

Chilton, Wisconsin
January 15, 2019

The regular meeting of the Chilton Common Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Rick Jaeckels presiding in the council chambers at the Chilton City Hall.

AGENDA POSTING:

On 1/11/19, copies of the agenda were delivered to the Mayor, Aldermen, City Attorney, and City Department Heads, were made available to the media, and posted on the City Hall bulletin board and city web page.

COMMON COUNCIL ROLL CALL:

Mayor Rick Jaeckels and seven members of the Council were present at roll call:

Council Member Clayton Thornber	Council Member Ron Gruett
Council Member Dan Hilton	Council Member Mike Goebel
Council Member Tom Reinl	Council Member Kathy Schmitzer
Council Member Mark Willems	

Other city officials present were Police Chief Craig Plehn, Fire Chief Ben Schoenborn, First Assistant Fire Chief Nathan Schneider, City Attorney Derek McDermott Director of Public Works Todd Schwarz and Deputy City Clerk Lisa Meyer.

General Attendance: Thomas Austin and Tim Schoenborn.

Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Hilton, seconded by Gruett and carried to approve the minutes of the council meeting held on December 18, 2018.

REPORT OF OFFICERS:

MAYOR:

- The County is hosting a meeting regarding the jail project on January 30, 2019.

FIRE CHIEF:

- The Fire Department purchased new pagers in October of 2018, and some of the old ones were sold but the department is keeping some for new members.
- The Department is participating in the Calumet County Rescue Task force.
- The Department made a record of 118 fire calls in 2018.
- The State is requiring more training and certification of firefighters so the department will be evaluating its bylaws and making changes.
- The Department will schedule the annual preventative maintenance for the trucks.
- The Department will be replacing turn-out gear that has been budgeted in 2019. Typically, they last 15 years but many have extended beyond the 15-year life.

Fire Chief Schoenborn introduced his son, Tim Schoenborn as a potential new member of the Fire Department. 1st Assistant Fire Chief Schneider advised the council that Tim has completed the interview process and background check in addition he does live within the Fire District.

Moved by Willems, seconded by Reinl to approve Tim Schoenborn to join the City of Chilton Fire Department contingent upon passing pre-employment testing. Roll call vote.

Gruett – yes	Willems – yes	Reinl – yes	Thornber – yes
Schmitzer – yes	Hilton – yes	Goebel - yes	

Seven votes cast. Seven votes aye. Motion carried.

Deputy Clerk Meyer noted that Schoenborn is required to complete the pre-employment testing and payroll paperwork before starting his duties as a firefighter.

CITY CLERK:

- ↻ Tax collection and dog license renewals are going well.
- ↻ April 2, 2019 spring election candidates for city council positions filed papers:

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- Ward 1 – Ron Gruett.
- Wards 2/5- Clayton Thornber and Greg Kubichka.
- Ward 3 – Mike Goebel.
- Ward 4 – Dan Hilton.
- Ward 4 – Andrew Deehr (one-year term).

APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORT:

Moved by Thornber, seconded by Hilton and carried to accept the January 1, 2019 financial report.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS:

- Per Ordinance No. 1155 that was passed at the last council meeting to decrease the speed limit to 35 mph, the speed limit signs have been changed on Hwy 151 North and Hwy 57 South.
- The department has been picking up Christmas trees prior to the once a month brush pickup to avoid trees blowing in the streets.
- The WWTP is working on the annual Tier 2 reports for WI Emergency Management.
- The Water Department is working on the well monitoring assessments to check for contaminants surrounding the wells.
- The County has now obtained the property at 516 W Breed Street. The County will auction off the property on February 10. The county will advise any potential buyers of the public nuisance violations on the property which will be enforced by the city.
- The City took down a private tree that fell into the river and was causing water to overflow near Riverside Park. The cost to remove the tree was approximately \$800 and DPW Schwarz has been in contact with the property owner to discuss who will pay for the tree removal.
- There is a Class Action suit pending in Minnesota and Western Wisconsin against Kimberly Clark and Rockline regarding flushable wipes. Atty McDermott, DPW Schwarz and WWTP Leadman Tim Keuler had a conference call today with some attorneys regarding the flushable wipes. The attorneys are interested in Tim Keuler’s testing results of the flushable wipes. Keuler tested some wipes in tap water at room temperature and stirred the wipes every 15 minutes for three hours and the wipes did not dissolve. Kimberly Clark’s testing consisted of agitating the wipes continuously whereby they always break down. The City will await the result of the trial, which is scheduled for July.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: Tom Austin was present and spoke to the council regarding a letter CREI, LLC received from the City. CREI owns the property located at 1251 E Chestnut Street in the City of Chilton and is renting the property to Austin Management Services until spring. The letter from the city pertains to shipping containers that are stored on the property. The letter states that this property is zoned commercial and shipping containers are not allowed on the property and are to be removed within 30 days. Mr. Austin buys and sells the shipping containers and this property at 1251 E Chestnut Street is a temporary solution to leasing industrial property at another location within the City. Mr. Austin is requesting a 30-day extension in order to remove the shipping containers.

Alderman Reinl reminded Mr. Austin that this issue is not on the agenda so the council cannot take action on his request.

