

The meeting was called to Order by Mayor Heron with the following Roll Call at 7:00 p.m.:

Members Present: Ald. Nitschke, Ald. Voss, Ald. Smith, Ald. Pasbrig, Ald. Moede, Ald. Hoy

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Mayor Heron, Kathie Wild, Sally Kahlhamer, Vern Hilker, Ron Weller, Roger Williams, Christine Churchill, Ryan Stitely, Sue Smith, Trinette Kososki, Chris Leonard, Robert Czaplicki, Wendy Metke

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Citizen Comments.

Chris Leonard from 356 N John Street commented on the slippery conditions throughout the city.

Robert Czapicki from 23 N German Street spoke on the abundance of the stray cat population within the city and feels the city needs to address the problem. He would like to see some money taken from the surplus fund to address the issue.

Wendy Metke from 1171 Breckenridge St Apt 5 commented that she feels the wheel tax should go through. She also spoke that she collected statements from citizens regarding the outdoor pool. She feels the council should take the money that they saved from the outdoor pool and put it towards the salt in this year's budget.

Trinette Kososki from 12 S School St. put in a good word for Officer Mittelstadt. She explained how he recently handled a call that she was involved in. She also spoke on some problems that she was having with her landlord.

Consent Agenda.

Approve the Minutes of the November 10, 2008 and November 17, 2008 meetings. Motion by Ald. Nitschke, second by Ald. Smith to approve the minutes of the above meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

REPORT OF OFFICERS:**Mayor-Monthly Report.****A. Comments on 2009 Budget.**

The Mayor gave his report. Written report attached to minutes.

B. 2009 Financial Comparison Report.

The Mayor gave his report. Written report attached to minutes.

City Clerk - Monthly Report.**A. Spring Election Candidacy Papers.**

Kathie reported that candidacy papers are now available for the April 2009 Election. Wards up for election are Wards 1, 3 & 5. The first day to circulate Nominations Papers was December 1, 2008. The final day for filing nominations papers in the office of the City Clerk is 5:00 p.m. on January 6, 2009. The last day for incumbents not seeking re-election to file a Notification of Noncandidacy form is Friday, December 26, 2008.

Discuss/Approve the following Operator's Licenses:

Motion by Ald. Nitschke, second by Ald. Moede to approve the following operator's licenses. Motion carried 6-0.

Christopher Berres, Mayville.

Jeffrey Cook, Hartland.

Ashley Hug, Iron Ridge.

Matthew Kinnard, Horicon.

Dale Raschke, Mayville.

COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS:

Personnel Committee:

Resolution 4273-2008 (Resolution to Hire Candidate for Comptroller/Treasurer Position).

Motion by Ald. Smith, second by Ald. Hoy to approve Resolution 4273-2008 Resolution to Hire Candidate for Comptroller/Treasurer Position. Motion carried 6-0.

Date and Time of Next Meeting is Monday, December 15, 2008, immediately following Public Safety.

Finance Committee:

Payment of Bills. (\$294,779.97)

Motion by Ald. Pasbrig, second by Ald. Smith to approve the payment of the bills. Motion carried 6-0.

Resolution 4270-2008 (Disallow Claim of Rodney & Denise Vorlob).

Motion by Ald. Nitschke, second by Ald. Moede to approve Resolution 4270-2008 Disallow Claim of Rodney & Denise Vorlob. Motion carried 6-0.

Resolution 4271-2008 (Approve 2009 Wages/Salaries for Non-Union and Part-Time Personnel).

Motion by Ald. Voss, second by Ald. Nitschke to approve Resolution 4271-2008 Approve 2009 Wages/Salaries for Non-Union and Part-Time Personnel. Motion carried 6-0.

Ordinance 1013-2008 – To Be Acted Upon (An Ordinance Creating Section 395 of the Mayville Municipal Code Relating to Vehicle Registration Fee).

Motion by Ald. Smith, second by Ald. Pasbrig to approve Ordinance 1013-2008 An Ordinance Creating Section 395 of the Mayville Municipal Code Relating to Vehicle Registration Fee. Kathie reviewed the vehicles that were exempt from the vehicle registration fee. The Mayor expressed his opposition on this ordinance and stated that he will veto the ordinance if passed. Motion carried 6-0.

Resolution 4272-2008 (Approve Review of Vehicle Registration Fee Ordinance Annually).

Motion by Ald. Pasbrig, second by Ald. Nitschke to approve Resolution 4272-2008 Approve Review of Vehicle Registration Fee Ordinance Annually. Motion carried 6-0.

Date and Time of Next Meeting is Tuesday, December 16, 2008, immediately following Public Works.

Public Safety Committee:

1. Monthly Report of Fire Chief.

A. New NFPA code on Christmas Trees.

Roger Williams reported that there is a new NFPA code on Christmas Trees. The code involves churches that have real Christmas trees. He has contacted the churches and he has allowed them to have the trees.

