City of Milton
Common Council Minutes

11/15/2016 - Minutes

1. **Call to Order and Confirmation of Appropriate Meeting Notice.**

   Mayor Welch called the November 15, 2016 Common Council meeting to order at approximately 7:00 p.m. City Clerk/Deputy Treasurer Hilby confirmed appropriate meeting notices were posted.

   Present: Mayor Anissa Welch, Ald. Dave Adams, Ald. Jeremy Zajac, Ald. Maxine Striegl, Ald. Ryan Holbrook, and Ald. Nancy Lader.

   Also Present: City Administrator Al Hulick, Finance Director Dan Nelson, Police Chief Scott Marquardt, Library Director Lisa Brooks, DPW Director Howard Robinson, Assistant to the City Administrator Inga Cushman, and City Clerk/Deputy Treasurer Elena Hilby.

2. **Approval of Agenda**
   Ald. Striegl moved to approve the agenda. Ald. Clark seconded, and the motion carried.

3. **Public comments regarding items which can be affected by Council Action**

   Mayor Welch welcomed those in attendance and asked if there were any registered speakers. The following resident spoke during public comments:

   - Larry Laehn of 216 N. Janesville St spoke regarding the budget.

4. **Approval of the Consent Agenda**
   Ald. Clark moved to approve the consent agenda with Ald. Striegl in abstention of item 4c. Ald. Adams seconded, and the motion carried.

   4.a. Approval of Minutes - Common Council - November 1, 2016.

   4.b. Approval of Minutes - Personnel & Finance Committee Minutes – October 4, 2016.

   4.c. Personnel & Finance Committee Item: Approve Operator Licenses as Presented.

   4.d. Personnel & Finance Committee Item: Deny Operator's License for Molly N. Hickstein.

   4.e. Approval of Minutes - Public Safety Committee Minutes – September 20, 2016.

5. **City of Milton 2017 Budget Public Hearing and Presentation.**

   Administrator Hulick gave a presentation regarding the 2017 budget.

   Mayor Welch opened the public hearing at 7:41 p.m.

   - Larry Laehn of 216 N. Janesville St spoke regarding the budget.
   - Kari Klebba of the Milton Historical Society spoke regarding the budget.

   Mayor Welch closed the public hearing at 7:54 p.m.

6. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding 2017 Budget.**

   Ald. Zajac moved to reduce the budget amount allocated for the DPW barricade trailer by $6,000, to reduce the budget amount allcoated to non-profits by $12,202, and to allocate $10,000 of that buget item to the Milton Historical Society and the remaining $5,798 to the Gathering Place. Ald. Holbrook seconded and the motion passed on the following roll-call vote:

   Aye - Zajac, Holbrook, Clark, Welch.

   No - Adams, Striegl, and Lader.

7. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Ordinance 2016-426 - An Ordinance Creating Chapter 2 Article VII Division 5 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Milton Establishing a Motor Vehicle Registration Fee.**

   Ald. Adams moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2016-426. Ald. Lader seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

8. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Vacation of a Portion of Right-of-Way along S. Janesville St.**

   Administrator Hulick reviewed this item. Discussion followed. Ald. Clark moved to approve the vacation of a portion of right-of-way along S. Janesville St. Ald. Lader seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

9. **AMENDED Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the 2017 Refuse/Recycling Fee and Potential Future Contract with John's Disposal.**
   Ald. Adams moved to finish the contract with John's Disposal and then put the contract out for RFP at that time. Ald. Lader seconded, and the motion carried with Ald. Clark in opposition.

10. **General Items**

    Ald. Clark

    - Reminder that donations are being sought for the Merry Milton Holiday.
    - Reminder that we are looking for businesses interest in art students painting their walls for them.

11. **Next Meeting – Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.**

12. **Team Building Exercise.**

13. **Mayor and Alderperson Reports**

    Ald. Clark

    - Tourism committee is changing out some of the channels our commercial will air on.

    Mayor Welch

    - Thanked everyone who came out to celebrate Veteran's Day with us and expressed gratitude for those who served.

14. **Staff Reports**

15. **City Administrator**

- Extended a thanks to the Clerk's office for a well-run election.

16. **Chief of the Joint Fire Department**

17. **Chief of the Police Department**

18. **City Clerk/Deputy Treasurer**

    - There was an 84.8% turnout at last week's election.

19. **Director of Public Works**

    - We will still be collecting leaves until it snows.

20. **Director of the Library**

    - The substantial completion date is still December 16 and everyone is welcome to come and see it.
    - Furniture has been ordered and hoping that the grand opening will the second week of February 2017

21. **Finance Director**

22. **Closed session item: Consideration of a motion to convene into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85(1)(f), conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation which it is or is likely to become involved, reference complaints against and by Alderperson Lader.**
    Ald. Striegl moved to go into closed session at 9:11 p.m. Ald. Clark seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

23. **AMENDED Consideration of a motion to convene into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85 (1) (c), considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, regarding contract for City Assessor.**

24. **Reconvene into open session for possible action on Common Council ethics complaint regarding Alderperson Lader.**

    Ald. Clark moved to reconvene into open session at 10:50 p.m. Ald. Striegl seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

    Ald. Clark moved to withdraw the ethics complaint contingent upon Nancy Lader's dismissal with prejudice of the open meetings lawsuit and that she respond within 10 days. Ald. Adams seconded, and the motion carried with the following roll-call vote:

    Aye - Ald. Adams, Ald. Striegl, and Ald. Clark

    No - Ald. Zajac and Ald. Holbrook.

    Abstention - Ald. Lader

25. **AMENDED Reconvene into open session for possible action on contract for City Assessor.**
    Ald. Holbrook moved to authorize the City Administrator to negotiate a contract with Musser Apprisal

Service as proposed and bring it back to the Common Council for approval. Ald. Clark seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

26. Motion to Adjourn

Ald. Clark moved to adjourn the meeting of the Common Council at approximately 10:55 p.m. Ald. Holbrook seconded, and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Elena Hilby
City Clerk