CITY OF STEVENS POINT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

July 15, 2024
7:00 PM

Community Room
933 Michigan Avenue, Stevens Point, WI

<u>OR</u>

<u>Zoom Teleconferencing</u>

1. Roll Call.

Present:
Ald. Christianson, Guthrie, Keymer, Broderick, Birr, Steinmetz, Kneebone, Shuda, Lang, Morrow.

Excused:
Ald. Buse.

Others Present:
Mayor Wiza, Clerk Yenter, Director Kremer, C/T Ladick, HR Manager Frasch, Executive Assistant Dowling, Director Kernosky, Assistant Chief Zvara, Director Lemke, Director Beduhn, Chief Kussow, Attorney Beveridge.

2. Salute to the Flag and Mayor's opening remarks.

3. Persons who wish to address the Mayor and Council on specific agenda items other than a "Public Hearing" must register their request at this time. Those who wish to address the Common Council during a "Public Hearing" are not required to identify themselves until the "Public Hearing" is declared open by the Mayor.

Liz McDonald, 1760 Strongs Avenue, wished to address the need for a drop box to accommodate the ease for electors to cast their vote. Ms. McDonald also referenced media coverage on the topic of City of Stevens Point having both a Mayor and City Administrator position and asked that there be an opportunity for public discourse.

4. Persons who wish to address the Mayor and Council for up to three (3) minutes regarding a non-agenda item.

5. Presentation to the Mayor and Council: Director of Parks, Recreation and Forestry, Dan Kremer – Riverfront Rendezvous recap.

Dan Kremer, Director of Parks, Recreation and Forestry, shared the history of Riverfront Rendezvous starting in 1983 as "Point's 125th Birthday", next in 1984 "Freedom Days", and then in 1985 "Riverfront Rendezvous." He also discussed how the event was funded, the history of the bands, revenue sources, expenses, benefits to the city, and what was new for the 40th anniversary.

Consideration and Possible Action on the Following:

6. Consent Agenda:

a. Minutes of the Common Council Meeting of June 17, 2024.

b. Actions of the Police and Fire Commission meeting of July 9, 2024:
4. Confirmation of Bills.
5. Discussion, with possible action, to approve a request for out-of-state travel for Assistant Chief Dana Williams to attend the Department of Homeland Security Leadership Academy in Georgia.
6. Discussion, with possible action, to approve a conditional offer of employment to Larsen Biadasz and Bianca Patino.

c. Minutes and Actions of the Plan Commission meeting of July 1, 2024:
2. Report of the June 3, 2024 meeting of the City Plan Commission.
11. Director's Report.

d. Actions of the Board of Water and Sewerage Commissioners meeting of July 8, 2024:
2. Approval of minutes.
3. Approval of department claims.
7. Preliminary engineering agreement with Strand Associates related to reconstruction of Michigan Avenue from Patch St. to Dixon St.
8. Engineering agreement with Clark-Dietz for the proposed Madison/Monroe Street Improvements Project, Project 25-02.

e. Actions of the Airport Commission meeting of July 8, 2024:
2. Approval of minutes.
3. Approval of department claims.

f. Minutes and Actions of the Personnel Committee meeting of July 8. 2024:
2. Chief Kussow requests out of state travel for Ast. Chief Williams to attend the Department of Homeland Security Leadership Academy in Glynco, Georgia.
3. Director Beduhn requests to hire Limited Term Employee (LTE) Maintenance Mechanic at Public Works Department.
4. Director Kernosky requests to create an Electrical Inspector position within Community Development Department to replace Plumbing Inspector.
5. Comptroller Treasurer Ladick request overlap for the Finance Officer Manager/Deputy Comptroller-Treasurer position.

g. Minutes and Actions of the Public Policy and General Government meeting of July 8, 2024:
2. License List.
3. Request to Hold Event/Street Closing.
4. Beekeeper Permits.

h. Minutes and Actions of the Finance Committee meeting of July 8, 2024:
3. Approval of additional funding for the Plover River Crossing Trail Project.
5. Approval of Claims Paid.

i. Statutory Monthly Financial Report by Comptroller/Treasurer.

Ald. Morrow moved, Ald. Christianson seconded, to approve the consent agenda.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Morrow, Lang, Shuda, Kneebone, Steinmetz, Birr, Broderick, Keymer, Guthrie, Christianson.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

7. Discontinuing the use of kiosks for paid parking, and instituting an alternative system for paying for parking.

Chief Kussow addressed the age and the cost of the kiosks, the cost of paper, and cost analysis of revenue. He also discussed an alternative plan for parking payment.