2. Monthly Report of EMS Director.

A. Ad Placed to Hire Additional EMT's.

Christine Churchill reported that she has placed an ad to hire additional EMT's. They currently have three new students that are drivers that are in school to be EMT's and in May they will be certified EMT's. It was found that there is a passed resolution that addresses the residency of EMT's so this will be addressed at the next public safety meeting.

B. Emergency Furnace Repair on Wisconsin Power & Light side of EMS Building.

Christine reported that the cost of the repair was \$198.00.

Date and Time of Next Meeting Monday, December 15, 2008, at 6:30 p.m.

Public Works Committee:

Ordinance 1012-2008 – To Be Acted Upon (An Ordinance Amending Section 368-4 of the Mayville Municipal Code Relating to Snow and Ice Removal).

Motion by Ald. Pasbrig, second by Ald. Hoy to approve Ordinance 1012-2008 An Ordinance Amending Section 368-4 of the Mayville Municipal Code Relating to Snow and Ice Removal. Vern explained the changes to the ordinance. He also stated that the DPW will be doing the inspections. Last year there were only twelve habitual people. Motion carried 5-1 with Ald. Voss voting nay.

Date and Time of Next Meeting Tuesday, December 16, 2008, at 6:30 p.m.

Planning Commission:

Date and Time of Next Meeting, Wednesday, January 28, 2009, at 7:00 p.m.

Water/Wastewater Commission:

Ordinance 1014-2008 – To Be Acted Upon (An Ordinance Amending Section 355-28 G (2) and (3) of the Mayville Municipal Code Relating to Sanitary Sewer Connection Fees).

Motion by Ald. Hoy, second by Ald. Nitschke to approve Ordinance 1014-2008 An Ordinance Amending Section 355-28 G (2) and (3) of the Mayville Municipal Code Relating to Sanitary Sewer Connection Fees. Motion by Ald. Smith, second by Ald. Pasbrig to amend Ordinance 1014-2008 to change the last sentence in Section 355-28 G (3) to read “The connection charge shall be as follows:”. Motion carried 6-0 to amend the ordinance. Motion carried 6-0 to approve Ordinance 1014-2008.

Date and Time of Next Meeting is January 6, 2009, at 7:00 p.m.

Park Board:

Date and Time of Next Meeting is February 4, 2009, at 4:30 p.m.

Library Board:

Date and Time of Next Meeting is December 11, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. at the Library.

Senior Center Board:

Review of Activities/Attendance at Center.

Ald. Nitschke reviewed the activity from the past month. 308 meals on wheels served, 253 people played cards, 262 dinners served, 85 people attended the Senior meeting, 42 people attended the open bingo, 50 people attended the members only bingo, and 1,000 people used the facility.

Date and Time of Next Meeting is December 9, 2008, at 6:00 p.m.

Golf Course Advisory Commission:

Date and Time of Next Meeting will be Tuesday, December 9, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. at the Golf Course.

ADJOURNMENT.

Motion by Ald. Nitschke, second by Ald. Hoy to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Kathie Wild, City Clerk

Mayor's Report

A. Comments on 2009 Budget

- a. I would like to take just a moment to briefly recap the 2009 budget and budget process.
- b. First of all – next year's process will start much sooner than this year's did, which I believe should result in fewer meetings and decisions that are more self-evident.
- c. As contentious as this process was – the end result is what matters. And while substantial reductions were made in some critical areas – especially Public Works – we managed to come out with a budget that is heading us back in the right direction of rebuilding our cash funds. This will take awhile – but this year we turned the corner and we got started.
- d. 2009 will bring with it some expected - and some unexpected - expenses that may affect our budget – but if we keep in front of us the goals that we adopted (which we will revisit in January) then we need not worry about the decisions we have to make.
- e. Next year's budget process should have a different focus. Going forward our emphasis must be on marketing – attracting businesses as soon as possible to increase our tax base – not our taxes - and I would like to thank the council for passing a budget with the marketing dollars intact. We will now place a real focus on marketing our Industrial Park, our Historic Downtown District and our outlying commercial areas.

B. 2009 Financial Comparison Report

- a. Last year in January I provided a Financial Trends and Comparisons report that compared Mayville to 6 other Wisconsin communities of comparable size – in several different categories. This report also showed a 10-year history of Mayville in key areas such as population, budget size, overall debt, etc.
- b. I will again work with the staff to provide another report, this time focusing on those categories that most have agreed were the most useful.
- c. While staffing level comparisons may not be as useful at this time, we may consider a wage comparison study, since it is a goal of the Finance and Personnel committees to revisit our wage scale.
- d. I would like to ask the council members and department heads to let me know if there are any other categories you would like to consider for this report before we request the information from the six other communities.