CITY OF MERRILL

COMMON COUNCIL

MINUTES ● TUESDAY MAY 14, 2019

Regular Meeting | **City Hall Council Chambers** | **7:00 PM**

1. Call to Order

Mayor Woellner called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Paul Russell	Alderperson - First District	Present	
Steve Hass	Alderperson - Second District	Present	
Rick Blake	Alderperson - Third District	Present	
Steve Osness	Alderperson - Fourth District	Present	
John M. Van Lieshout	Alderperson - Fifth District	Present	
Dave Sukow	Alderperson - Sixth District	Present	
Rob Norton	Alderperson - Seventh District	Present	
Tim Meehean	Alderperson - Eighth District	Present	
Derek Woellner	Mayor	Present	

2. Silent Prayer
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Roll Call
5. Public Comment Period

Ryan Schwartzman thanked the Common Council, particularly Alderman Steve Hass and Alderman Dave Sukow, for their help and cooperation during his tenure as an alderman. He also expressed a thank you for the resolution he received in recognition for his years of service. He noted that he resigned from the Common Council due to family reasons and he announced that he plans on seeking the office of Mayor in 2022.

City Clerk Heideman issued a verbal reminder that it is premature to refer to or name “recall candidates” at this time.

6. Minutes of previous Common Council meeting(s):
   1. Minutes of April 9, 2019 Common Council meeting

The minutes were in the meeting packet.

Motion (Norton/Blake) to approve.

RESULT: **APPROVED**

7. Revenue & Expense Reports(s):
   1. Revenue & Expense Report for Period Ending April 30, 2019

Motion (Norton/Meehean) to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED

8. Communications and Petitions:

   1. Claim filed by Dennis M. Clark. The City's insurance carrier recommends that the claim be disallowed.

   Information on the claim was in the meeting packet.

   Motion (Hass/Meehean) to disallow.

RESULT:	DISALLOWED

9. General agenda items:

   1. Employee Years of Service Recognition:

      Terri Akey, 30 years (Library)

   City Clerk Heideman read a certificate of recognition for Terri Akey.

      Michael D. Weix, 30 years (Recycle)

   City Clerk Heideman read a certificate of recognition for Michael Weix.

      Thomas C. Teetzen, 15 years (Fire Department)

   City Clerk Heideman read a certificate of recognition for Thomas Teetzen.

   2. 2018 Audit Presentation by CliftonLarsonAllen LLP Repesentatives

   Information was in the meeting packet.

   A comprehensive audit report was presented to the Committee of the Whole at their meeting at 6:00 P.M. Representing CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, Dave Maccoux and Greg Pital shared highlights from that presentation.

10. Board of Public Works:

   1. Consider bid for paving the area around the Festival Grounds grandstand. Mayor Woellner is bringing this bid directly to the Common Council.

   The bid received was $70,313.36, from American Asphalt of Wisconsin.

   Motion (Norton/Meehean) to approve. Motion carried 6-2 on roll call vote. Voting No - Alderman Hass and Alderman Osness.

11. Health and Safety Committee:

   1. Application from Indianhead Oil Co., LLC for a Class "A" (Beer) and a "Class A" (Cider only) license for Holiday Stationstore #482, 1312 West Main Street, effective May 15th, 2019. The Health and Safety Committee recommends approval.

   Motion (Norton/Meehean) to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED

2. Application from the Lincoln County Rodeo Association Inc. for three temporary Class "B" (picnic) licenses to sell fermented malt beverages at the Merrill Festival Grounds during the Wisconsin River Pro Rodeo, June 7 - 9, 2019. The Health and Safety Committee recommends approval.

Motion (Sukow/Russell) to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED

12. Placing Committee Reports on File:

1. Consider placing the following committee reports on file: Airport Commission, Committee of the Whole, Festival Grounds Committee, Health & Safety Committee, Library Board, Merrill Area Housing Authority, Merrill Enrichment Center Committee, Parks & Recreation Commission, Personnel & Finance Committee, Redevelopment Authority, Transit Commission and Water & Sewage Disposal Committee.

Motion (Norton/Meehean) to place on file.

RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE

13. Mayor's Appointments:

Jean Ravn to the Parks & Recreation Commission, term to expire May 1, 2024

Dan Novitch to the Parks & Recreation Commission, term to expire May 1, 2024

Lisa Gervais to the Police & Fire Commission, term to expire May 1, 2024

Molly Stencil to the Merrill Enrichment Center Committee, term to expire May 1, 2020

Sharon Harvey to the Merrill Enrichment Center Committee, term to expire May 1, 2020

Gene Bebel to the Merrill Enrichment Center Committee, term to expire May 1, 2020

Laura Bertagnoli to the Merrill Enrichment Center Committee, to a term to expire May 1, 2020

Dave Vachavake to the Merrill Enrichment Center Committee, term to expire May 1, 2020

Rose Akey to the Merrill Enrichment Center Committee, term to expire May 1, 2020 (This is part of an amended agenda).

Alderman Dave Sukow to the Zoning Board of Appeals, term to expire May 1, 2022 (This is part of an amended agenda, the original agenda had Bill Schneider to be appointed).

Eric Ott to the Zoning Board of Appeals, term to expire May 1, 2022

Sue Kunkel to the Transit Commission, term to expire May 1, 2022

Gordon Geiger to the Transit Commission, term to expire May 1, 2022

Ronald Peterson to the Community Development Committee, term to expire May 1, 2022

Daniel Schneider to the Community Development Committee, term to expire May 1, 2022

Rebecca Welch to the Tourism Commission, term to expire May 1, 2020

Eric Ott to the Tourism Commission, term to expire May 1, 2020

Ernie Stender to the Tourism Commission, term to expire May 1, 2020

Mayor Woellner requested that he be allowed to remove the appointment of Dave Vachavake from the appointment list. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Motion (Hass/Osness) to approve the appointments, with the appointment of Dave Vachavake removed from the list.

RESULT:	**APPROVED**

14. Ordinances:

    1. None.

15. Resolutions:

    1. None.

16. Mayor's Communications

Mayor Woellner reminded everyone that Arbor Day will be Thursday, May 16th. Buddy Poppy Day will be Monday, May 20th. He noted that he ran his mayoral campaign on a theme of unity.

17. Adjournment

Motion (Norton/Hass) to adjourn. Carried. Adjourned at 7:50 P.M.