

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, Mike Kurutz, Sally Kahlhamer, Chris MacNeill, Vern Hilker, Roger Williams, Tim Bachhuber, Dena Harris, Zack Heilprin, Merlin Kahlhamer, Sue Smith, Brandon Nebl, Brian Wendorff, Mary Breitreutz, Malia Selsing, Ranee Dejanovich, Lori Tapola, Curt Knoll, Chris Tighe, Kathy Matuszewski, Scott Dutzle, Christine Churchill, Dave Dejanovich, John Hennig, Barb Hennig, Sue Wiese, Roger Billington

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Citizen Comments.**

Ald. Moede expressed his sympathy on behalf of the council to Mayor Heron for the recent passing of his father.

**Consent Agenda.**

Approve the Minutes of the September 8, 2008 and September 15, 2008 meetings. Motion by Ald. Voss, second by Ald. Nitschke to approve the minutes of the above meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

**REPORT OF OFFICERS:****Mayor-Monthly Report.**

The Mayor announced he was moving items 2-4 up on his report.

**Resolution 4256-2008 (Appreciation of Service to Tim Bachhuber).**

Motion by Ald. Moede, second by Ald. Nitschke to approve resolution 4256-2008 Appreciation of Service to Tim Bachhuber. Motion carried 6-0.

**Resolution 4257-2008 (Appreciation of Service to John Hennig).**

Motion by Ald. Pasbrig, second by Ald. Smith to approve resolution 4257-2008 Appreciation of Service to John Hennig. Motion carried 6-0.

**Resolution 4258-2008 (Appreciation of Service to Barb Hennig).**

Motion by Ald. Moede, second by Ald. Voss to approve resolution 4258-2008 Appreciation of Service to Barb Hennig. Motion carried 6-0.

**A. Comments on Budget Process.**

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

**Comptroller-Treasurer - Monthly Report.****A. Financial Report.**

The Mayor read the figures for September 2008.

**B. 2009 Budget Update.**

Shelly reported that department heads will be available for the Thursday budget meeting.

Representatives from Chamber and Main Street will also be there to present their requests. Our net new construction is 0.722%. She is still waiting on the final assessment numbers and also the lottery credit.

**City Clerk - Monthly Report.****A. Fall 2008 Election Update.**

Kathie reminded everyone that the General Election is November 4<sup>th</sup>. The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. If anyone is not registered please stop at City Hall to fill out an application. Kathie encourage everyone to come to City Hall and register before the election if you are not a registered voter. You can also register by mail up to October 15<sup>th</sup>. Registering before the election will eliminate your wait time at the polls. Also if you are a registered voter but have moved or have had a name change since you voted last you will need to fill out a new voter registration form. If you are not sure if you are a registered voter please call City Hall or go to the Voter Public Access website [www.vpa.wi.gov](http://www.vpa.wi.gov). People can also vote by absentee ballot. The deadline for making application to vote absentee for the General Election by mail is 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 30, 2008, and the deadline for voting an absentee ballot in the clerk's office is 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 3, 2008. Kathie reported that approximately 120 absentee ballot requests have been received so far.

**Discuss/Approve the following Operator's Licenses:**

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

Brittany Herther, West Bend.

Kevin Martin, Mayville.

David Neal, Mayville.

Joel Porter, Mayville.

Lori Rutherford, Kewaskum.

Margaret Streit, Mayville.

Robin Stocker, Campbellsport.

**COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS:**

**Personnel Committee:**

Date and Time of Next Meeting is Monday, October 20, 2008, immediately following Public Safety.

**Finance Committee:**

**Payment of Bills. (\$412,641.559)**

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

**Resolution 4259-2008 (Approve Mayville Golf Club Inc. to Purchase Greens Mower).**

Motion by Ald. Moede, second by Ald. Smith to approve resolution 4259-2008 Approve Mayville Golf Club Inc. to Purchase Greens Mower. Motion carried 6-0.

Date and Time of Next Meeting is Tuesday, October 21, 2008, immediately following Public Works.

**Public Safety Committee:**

**Monthly Report of Fire Chief.**

**A. Fire Prevention Week Activities.**

Chief Williams reported that last week they did something different for fire prevention week. They didn't have an open house like they have done the past couple of years. Instead they had six members go into local schools and talk to the students. The six members will be coming in to the Public Safety meeting next week to talk about their experience.

**Ordinance 1011-2008 – To Be Acted Upon (An Ordinance Amending Section 247-7 of the Mayville Municipal Code Relating to the Investigation of Intoxication Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverages).**

Motion by Ald. Smith, second by Ald Pasbrig to approve Ordinance 1011-2008 An Ordinance Amending Section 247-7 of the Mayville Municipal Code Relating to the Investigation of Intoxication Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverages. Motion carried 6-0.

Date and Time of Next Meeting Monday, October 20, 2008, at 6:30 p.m.

**Public Works Committee:**

Date and Time of Next Meeting Tuesday, October 21, 2008, at 6:30 p.m.

**Planning Commission:**

Date and Time of Next Meeting, Wednesday, October 22, 2008, at 7:00 p.m.

**Water/Wastewater Commission:**

Date and Time of Next Meeting is November 4, 2008, at 7:00 p.m.

**Park Board:**

Date and Time of Next Meeting is November 5, 2008, at 4:30 p.m.

**Library Board:**

Date and Time of Next Meeting is November 13, 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. 335 meals on wheels served, 272 people played cards, 281 dinners served, 51 people attended the Senior meeting, 46 people attended the open bingo, 44 people attended members only bingo and 1,029 people used the facility.

Date and Time of Next Meeting is October 14, 2008, at 6:00 p.m.

**Golf Course Advisory Commission:**

Date and Time of Next Meeting will be Tuesday, October 14, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. at the Golf Course.

**ADJOURNMENT.**

Motion by Ald. Nitschke, second by Ald. Hoy to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Kathie Wild, City Clerk

October 13, 2008

Mayville Common Council Mtg. - Mayor's Report

### **Comments on Budget Process**

Past practice – and common practice for many cities - is for the Mayor to present to the council the budget pretty much as submitted by department heads and then the council would deliberate on what to cut out in order to not exceed revenues and levy limits.

The budget presented to me had roughly a \$94,000 shortfall with \$9,400 surplus applied to the General Fund.

I am confident that we cannot afford to continue past practices.

This year we need to turn a hard corner with our budget in order to pursue a better position for the city's financial future.

I have directed all department heads to provide 15% cuts in their budgets – or to achieve a 15% increase with additional revenues.

Ideally we want to “grow” our way through these budget cycles and into the future instead of constantly cutting and borrowing, but since our growth is modest – cut we must and borrow we will.

The budget I am presenting has a surplus of \$240,000 with no shortfall, but this comes at a price. Departments have been operating on zero percent increases for a number of years – so 15% would have a major impact on most departments.

It's important to point out that departments do not have a lot of “fat” to cut out – and the department heads have been doing a good job at providing services required of them.

But we must turn the corner and begin rebuilding our undesignated – and other – funds in order to:

- assist new businesses as they consider Mayville
- partner with existing businesses so they can expand here in Mayville rather than some other city
- Decrease our dependency on borrowing for every capital item

The budget that I have presented may not look like the final budget that we will approve – but it will be close.

I'm not stuck on 15% - but I am insistent that we take an objective look at the responsibilities of municipal government and that the budget we finalize will clearly reflect the priorities of the people.