

Meetings of: **COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOUGHTON**

Date//Time: Tuesday, May 9, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

Location: The meeting of the Common Council will be conducted as a hybrid meeting.

Members: Mayor Tim Swadley, Phil Caravello, Ben Heili, Regina Hirsch, Greg Jenson, Jean Ligocki, Tom Majewski, Daniel Payton, Frank Raff, Lisa Reeves, Brett Schumacher, Jonathan Schroerlucke and Rachel Venegas

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Swadley called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Clerk Christen called the roll and noted 9 alders were present. Alders Raff, Payton, and Venegas were absent and excused.

Certification of compliance with open meetings law

Mayor Swadley noted the meeting had been properly noticed.

Public Comment Period:

- Michael Engleberger, 1101 Giles St. & District 35 rep. spoke in favor of O-13-2023
- Joseph Cabibo, 404 S. 5th St. spoke in favor of O-13-2023
- Tyler Deming, 409 S. 5th St. spoke in favor of O-13-2023

Communications and Presentations:

a. Stoughton Area Senior Center – Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) recap

Director Ehlinger provided a brief summary of the recent tax prep season.

b. WHEDA tax credit award – Stoughton Housing Authority

Director Ehlinger informed Council the tax credits applied for were awarded in the amount of \$8 million for improvements to the WHEDA apartments.

c. Proclamations to be recognized

Mayor Swadley thanked the employees and volunteers of the City, noting it was National Public Servant week.

He also recognized Clerks, Police, Public Works, EMS Weeks and Synttende Mai along with

- Clerks Week Proclamation, April 30–May 5
- Police Week Proclamation, May 14–May 20
- Public Works Week Proclamation, May 27–May 27
- EMS Week Proclamation, May 21–May 27
- Public Servant Week Proclamation May 7 - 13
- Syttende Mai Proclamation, May 19–May 21

d. Open Meetings Law review (Attorney Dregne)

Attorney Dregne reviewed Open Meeting Law, Ethics Law, and Parliamentary Procedure for the Council, social media use and record retention were briefly discussed as well.

Communications:

President Hirsch wanted to make note of O-23-2016 an anti-bullying and anti-harassment part of the City code (50.15)

Alder Ligocki thanked President Hirsch for this reminder of the anti-bullying/anti-harassment policy. She also noted upcoming events:

May 22, 5:30-7:30 International Culture is holding a “Coming Together” event at the high school.

June 3, 10 a.m.to 4 p.m. the 1st Stoughton Pride event sponsored by the Library, at East Park.

5. **Consent Agenda:**

A. Council Minutes – April 25, 2023

B. **R-68-2023** Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to issue Operator licenses to various applicants.

C. **R-69-2023** Confirming the Mayor’s Citizen Appointments to Boards, Committees, and Commissions, Pursuant to 2-127 of the Municipal Code.

D. **Committee Minutes and Reports:** the following minutes were entered into the records Finance (4/11/23); Housing Authority (3/8/23); Hall of Fame (3/7/22); River & Trails Task Force (3/6/23); CACP (4/4/23) ; Public Safety (3/22/23)

Motion by Hirsch, second by Reeves to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 9-0.

OLD BUSINESS

O-12-2023 Revisions to Section 50-4 of Stoughton Municipal Code

Motion by Jenson, second by Ligocki to approve O-12-2023 Revisions to Section 50-4 of Stoughton Municipal Code. Motion carried 9-0.

O-13-2023 Establishing a Local Historic Downtown District (2)

Motion by Reeves, second by Ligocki to approve O-13-2023 Establishing a Local Historic Downtown District (2). Motion carried 8-1. (Jenson – no)

NEW BUSINESS

R-70-2023 Amend 2023 adopted budget to provide ARPA funds for Neighborhood Free Health Clinic

Motion by Schumacher, second by Hirsch to approve R-70-2023 Amend 2023 adopted budget to provide ARPA funds for Neighborhood Free Health Clinic. Motion carried 9-0.

R-71-2023 Amend 2023 adopted budget to provide ARPA funds for Stoughton Area Resource Team (START)

Motion by Schumacher, second by Reeves to approve R-71-2023 Amend 2023 adopted budget to provide ARPA funds for Stoughton Area Resource Team (START). Motion carried 9-0.

R-72-2023 Amend 2023 adopted budget to provide ARPA funds for a business revolving loan fund

Motion by Schumacher, second by Hirsch to approve R-72-2023 Amend 2023 adopted budget to provide ARPA funds for a business revolving loan fund. Motion carried 9-0.

R-73-2023 Amend 2023 adopted budget to provide ARPA funds for tablet and laptop lending project

Motion by Schumacher, second by Ligocki to approve R-73-2023 Amend 2023 adopted budget to provide ARPA funds for tablet and laptop lending project. Motion carried 9-0.

R-74-2023 Amend 2023 adopted budget for Troll Beach inflatable play structures

Motion by Schumacher, second by Jenson to approve R-74-2023 Amend 2023 adopted budget for Troll Beach inflatable play structures. Motion carried 9-0.

R-75-2023 Amend 2023 adopted budget for Virgin Lake Trail construction

Motion by Schumacher, second by Reeves to approve R-75-2023 Amend 2023 adopted budget for Virgin Lake Trail construction. Motion carried 9-0.

R-76-2023 Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to issue a Temporary Class “B” Fermented Malt Beverage License and Special Event License to Emi Janisch, Madison Revolution Inc., for the event Revolution Rumble Softball Tournament to be held June 3 - June 4, 2023.

Motion by Jenson, second by Schroerlucke to approve R-76-2023 Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to issue a Temporary Class “B” Fermented Malt Beverage License and Special Event License to Emi Janisch, Madison Revolution Inc., for the event Revolution Rumble Softball Tournament to be held June 3 - June 4, 2023. Motion carried 9-0.

O-14-2023 An ordinance amending Chapter 14 of the City of Stoughton Municipal Code, relating to the Issuance of Alcohol Beverage Operator’s Licenses.

Jenson read O-14-2023 an ordinance amending Chapter 14 of the City of Stoughton Municipal Code, relating to the Issuance of Alcohol Beverage Operator’s Licenses as a first reading. It will be back before Council on May 23.

R-77-2023 Repealing and Recreating the Policy Regarding the Issuance of Alcohol Beverage Operator’s Licenses.

Motion by Jenson, second by Majewski to table **R-77-2023** Repealing and Recreating the Policy Regarding the Issuance of Alcohol Beverage Operator’s Licenses. It will be back before Council May 23. Motion carried 9-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Jenson, second by Reeves to adjourn. Motion carried 9-0. 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Candee Christen