

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS/COUNCIL POLICY MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, November 29, 2016, 6:00 p.m.

Hall of Fame Room, City of Stoughton, WI

Present: Alderpersons Greg Jenson, Tim Swadley, Kathleen Johnson, and Matt Bartlett

Absent: Mayor Olson

Guests: Sid Boersma

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:57 p.m. by Chairperson Jenson.

Communications: Swadley explained that he and the Mayor had met with the City Attorney and the Mayor regarding the contract for the legal services. He noted that any changes to the contract would go to the Finance Committee for review more than likely.

Discussion and possible action regarding changes to the Council Rules; regarding quorum, abstentions, and public comment period:

The Committee discussed the changes that had been made to the Council rules. Swadley explained that he would like the rules to have a provision that if the Council President isn't available to chair a CIP committee, that the President may defer the chair for the CIP Committee. Committee discussion continued with clarification on the rules for the Public Comment Period. Swadley asked that the rules still contain reference to Robert's Rules of Order and wants City Staff to find out what communities use The Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure in its place.

Motion by Swadley, to approve the Council Rules with the proposed changes, second by Johnson. Motion carried 4-0.

Discussion and possible action regarding the creation of an ordinance prohibiting Pig Wrestling within the City of Stoughton:

Clerk Kropf explained the ordinance change to the committee. She noted the new language would state that, "Pig wrestling is prohibited. For purposes of this section, "pig wrestling" means any contest, games, or other like activity, in which a pig, greased, oiled or otherwise, is released and wherein the object is to capture the pig." She noted that the City attorney did review this language prior to it being brought to the committee. The Committee discussed possibly changing the ordinance to include other animals at a later date. The Committee also asked that any events held by the fair be included in the updated fair lease.

Motion by Swadley, to approve the ordinance prohibiting pig wrestling within the City of Stoughton, second by Bartlett. Motion carried 4-0.

Approval of the August 2, 2016 Community Affairs and Council Policy Committee Minutes:

Motion by Swadley, to approve the minutes from the August 2, 2016 Community Affairs and Council Policy Committee meeting, second by Bartlett. Motion carried 4-0.

Discussion and action regarding the mayor's proposal to change how Council items are introduced at Council meetings:

This request had come from the Mayor for discussion but the Committee wanted to table until the Mayor could be present.

Motion by Jenson, to table the Mayor's proposal to change how Council items are introduced at Council meetings until the January 2017 meeting, second by Johnson. Motion carried 4-0.

Future Agenda Items:

Future meetings to be held on the first Thursday of the month from January 2017 through April 2017, instead of the first Tuesday.

Adjournment

Motion by Swadley, to adjourn the meeting of the November 29, 2016 Community Affairs and Council Policy meeting, second by Johnson. Motion carried 4-0. The meeting of the Community Affairs and Council Policy Committee adjourned at 6:34 p.m.