Attorney McDermott advised Mr. Austin to secure a lease on an Industrial site in order to pursue a conditional use permit for the shipping containers and the Council will put on the agenda for the next meeting, which is Tuesday, February 5, 2019.

NEW BUSINESS:

Moved by Hilton, seconded by Willems to approve the quote of \$18,694.00 from Feldo Factory Direct for CDBG Loan No. 18-05 to replace 25 windows. (Owner will pay \$3,694.00). Roll call vote.

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| Gruett – yes | Willems – yes | Reinl – yes | Thornber – yes |
| Schmitzer – yes | Hilton – yes | Goebel - yes | |

Seven votes cast. Seven votes aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Thornber, seconded by Hilton to approve the 2018 year-end account appropriations as follows:

100-48503-000	Various Donations-City	\$ 9,197.00	
100-56500-340	Housing-Misc. Oper-CACF Grant sponsor-Ch. Housing		\$ 3,000.00
100-53726-340	American Transmission Co.- Arbor Day		\$ 300.00
100-57324-820	League Safety Grant-Bobcat Wood Chipper		\$ 525.00
100-57620-820	League Safety Grant-Jacobsen Turfcat		\$ 762.00
100-52101-810	Walmart-Police Dept		\$ 1,500.00
100-52101-356	Police Dept-Capital-Milk Source LLC ammo, Taser cartrdg		\$ 1,000.00
100-52201-340	Fire Dept-Capital-Milk Source LLC-boots		\$ 1,000.00
100-55306-821	City Band-Eugene Totzke memorial		\$ 1,110.00
100-48300-000	Property Sales	\$ 42,623.23	
100-57220-820	Fire Dept-Capital-Sale of 1986 Ford-Joel Portmann		\$ 2,323.23
100-57220-820	Fire Dept-Capital-Sale of 1997 Saber-Friesland FD		\$ 35,000.00
100-57620-820	Parks-Capital-Sale of 1992 Jacobsen Turfcat		\$ 500.00
100-57324-820	Street Machinery-Sale of 1990 Bandit Brush Chipper		\$ 4,500.00
100-52201-810	Fire Dept-Capital-Sale of 14 old pagers-United Comm.		\$ 300.00
100-46720-000	Park Land Dedication	\$ 10,400.00	
100-55201-821	Parks-Capital		\$ 10,400.00
100-46710-000	Library Fines	\$ -	\$ 809.07
100-46712-000	Library Photocopies	\$ 241.17	
100-48501-000	Library Gifts	\$ 2,157.04	
100-55113-325	Library Revenue/Expense--Books		\$ 1,589.14
100-47400-000	DPW Services-Equip. Rent	\$ 4,152.33	
100-53240-810	Street Machinery - Capital Equipment		\$ 4,152.33

Roll call vote.

Gruett – yes Willems – yes Reinl – yes Thornber – yes
 Schmitzer –yes Hilton – yes Goebel - yes

Seven votes cast. Seven votes aye. Motion carried.

DPW Schwarz received three quotes to raze and remove the house at 225 N. Irish Road (former Vogt house). Schwarz reminded the council that in July of 2018 the council denied a quote of \$29,185.00 from Grube Construction to raze and remove the house. Fire Chief Schoenborn was also considering using the home to train firefighters but because the DNR requires numerous permits, decided against the idea.

Moved by Willems, seconded by Thornber to accept the quote of \$8,999.00 from Kempen Excavating, LLC of Brillion to remove and dispose of house at 225 N. Irish Road and fill-in old basement with last 2-feet of clean fill. Roll call vote.

Gruett – yes Willems – yes Reinl – yes Thornber – yes
 Schmitzer –yes Hilton – yes Goebel - yes

Seven votes cast. Seven votes aye. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Attorney McDermott informed the council that there is a vacant seat on the Council due to Mark Wiegert resigning at the November 20, 2018 council meeting. A resident has taking out papers for Wiegert’s replacement and will be on the ballot for the April 2, 2019 election for a one-year term. The Council may fill this seat prior to the April election by advertising the position in the newspaper. However, the council would then have to review the applications and make a decision and by that time, the election is a month away.

Moved by Thornber, seconded by Willems and carried to take no action on filling the council member vacancy until the April election.

Update regarding the Spetta property/former City of Chilton landfill located at 1509 Lime Kiln Road. DPW Schwarz reported Fehr Graham has sent a report to the DNR and once approved a final closure report will be submitted. The DNR is scheduled to meet on

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February 7, 2019 to discuss the findings. DPW Schwarz will keep the council advised.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

The minutes of the December 12, 2018 Plan Commission meeting were reviewed.

The November 14, 2018 Housing Authority minutes were reviewed.

COMMUNICATION:

The December building and plumbing report and the Calumet County Visitor Guide were distributed to the council members.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Moved by Hilton, seconded by Goebel to pay the bills. Voucher No. 83019 through Voucher No. 83189 or accounts payable and payrolls totaling \$2,141,069.05.

Roll call vote.

Gruett – yes Willems – yes Reintl – yes Thornber – yes

Schmitzer – abstain Hilton – yes Goebel - yes

Seven votes cast. Six votes aye. (Schmitzer-abstain). Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Schmitzer, seconded by Hilton and carried to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. on January 15, 2019.

Lisa Meyer, Deputy City Clerk