C/T Ladick discussed the operational cost of using kiosks, revenue generated, percentage of use, and the capital cycle of installing new kiosks.

Ald Christianson questioned if the rate paid at the kiosk is the same rate paid through the smartphone app and if the revenue generated for the city is the same per transaction.

C/T Ladick addressed Ald. Christianson questions.

Ald. Guthrie asked about the time frame of implementation.

C/T Ladick stated the intention would be to start it before the upcoming school year.

Ald. Christianson moved, Ald. Shuda seconded, to approve the discontinuance of the use of kiosks for paid parking, and instituting an alternative system for paying for parking to include signage and a phone number to call for those without smartphones.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Christianson, Guthrie, Keymer, Broderick, Birr, Steinmetz, Kneebone, Shuda, Lang.
Nays: Morrow. Motion carried.

8. Disallowance of Claim-Garrett Katerzynske-Damage to private sewer line.

Ald. Broderick moved, Ald. Steinmetz seconded, to disallow.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Morrow, Lang, Shuda, Kneebone, Steinmetz, Birr, Broderick, Keymer, Guthrie, Christianson.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

9. Resolution - A request from Norman Myers Jr, representing Point Paradise Family LP, for a conditional use permit to operate a non-owner-occupied tourist rooming house on the property located at 1316 Ellis Street (Parcel ID 281240832100711).

Liz McDonald, 1760 Strongs Avenue, spoke against the request due to concerns over maintenance of other properties.

Director Kernosky also expressed concern due to not being in good standing with the City.

Ald. Shuda moved, Ald. Morrow seconded, to postpone until next month.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Christianson, Keymer, Broderick, Birr, Steinmetz, Kneebone, Shuda, Morrow.
Nays: Guthrie, Lang. Motion carried.

10. Resolution - A request from Brett Gerber, representing Pointer Plaza, LLC, to amend the adopted conceptual plan for the planned development of the property located at 1800 Maria Drive (Parcel ID 281240829140022).

Ald. Christianson moved, Ald. Kneebone seconded, to approve the request.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Morrow, Lang, Shuda, Kneebone, Steinmetz, Birr, Broderick, Keymer, Guthrie, Christianson.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

11. Resolution - A request from Brett Gerber, representing Pointer Plaza, LLC, for a conditional use permit to construct a multiple-unit apartment building on the property located at 1800 Maria Drive (Parcel ID 281240829140022).

Ald. Guthrie moved, Ald. Lang seconded, to approve the request.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Christianson, Guthrie, Keymer, Broderick, Birr, Steinmetz, Kneebone, Shuda, Lang, Morrow.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

12. A request from the City of Stevens Point to acquire an unaddressed parcel bounded by State Highway 66 (Parcel ID 020240814-14.06).

Ald. Morrow moved, Ald. Lang seconded, to approve the request.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Morrow, Lang, Shuda, Kneebone, Steinmetz, Birr, Broderick, Keymer, Guthrie, Christianson.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

13. A request to acquire a portion of the property located at 215 Maple Bluff Road (Parcel ID 0206834).

Ald. Lang moved, Ald. Kneebone seconded, to approve the request.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Christianson, Guthrie, Keymer, Broderick, Birr, Steinmetz, Kneebone, Shuda, Lang, Morrow.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

14. A request from the City of Stevens Point to enter into a distribution facilities installation easement with the Wisconsin Public Service Company for the property located at 2000 River View Avenue (Parcel ID 281230805410003).

Ald. Morrow moved, Ald. Lang seconded, to approve the request.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Morrow, Lang, Shuda, Kneebone, Steinmetz, Birr, Broderick, Keymer, Guthrie, Christianson.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

15. A request from the City of Stevens Point to enter into an electric overhead and underground easement with the Wisconsin Public Service Corporation for the property located at 5498 Golla Road (Parcel ID 281240826400500).

Ald. Kneebone moved, Ald. Birr seconded, to approve the request.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Christianson, Guthrie, Keymer, Broderick, Birr, Steinmetz, Kneebone, Shuda, Lang, Morrow.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

16. Enter into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes19.85(1)(e) and 19.85 (1) (g) for deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, investing of public funds, or conducting other specified business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, AND for Conferring 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 likely to become involved, relating to the following:
A. Discussion relating to a project in TID 9.

Ald. Shuda moved, Ald. Birr seconded, to enter into closed session.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Morrow, Lang, Shuda, Kneebone, Steinmetz, Birr, Broderick, Keymer, Guthrie, Christianson.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

17. Adjournment.

Adjourned at 8:37 p.m.