b. [Library Board, 1/17/13](#)
- c. [Parks & Recreation Board, 2/11/13](#)
- d. [Personnel Committee, 2/4/13](#)
- e. [Redevelopment Authority, 2/11/13](#)
- f. [Sustainability Board, 1/15/13](#)

Communications:

- g. [2012 Building Permit Summary](#)
- h. [2012 Special Events listing](#)
- i. [CDD Keil, Status of Gilbert Mill Site Redevelopment/Shoreline Park](#)
- j. [League of Women Voters, Invitation to City and Town of Menasha Candidate Forum](#)
- k. [Letter from Kip Golden, 2/6/13; Funding for Fox Cities Economic Development Corporation](#)
- l. [Letter from Ald. Steve Krueger, 2/7/13; Funding for Fox Cities Economic Development Corporation](#)
- m. [Letter from Eric Hjortness, 2/13/13; Funding for Fox Cities Economic Development Corporation](#)
- n. [Public Works Facility, Nov/Dec 2012 Disposal Violations](#)
- o. [Winnebago County, 2/1/13; Legal notice of sale of tax deed property by Winnebago County](#)

Moved by Ald. Sevenich, seconded by Ald. Langdon to received Minutes and Communications A-O.
Motion carried on voice vote.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

(Prior to voting on the Consent Agenda, items on the Consent Agenda may be removed at the request of any Alderman and place immediately following action on the Consent Agenda. The procedures to follow for the Consent Agenda are: (a) removal of items from Consent Agenda; and (b) motion to approve the items from Consent Agenda.)

Minutes to approve:

- 1. [Common Council, 2/4/13](#)

Moved by Ald. Sevenich, seconded by Ald. Langdon to approve Consent Agenda.
Motion carried on roll call 8-0.

H. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

I. ACTION ITEMS

- 1. [Accounts payable and payroll for the term of 2/7/13 to 2/14/13 in the amount of \\$5,478,178.33](#)

Moved by Ald. Klein, seconded by Ald. Krueger to approve accounts payable and payroll.

General discussion ensued on expenditures.

Motion carried on roll call 8-0.

- 2. [Disposition of former NMFR Station 36 – 901 Airport Rd. \(No action taken on 2/4/13\)](#)

CDD Keil explained Endter Construction has reconsidered their offer to purchase former NMFR Station 36 at 901 Airport Road as it was determined the site would not work for them due to inadequate parking.

Moved by Ald. Benner, seconded by Ald. Sevenich to authorize staff to proceed with razing the former NMFR Station 36 using the proceeds from the insurance settlement to pay for the demolition and the environmental assessment and to return a listing agreement with commercial real estate broker for consideration by the Administration Committee.

Motion carried on roll call 7-1. Ald. Langdon voted no.

J. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- 1. [Motion to Amend or Rescind R-39-12 Resolution to Distribute Funding for the Fox Cities Economic Development Corporation \(Ald. Krueger\)](#)

Moved by Ald. Krueger, seconded by Ald. Sevenich to amend Resolution R-39-12

General discussion ensued on rescinding the funds budgeted for Menasha to participate in the Fox Cities Economic Development Corporation. Some Council members were concerned about the name changed to Appleton Regional Partnership.

Larry Burkhardt from the Fox Cities Chamber answered questions on the reason for the name change.

Motion failed on roll call 4-5

Ald. Taylor, Sevenich, Krueger, Zelinski voted yes

Ald. Klein, Langdon, Englebert, Benner, Mayor Merkes voted no

K. APPOINTMENTS

1. Mayor's reappointment of Tom Grade, 999 Brighton Dr., Menasha, WI to the Landmarks Commission for the term of March 1, 2013 to March 1, 2016

Moved by Ald. Sevenich, seconded by Ald. Krueger to approve Mayor's reappointment of Tom Grade to Landmarks Commission for the term March 1, 2013 to March 1, 2016.

Motion carried on voice vote.

L. HELD OVER BUSINESS

M. CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY

N. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY MATTER LISTED ON THE AGENDA

(five (5) minute time limit for each person)

No one spoke

O. ADJOURN

Moved by Ald. Krueger, seconded by Ald. Langdon adjourn at 7:58 p.m.

Motion carried on voice vote.

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