

City of Manawa
Common Council Meeting
January 21, 2019 6:00 PM

Proceedings of the Manawa Common Council meeting held Monday, January 21, 2019. Called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Smith at the Manawa Municipal Building pursuant to open meeting regulations, Pledge of Allegiance and roll call. Aldermen present on roll call: Brown, Eck, Brost, Radtke, Miller. Absent: Frazier. City Employees: B. Gorman, J. Gorman, M. Hass, Kincaid, Forsythe, L. Hass. Audience: Gene Goode, Randall Bruns, Joe Starr, Ashley Lehouckey, Holly Neumann.

Moved Miller/Brown to approve agenda of January 21, 2019. Carried.

Moved Miller/Brown to approve of the common council meeting minutes of December 17, 2018. Carried.

Moved Miller/Eck to approve of the Bills of Allowance \$388,420.95. Carried.

Swear In Ceremony: Steven Kincaid was conditionally offered employment as a part time police officer.

Public Hearing: Moved Radtke/Eck to open public hearing at 6:07 pm for ATV routes in the City of Manawa and to change City Ordinance 289-19 Winter parking, snowstorm emergencies. Carried. Sgt. Goode presented information on ATV routes. He stated that townships of Farmington, Dayton, Iola, Royalton, city of Weyauwega have established ATV routes and Dupont is considering establishing routes as well. Some of these townships have signs that are posted for specific ATV routes, particular roads allow ATV traffic, and some townships use all roads as ATV routes. Goode mentioned they have the first club meeting coming up. Brown stated who can operate and Goode answered anyone who can operate under state statute. Goode stated that on state highways DOT would have to put up the signs. He also mentioned right now it is only legal to operate for work use not for recreational unless it is passed to operate for recreational use. Randall Bruns commented that he thinks it would be a great idea to use ATVs in the city and doesn't see any problems with it. Goode advised to follow state laws and consultant with legal attorney. Mayor Smith stated that having ATVs in the city provides a great opportunity for the city to continue to grow. Goode stated the only current issue right now is with the signs. No one had any questions about the change to City Ordinance 289-19 Winter parking, snowstorm emergencies.

Moved Eck/Miller to close the public hearing at 6:25 pm. Carried

Audience: Blair Olson was not present to talk about alley property. Joe Starr talked about the Veterans Park and all the projects that were done at the park. They purchased playground equipment which is ready to be installed in May. A splash pad is expected to go in sometime in 2020. Joe wanted to make sure that the council is still willing to take in the Veterans Park. He is hoping that it would be included in the 2021 budget. Eck stated that it would need to go to a committee meeting for discussion.

Finance: Insurance: Moved Eck/Radtke to adjourn into closed session at 6:43 pm per SS 19.85(1) (g) to confer with Legal Counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is not likely to become involved regarding damage of City owned property at Lindsay Park. Carried.

Moved Eck/Radtke to return to open session 7:08 pm to make any recommendations. Carried.

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Moved Eck/Brown to allow Chief Gorman, Mayor Smith and Attorney Ashley Lehockey to meet on a settlement conference about the property at Lindsay Park. Carried.

Statewide Razing: Moved Eck/Brown to pay final payment to Statewide Razing in the amount of \$6,005.93. Carried.

DPW: Moved Eck/Brown to hire and promote Mark Hass to fill the DPW position on April 1st. Carried.

Moved Eck/Brown to post the assistant to the director of public works job on January 25, 2019. Carried.

Moved Eck/Brown to meet on February 8, 2019 to look over the applications for assistant to the director of public works. Carried.

Moved Eck/Brown to conduct interviews for the assistant to the director of public works starting on February 11, 2019. Carried.

Moved Eck/Brown to have the start date for the assistant to the director of the public works on March 4th. Carried.

Improvements: City plow truck: Bob Gorman asked council what they thought they should do if they should get a new one or not and Eck advised that should go to a committee meeting.

Flags: Gorman described that they need to get new flags for Bridge Street.

City pickup truck: Gorman stated that they are currently getting estimates for the truck because of damages done to the bumper and hood of the truck from April 2018 and in the Fall of 2017.

Protection: Eck stated that the Fire Department Pancake breakfast is April 7th.

Mayor: Mayor Smith recognized Chief Jim Gorman for 3 years of service to the city and explained what an excellent job he has done so far. Mayor stated the he will be having a meeting with new Waupaca County Sheriff Wilz and hasn't heard anything yet from DHS on an update.

Retirement Party: Moved Eck/Brown to approve that the City matches Cedar Corp payment towards Cheryl Hass and Frank Jaeger retirement party. Carried.

DPW: DPW Gorman stated that everything has been going well just that there has been some small stuff that needed to be fixed up.

Police Chief: Chief Gorman informed the council about using the room between the Clerk's office and his as more office space for more privacy.

Library: Brown noted that the Library will be getting video cameras and updating lease with MBM for the copier machine.

Clerk: Financial Report: General Fund Balance: \$109,858.52; Local Government Pool: \$95,087.27.

Operator's licenses: Moved Miller/Eck to approve operator's license for Sara Thomas. Carried.

Class B Picnic License: Moved Eck/Miller to approve Temporary Class B Picnic License for Manawa Area Veteran's Freedom Park for Freedom on January 26, 2019. Carried.

Moved Eck/Brown to approve Temporary Class B Picnic License for Manawa Lion's Club Black Hat Affair on March 2, 2019. Carried.

Moved Eck/Brown to approve payment to Cheryl Hass for consulting. Carried.

New Ordinances and Resolutions: Resolution 2019-1: Moved Brown/Radtke to adopt resolution 2019-1 to change City Ordinance 289-19 Winter parking; snowstorm emergencies. Snow tow-away zones. The Manawa Police Department is hereby authorized to order the

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towing away of any vehicle(s) parked in violation of this section. There will be a \$50.00 Police Service Fee assessed to any vehicles that are towed away. This shall be paid in full before the vehicle is returned to the registered owner of the vehicle. It is the registered owner's responsibility to satisfy the towing bill with regard to the towing company. (5) The forfeiture pertaining to such parking violations shall be no less than \$20.00 but no more than \$200.00 for the first offense. Any consecutive or subsequent violations will follow the same process. Failure to satisfy the forfeiture amount within 30-days of the issuance of the parking citation will result in the Chief of Police petitioning the State of Wisconsin, Department of Transportation to suspend the registered owner's registration plates. Once the State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation has suspended your registration plates the forfeiture amount will increase to a figure of \$50.00. The registered owner of the vehicle will be responsible for any cost set forth or imposed by the State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation. (6) The Manawa City Council, the Mayor and Chief of Police have full discretion when imposing forfeitures and the amounts pertaining to enforcement, penalties and police service fees. Carried.

Other New Business: ATV routes, pickup truck, plow truck, flags, Veterans Park, and 103 S. Bridge St will be referred to committees.

Moved Brown/Eck to adjourn. 7:55 pm. Carried.

Logan Hass, City Clerk/Treasurer