

**CITY OF BRODHEAD
COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES
Tuesday, May 29, 2018**

Present: Mayor Pinnow, Aldermen Nyman, Bruce, Anderson, Fox, Peach and Huntington. City Clerk Withee and City Attorney Mark Schroeder.

Mayor Pinnow called meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Roll call shows all Aldermen present.

Public Hearing: Mayor Pinnow opened the public hearing. Attorney Schroeder presented information for the public hearing regarding Resolution 2018-014 Final Resolution Vacating Portion of E 8th Ave. Attorney Schroeder stated council passed a preliminary resolution and stated that E 8th Avenue lies to the north of the railroad right of way and south of 10th Street. The city will reserve a 20 foot utility easement and half will be allocated to each of the adjoining properties. No comments or questions from the public or city council. Public hearing closed. Motion by Fox to approve Resolution 2018-014 Final Resolution Vacating Portion of E 8th Ave. Second by Anderson. Six ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes: Motion by Fox to approve minutes from May 14, 2018 as presented. Second by Nyman. Six ayes. Motion carried.

Pearl Island: Director Vogel stated he had no report on Pearl Island but did give an update on the Ash tree removal. He stated he is dealing with management for the trailer court. He advised management 2 years ago that the Ash trees needed to be removed. He sent a certified letter 2 weeks ago with a different address and has not heard back from the owners of the trailer park. Clerk Withee has forwarded the information to city attorney Mark Schroeder to move forward with this issue.

Public Safety: Chief Hughes stated there are no license/permits and no update on raze/repair at this time.

Plan Commission: Attorney Schroeder stated that an Extraterritorial Review of Preliminary CSM for Eckerman was presented to Plan Commission. Plan Commission recommends approval of the preliminary CSM. Discussion by council. Motion by Fox to approve the preliminary CSM as presented. Second by Anderson. Six ayes. Motion carried.

Finance Committee: Nyman made a motion to approve the following checks: Pearl Island CK 1015 - \$3,177.15 BID CK 1423 to 1427 - \$4,589.56, Sewer Fund CK 7951 to 7963 - \$13,753.53 General CK 76721 to 76829 - \$283,120.77. Second by Anderson. Roll Call 6 ayes. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Motion by Nyman to approve the April 2018 treasurer's report as presented. Second by Anderson. Six ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson to approve Resolution 2018-004 to Commit Funds for the Pearl Island Project as presented. Discussion by council. Second by Nyman. Six ayes. Motion carried.

Director Vogel stated that one of the issues in the comprehensive plan was safely crossing the city streets. Downtown was the main area of concern. He introduced a proposal for LED signs to be installed at the intersection of 1st Center Ave and Exchange Street. The cost is just over \$10,000. If the city is willing to commit \$5,000 the BID committee will pay the remainder of the project. Finance committee has reviewed the request and recommends approval with funds to come from city land sale. Discussion by council. Motion by Anderson to approve the Pedestrian Crossing Sign Request for \$5,000. Second by Huntington. Six ayes. Motion carried.

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Chief Hughes stated that in 2016 council approved moving forward with purchasing a K9 unit. The K9 dog has been purchased and K9 training will begin in August. Colony Brands has guaranteed payment for year one of care for the K9. After market equipment is \$10,866. Finance committee has reviewed and approved \$10,000 to come from city land sale with the remaining to come from the police department budget. Discussion by council. Motion by Anderson to approve the Purchase of K9 Squad and Equipment. Second by Fox. Five ayes. Peach – nay.

Mayor Report: Future Agendas: Mayor Pinnow will not be present on June 19th. Hotel Study was very positive. Chamber is scheduling a meeting that will be open to public to have him speak about the hotel study. BID is in process of doing a market analysis with UW Extension.

Huntington stated that the Independent Register inaccurately stated that the city purchased the Rodriguez building. The building has not been purchased by the city an offer to purchase was signed with contingencies that will need to be met prior to purchase.

Mayor Pinnow stated that the 4th of July fireworks will be held on Sunday, July 1st at dusk. There are new regulations and it was too late to schedule for July 4th. Next year should be back on schedule.

The attendance policy was reviewed and the Go to Meeting application was discussed. Comments regarding this from a legal standpoint are that as long as the members of council and citizens can hear what the council member is saying it meets open meeting law requirements. No legal requirement regarding attendance. Discussion by council. Anderson felt the attendance policy should remain as is and council should utilize the Go to Meeting application. If issues arise it can be reviewed at that time. Motion by Anderson to allow council members to use the Go to Meeting application or similar application for attendance with a review at 6 months. Up to \$500 could be spent for speaker systems if necessary. Second by Huntington. Six ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson to approve Citizen Committee Appointments as presented. Second by Nyman. Six ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson to appoint Adam Scheidegger to the Economic Development Committee. Second by Nyman. Six ayes. Motion carried.

Closed Session per WI State Statutes Sec. 19.85(1) (c), considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Re: Employee Review; Full Time Officer Vacancy

Motion by Anderson to enter closed session. Second by Huntington. Roll call 6 ayes. 0 nays.

Motion by Anderson to Return to Open Session. Second by Fox. Six ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Fox to approve a \$1 per hour increase for Justin Schwartz based on a positive 6 month review effective on the next payroll. Second by Anderson. Six ayes. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Anderson. Second by Fox. Six ayes. Adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Douglas A. Pinnow, Mayor Approved this 11th day of June 2018.
Teresa Withee, City Clerk