

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AUGUST 12, 2019 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was opened by announcing this was an open meeting of the Common Council. Notice of this meeting was given to the public at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting by forwarding the complete agenda to the official City newspaper, The New Richmond News, and to all news media who have requested the same as well as posting. Copies of the complete agenda were available for inspection at the City Clerk's office and on the City's website at [www.newrichmondwi.gov](http://www.newrichmondwi.gov). Anyone desiring information as to forthcoming meetings should contact the City Clerk's office.

Roll call was taken.

Members Present: Mayor Fred Horne, Alderman Kittel, Lindell, Weinmeyer, Montello, Zajkowski and Volkert

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Alderman Kittel moved to adopt the agenda as presented moving item 9f to 9a, seconded by Alderman Montello and carried.

**Public Comment**

None

**Mayor's Reading Challenge Awards**

Participants who completed the Mayor's Reading Challenge were awarded a medal and certificate at the meeting and had their picture taken with the Mayor. There were 85 participants who completed the challenge this year from age four to grade five.

**Consent Agenda**

1. Approval of the Minutes from the Previous Regular Council Meeting, July 8, 2019
2. Applications for License to Serve from Julie L. Martin, Osceola; Rusty R. Tuttle, Osceola; Christina M. Rineck, Glenwood City; and Justin A. Doriott, New Richmond
3. Application for Temporary Class B License from Knights of Columbus for September 8, 15, 22, 27, 29, October 6, 13, 20, 25, 27, November 3, 10, 17, 24, 29, December 1, 8, 15, 22, 27, and 29
4. Applications for Run/Walk Permit from St. Mary's School & Request to Waive Fees for October 12, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.; and From New Richmond Area Centre for Corn Fest on August 24, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.
5. Payment of VO#63705 through VO#63829 totaling \$419, 160.91 plus electronic fund transfers totaling \$827,623.07 for a grand total of \$1,246,783.98

General Fund	\$1,093,111.15
Impact Fees Fund	24,715.84
Cemetery Fund	2,087.30
CDBG – Housing	1,852.36
Debt Service Fund	4,166.67
Capital Replacement Fund	10,455.00
Landfill Cleanup Fund	5,976.53
Storm Water Utility	12,020.76
Park land Trust Fund	58,649.38
Tax Agency Fund	17,144.25
Recycling/Compost/Yard Waste	16,604.74
6. Donation from Bernie Colbeth of \$100 for the K-9 Unit
7. Department Reports - Administration, Finance, Planning, Community Development, Public Works, Police, Fire, Library, Airport, and City Clerk

Alderman Montello moved to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Alderman Kittel and carried.

### **Updated Master SOAR Agreement**

Nick Vivian, City Attorney, explained the updated Master SOAR agreement. Discussion followed. Alderman Montello moved to approve the agreement and lease as presented, seconded by Alderman Kittel and carried.

### **Consideration of Proposed Water and Sewer Rate Changes**

Joel Enders gave background information on the proposed rate changes. A rate study was completed and several community meetings have been held in the past several months.

Alderman Montello moved to approve the water rate recommendation as presented, seconded by Alderman Lindell and carried.

Alderman Kittel offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

#### RESOLUTION #081901

#### RESOLUTION AMENDING WASTEWATER UTILITY RATE SCHEDULE

WHEREAS wastewater services are considered vital for the health, quality of life, and safety of all residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS the New Richmond Common Council finds it necessary to amend the Wastewater Utility rate schedule in order to adequately recover the costs associated with providing wastewater services, meet current and future regulatory and capital requirements, minimize future debt issuance, and ensure that costs are fairly distributed among customer classes; and

WHEREAS the New Richmond Utility Commission approved the rates set forth in Attachment 1 on July 10, 2019, in accordance with Section 86-34 of the New Richmond Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS sewer rates have not increased since 2012;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of New Richmond that the rate schedule set forth in Attachment 1 is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these rates shall be effective November 1, 2019.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Zajkowski and carried.

### **Plan Commission Recommendation – Attachment Application from Gaylene Camacho**

Noah Wiedenfeld explained the Plan Commission and Development Review Committee recommended approval of the application for attachment from Gaylene Camacho for property located in Star Prairie Township at 2036 Hwy 65 and described as SEC 24 T31N R18W PT NE SE & PT SE SE; CSM 17-4523 LOT 1 (29.660AC) HWY PROJECT 8936-06-21 EZ-I-2157/098. The recommended zoning was Z7 Specific Use/Industrial District. The Comprehensive Plan guides this area for a business park or industrial use. Alderman Zajkowski moved to suspend the rules and adopt Ordinance #535 attaching this property to the City of New Richmond with Z-7 Zoning, seconded by Alderman Lindell and carried.

### **2018 Auditor Report**

Amanda Mboga, from Baker Tilly, gave an overview of the 2018 audit report. Discussion followed.

### **Freedom Park Master Plan**

Noah Wiedenfeld explained the existing Master Plan was completed back in 2005. Staff would like to get feedback from the community to update the plan as needed and prepare a phased approach for park development with identified sources of funds. The updated plan will address soil conditions, extension of public utilities, stormwater management, parking needs, restroom needs, etc. Firms submitted proposals in June and interviews were held in July. The Park Board recommends approval of a contract with Short-Elliott-Hendrickson in the amount not to exceed \$16,900 with the funds to come from Parkland Trust Funds. Alderman Kittel moved to accept this recommendation, seconded by Alderman Zajkowski and carried.

**Mayor's Appointments**

Mayor Horne appointed Rose Kosin to the Park Board. Alderman Kittel moved to confirm this appointment, seconded by Alderman Montello and carried.

**Communications and Miscellaneous**

None

Alderman Lindell moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman Kittel, and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Tanya Batchelor  
City Clerk