

**MINUTES OF THE
WATERTOWN CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Tuesday, January 9, 2007**

Prior to calling the regular meeting to order, K. J. McDonald was sworn in as mayor for a two-year term; Steven Duske and Earline King were each sworn in as council members for four-year terms; and Dan Geiger was sworn in as a council member for a two-year term.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the regular meeting of the Watertown City Council was called to order, on **Tuesday, January 9, 2007** by Mayor K. J. McDonald at 7:22 PM in the Watertown City Hall Council Chambers.

Upon roll call the following Council Members were present: McDonald, Dan Geiger, Rick Mann, Steven Duske and Earline King.

The following staff members were present: City Administrator David Mandt; City Attorney Dave Hubert; City Planner Crystal Foust, Interim Community Development Director Mark Kaltsas; City Engineer David Martini of Bolton & Menk, Inc.; Public Works Supt. Doug Kammerer; Finance Director Steven Wallner.

Others present were: Mike Dodge, Rev. Travis R. Rosinger, Julie Geiger, Brandy Blauert.

2. ADOPT AGENDA

Staff asked that the following items be added to the agenda: (3J) Watertown Rod & Gun Club application for gambling (raffles) and (6) Deputy Derek Sanderson under Celebrate Watertown.

DUSKE MOVED, KING SECONDED A MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA AS AMENDED. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

3. REVIEW OF CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Council minutes for December 12, 2006
- B. Pay request from City Building Official
- C. Pay Request from City Engineer
- D. Recommendation to appoint Eric Pouliot as a youth Park Commissioner
- E. Recommendation to approve Forest Hills letter of credit reduction
- F. Recommendation to approve 2007 animal control contract
- G. Recommendation to approve minutes for December 27 special meeting
- H. Claims roster for January 9
- I. Claims roster for second half of December as presented at Dec. 12 meeting
- J. Watertown Rod & Gun application for gambling license (raffles)

4. AGENDA APPROVAL

GEIGER MOVED, KING SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS AMENDED. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

5. OPEN FORUM

6. CELEBRATE WATERTOWN

- A. Watertown Deputy Derek Sanderson introduced himself to the public and and Council.

7. NEW/OLD BUSINESS

- A. Organizational Resolution for 2007. Council reviewed Resolution 2007-01-09-01 relating to the organization of the City of Watertown. All designations remain the same as 2006 with the following exceptions: Jim Bart as Deputy Clerk/Treasurer; Crystal Foust as City Planner; Hubie Widmer as Fire Chief; Salaries of mayor and council to be paid monthly; Salary of mayor is \$450 per month; Salary of each council member is \$350 per month; Commission meetings will be paid at \$30 per meeting attended; Hoff, Barry and Kozar was added as a second firm as city attorney; Stuart J. Bonniwell is appointed auditor; Associated Bank was added as an insurance consultant; Hubie Widmer appointed as civil defense director. Steven Duske was appointed acting mayor. Council member committee assignments remain the same as 2006 with the following exceptions: Geiger in place of Duske on the Personnel Committee;

MCDONALD MOVED, GEIGER SECONDED A MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2007-01-09-01 RELATING TO THE ORGANIZATION OF THE CITY OF WATERTOWN FOR 2007. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

- B. Community Center/Luce Line Lodge Garbage. Mandt stated that several options were presented to owners of the Luce Line Lodge at 305 Lewis Ave. S. (next to City Hall) for garbage collection and removal in combination with the city. McDonald stated that the owners said they would agree to build an enclosure at their expense for the city and Luce Line Lodge garbage receptacles in the area where the city's receptacles are now located. McDonald stated that the owners of the Luce Line Lodge would pay for garbage pick up three times each week. Mandt stated that this item would go before the Planning Commission and have to go through a site plan amendment.

8. CITY STAFF REPORTS

- A. Public Works Report. Kammerer gave the Council a report on water usage, wastewater influent flow, water meter change outs, hockey rink and recent snow fall.

9. COMMITTEE REPORT

10. **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

11. **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

12. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

A. McDonald praised everyone for the past year's accomplishments. He also thanked Carver County News for their reports to the citizens. He stated that he was happy about the excellent turn out for the staff open house prior to the council meeting.

13. **COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORT**

14. **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

A. Mandt gave an update on the Comprehensive Plan which includes upcoming meetings and goal setting workshops. He also gave a project update on the Community Center, goal setting meetings for February and March and a wrapup of last year's projects which will be presented at the next council meeting.

15. **FINANCE DIRECTOR REPORT**

16. **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

A. Foust stated that there will be discussion at the Planning Commission meeting January 18 as to who should steer the Comprehensive Plan.

17. **ADJOURNMENT**

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:06 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

ATTEST:

Steven Wallner
Clerk-Treasurer

K.J. McDonald
Mayor