

Meeting of: **COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOUGHTON**  
Date/Time: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.  
Location: Council Chambers (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of Public Safety Building)  
321 South Fourth Street, Stoughton, Wisconsin  
Members: Mayor Tim Swadley, Matt Bartlett, Sid Boersma, Phil Caravello, Denise Duranczyk, Regina Hirsch, Greg Jenson, Kathleen Johnson, Tom Majewski, Pat O'Connor, Lisa Reeves, Timothy Riley

## **CALL TO ORDER**

### Roll Call, Communications, and Presentations:

Mayor Swadley called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Clerk Licht called the roll and noted there were 10 alders present.

Minutes and Reports: the following minutes were added into the record.

Public Works (12/3/18); Finance (1/8/19); Parks & Rec (12/18/18); Cemetery Board (6/19/18); CA CP (1/2/19)

### Public Comment Period:

- Roger Springman spoke in favor of lifting the moratorium on the demolition of the Blacksmith Shop. He also spoke in favor of the Public Works properties be transferred to the RDA.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. January 22, 2019 Council Minutes
- B. **R- 14-2019**- Resolution Authorizing and directing the proper City official (s) to issue Operator Licenses
- C. November 2018 Treasurers Report

Motion by Jenson, second by Reeves to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 10-0.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**O-2-2019**- Amending Zoning Code Section 78-206 (8) (y), Keeping of Chickens, of the Stoughton Municipal Code

Motion by Bartlett, second by Jenson to approve O-2-2019 Amending Zoning Code Section 78-206 (8) (y), Keeping of Chickens, of the Stoughton Municipal Code. Motion carried 10-0.

Motion by Hirsch, second by Majewski to reconsider O-2-2019. Motion carried 10-0

Motion by Hirsch, second by Jenson to amend the ordinance to include the language to include “coops shall be a minimum of 3 square feet in area per hen chicken and run areas shall be a minimum of 10 square feet in area per hen chicken.” Motion carried 10-0

**O-3-2019**-Amending Section 6-2(b), Keeping of Animals, of the Stoughton Municipal Code

Motion by Bartlett, second by Jenson to approve O-3-2019 Amending Section 6-2(b), Keeping of Animals, of the Stoughton Municipal Code. Motion carried 10-0.

**O-4-2019**- Amending Zoning Code Section 78-916(2) (o), Zoning Administrator, of the Stoughton Municipal Code

Motion by Bartlett, second by Jenson to approve O-4-2019 Amending Zoning Code Section 78-916(2) (o), Zoning Administrator, of the Stoughton Municipal Code. Hirsch mentioned that the ordinance should be gender neutral. Clerk Licht said the gender pronouns would be changed. Motion carried 10-0.

**O-5-2019**- Repealing Zoning Code Section 78-518 of the Stoughton Municipal Code

Motion by Bartlett, second by Hirsch to approve O-5-2019 Repealing Zoning Code Section 78-518 of the Stoughton Municipal Code. Motion carried 10-0.

**O-6-2019**-Repealing Section 10-34 (b) Electrical Contractors License

Motion by Bartlett, second by Jenson to approve O-6-2019 Repealing Section 10-34 (b) Electrical Contractors License. Motion carried 10-0.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Aldermanic District 4 Appointment:** Interviews, appointment, administration of oath and seating of new alderperson

Motion by Jenson, second by Bartlett to appoint Ben Heili to serve a term ending in April 2020. Motion carried 10-0.

Licht Clerk swore in Heili. Heili took a seat at the table and began to participate in the meeting. Heili announced that he would be abstaining from voting in the meeting tonight.

**R-15-2019**- Providing for the Sale of Approximately \$7,400,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2019A

Motion by Duranczyk, second by Jenson to approve R-15-2019 Providing for the Sale of Approximately \$7,400,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2019A. Motion carried 10-0 With Heili abstaining.

**R-16-2019**- Authorizing and directing the proper City Official(s) to accept the proposal from Community Perceptions for a Community Survey

Motion by Johnson, second by Duranczyk to postpone taking action on R-16-2019. Motion carried 10-0 with Heili abstaining.

**R-17-2019**- Authorizing and directing the proper City Official(s) to allocate up to \$5,000 for the 2019 Fireworks Display

Motion by Duranczyk, second by Jenson to approve R-17-2019 Authorizing and directing the proper City Official(s) to allocate up to \$5,000 for the 2019 Fireworks Display. Reeves said she did not support this. She added it would be easy for the community to do a fundraiser to raise the \$5,000. Riley said that it was important event for the community. Jenson spoke in favor. Riley said that there could be donation bins at the site of the fireworks this year. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-4 with Boersma, Johnson, Reeves, and Duranczyk voting 'no' and Heili abstaining.

**R-18-2019**-Preliminary Resolution Declaring Intent to Exercise Special Assessment Powers for the 2019 Street and Sidewalk Projects

Motion by Duranczyk, second by Jenson to approve R-18-2019 Preliminary Resolution Declaring Intent to Exercise Special Assessment Powers for the 2019 Street and Sidewalk Projects. Duranczyk said she voted against this because she is against installing sidewalks on Patterson Street.

Motion by Jenson, second by Duranczyk to remove the side walk infill on the south side of Patterson Street. Mayor Swadley said that the policy needed to be followed in order to be fair to everyone in the City. Motion failed on a roll call vote of 4-6 with Duranczyk, Riley Boersma, and Johnson voting 'yes' and Heili abstaining.

Original motion carried on a roll call vote of 6-4 with Duranczyk, Riley, Boersma, and Johnson voting 'no'. Heili abstained.

**R-19-2019**- Authorizing and directing the proper City Official(s) to revise the City of Stoughton Policy for Scheduled Building Maintenance fund

Motion by Duranczyk, second by Jenson to approve R-19-2019 Authorizing and directing the proper City Official(s) to revise the City of Stoughton Policy for Scheduled Building Maintenance fund. Motion carried 10-0.

**R-20-2019**- Lifting the Council Imposed Moratorium on the Blacksmith Shop

Motion by Hirsch second, by Duranczyk to approve R-20-2019.

Motion by Johnson, second by Boersma to waive the rules to allow a member of the public to speak. Motion carried 10-0.

Peggy Veregin addressed the council. She said that although she would like to have seen the building saved, it may not be possible anymore.

Motion carried 9-1 with Johnson voting 'no' and Heili abstaining.

**Discussion and possible action regarding directing City Staff to begin the process to transfer the Public Works properties located at 501 South Fourth Street and 515 South Fourth Street to the City of Stoughton Redevelopment Authority**

Motion by Hirsch, second by Boersma to directing the City Staff to begin the process to transfer the Public Works properties located at 501 South Fourth Street and 515 South Street to the City of Stoughton Redevelopment Authority. Majewski expressed concerns about the RDA having enough funds to keep up with maintenance and insurance of the powerhouse building. He added that the RDA didn't need the building right now. Hirsch directed Director Scheel, Director Friedl, Mayor Swadley, President Majewski and the RDA to draft a plan and present it at the first council meeting in April. Motion carried 9-0 with Heli abstaining.

Johnson left the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

**Consideration and possible action regarding Boardman Clark request for Conflict waiver regarding possible discussion with School District regarding Wide Area Network (WAN) currently used by both the City and the School District**

Motion by Jenson, second by Reeve to approve the waiver. Motion carried 9-0 with Heili abstaining.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn by Boersma, second by Caravello to adjourn at 8:42 p.m. Motion carried 9-0.