

These are the minutes of the Regular Session of the City of Adams, WI held on January 5, 2009 in the City Municipal Building.

Meeting was called to order by President Smith, who retained his voting privileges. On roll call were Alderpersons Jensen, LaQueue, Manthey, Robinson, Williams, Smith, Administrator Ellisor, Attorney Pollex, Chief Hanson and Street Superintendent Mead. Mayor Romell was excused.

Motion by Jensen, second by Williams to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2008 meeting as printed. Roll call vote, all voted aye.

Petitions and Communications: None presented.

Report of Standing Committees:

Policy and Procedure Committee: (The Committee met December 18, 2008)

Motions were made to refer the Bow Hunting to Planning and Zoning Committees.

Motions were made to table the room tax until a sample ordinance is complete for review.

Motions were made to table snow removal until the next meeting.

Public Works Committee: (The Committee met December 17, 2008)

In petitions and communications, discussion was held regarding water chlorination. It will continue due to the water main break.

Discussed the County plowing too fast on Main Street. Public Works crew will clean the sidewalks.

Discussion was held on ordinances 10-4-1, 10-4-2 and 6-2-7. Policy and Procedure Committee will be meeting to discuss snow removal ordinance for ATV's.

Water backup problem by Cedar Street was resolved.

Six bids were received for the test well. Sam's Well Drilling was the lowest bid of \$31,950.00. This will be referred to the Finance Committee for approval.

Discussion was held about the Federal Stimulus Program: City Program/Project Concepts.

Finance Committee: (The Committee met December 30, 2008)

In petitions and communications, discussion held regarding the trial use of the Skidsteer. Checks received from the insurance policy were reviewed.

Recommendations were made to renew the contract with Johnson, Block and Company for \$15,900 and \$790 for TIF work.

Recommendations were made to accept the bid from Sam's Well Drilling in the amount of \$31,950 for the test well.

Reviewed the budget update and fire protection meter rates.

Recommendations were made to pay the bills.

Report of City Officers:

Administrator Ellisor: Reported two dividend checks were received from the Insurance Company. The Workman's Compensation check was \$3,383 and the General Liability was \$1,470. The City was designated for the fourteen year as Tree City. He is working with the auditors on the fire protection charge being transferred from the General Property Taxes to the Utility. A letter will be sent to the Public Service Commission. The auditors will prepare a report for a rate review.

Attorney Pollex: Stated that December was a busy month for him. He has met with Building Inspector White on parcels that need to come into compliance or raze. He is also working on updating the City's zoning regulations. He received samples from other communities to review. The Mayor asked him to review the water purchase agreement with Friendship. Attorney Pollex stated that he had been addressed if an Alderperson can also be an election official. He stated as long as they are not a candidate on the ballot, or have any affiliation with a candidate. However, in a small town there will be some point of a relationship. Or, if an Alderperson openly supports a candidate, it is not generally a good idea to be an election official. Six trials are scheduled for next week. He has met with the Housing Authority regarding their contract. Two of the three residents have complied with Utility hookup.

Chief Hanson: He stated he would like to clarify the citation issued relating to ATV operation and snow removal. The citation was issued for operating the ATV on City streets. This individual had been previously warned. Officers were trained with tactical rifles last month. A squad meeting is scheduled for Wednesday at 5:00 P.M. District Attorney Thibodeau will be giving a legal update. The squad will be in the shop for the damages that occurred when it was hit. He can not attend the next meeting as he will be gone for training.

Street Superintendent Mead: Reported they are clearing streets and removing snow piles. Bruce Bain has returned to work. The chute for snow blowing will be in next week. He stated they will be able to remove snow in a City block in a matter of minutes. They had a service lateral repair call, it was in the property owner's portion and they are responsible. They will be testing well #2 tomorrow, this takes up to two hours.

New and Unfinished Business:

Motion by Williams, second by LaQuee to approve the election inspector appointments. Roll call vote: Jensen, LaQuee, Robinson, Smith and Williams – aye; Manthey – abstained.

Motion by Williams, second by Jensen to approve Audit fee to Johnson Block and Company, Inc for \$15, 900 and \$790 for TIF reports. Roll call vote, all voted aye.

Motion by LaQuee, second by Williams to approve the test well bid amount from Sam's Well Drilling for \$31,950. Roll call vote, all voted aye.

Motion by Manthey, second by Robinson to approve the Mayor's Appointment of Donald Ranta to the Planning Commission. Roll call vote: Jensen, LaQuee, Manthey, Robinson, and Smith– aye; Williams – abstained.

Motion by Williams, second by LaQuee to approve disposition of surplus property by sealed bids. Roll call vote, all voted aye.

Motion by LaQuee, second by Jensen to approve issuance of Operator License to Tamara C. Beck. Roll call vote, all voted aye.

Motion by Jensen, second by Williams to approve payment of bills. Roll call vote, all voted aye.

Motion by Williams, second by Jensen to adjourn. Roll call vote, all voted aye.

Janet L. Winters
Clerk/Treasurer