

**MINUTES OF THE
WATERTOWN CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Tuesday, March 24, 2009**

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, March 24, 2009** by Mayor K. J. McDonald at 6:30 PM in the Watertown City Hall Council Chambers.

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

The following staff members were present: City Administrator David Mandt, Senior Planner Crystal Foust, City Engineer David Martini, Planning Consultant Mark Kaltsas and City Clerk-Treasurer and Finance Director Steven Wallner.

Also present were: Ned Schroeder, Fire Chief Wade Stock, Dan Geiger.

2. ADOPT AGENDA

Staff asked that item 3H (Water Shut Off List) be added to the agenda.

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

3. REVIEW OF CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Council minutes for February 24, 2009 meeting
- B. Pay request from MNSPECT
- C. Pay request from MK Land
- D. Pay request from Hoff, Barry and Kozar
- E. Pay request from Burns Excavating
- F. Recommendation to accept resignation of Kay Thul
- G. Authorization to post commission vacancy
- H. Water Shut Off List

MARTINEZ MOVED, MANN SECONDED A MOTION TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS AMENDED. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

4. OPEN FORUM

- A. Watertown Deputy Greg Gowan gave the Council an update on recent calls he has made in the community. He also warned residents about a telephone scam.

5. CELEBRATE WATERTOWN

- A. Certificates of appreciation were given to Kay Thul and Robert Veilleux of the Planning Commission and former Council Member Dan Geiger. The certificates were awarded for their years of service to the community.

6. NEW/OLD BUSINESS

- A. Adopt 2030 Comprehensive Plan. Watertown's comprehensive plan was approved by the Metropolitan Council Feb. 25, 2009. The Met Council approved the plan unanimously without any plan modifications. The staff, task force and others who assisted in the process were thanked by the Council for their work. Staff also prepared the final progress report for the Met Council and requested the remaining \$10,000 in grant money for a total of \$20,000 in completing the comprehensive plan.

DUSKE MOVED, KING SECONDED A MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2009-03-24-1 ADOPTING THE 2030 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

7. COMMITTEE REPORT

- A. FAB recommendation to purchase 1999 fire vehicle. The Chaska Fire Department was interested in selling their 1999 Chevy Suburban for \$5,000. The Watertown Fire Department is interested in purchasing the vehicle to replace the 1985 Blazer which will be returned to the DNR.

DUSKE MOVED, MANN SECONDED A MOTION TO FOLLOW THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FIRE ADVISORY BOARD BY AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF THE 1999 CHEVY SUBURBAN FROM CHASKA FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR \$5,000 WITH THE MONEY FOR THE LOGO CHANGES TO COME FROM DONATIONS OR OTHER SOURCES. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

- B. Tub grinding quotes for 2009. Staff sent out solicitations to three contractors. The city received two quotes: \$2,950 from Rumpca Company and \$15,897 from Ceres. The city budgeted \$8,000 of which \$2,500 has been marked for possible reductions pending the state aid clarification.

MANN MOVED, MARTINEZ SECONDED A MOTION TO HIRE RUMPCA COMPANY TO CHIP THE BRUSH PILE AT THE COMPOST SITE FOR \$2,950. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

- C. Crack sealing project for 2009. The staff received two quotes for crack sealing. Hardline Asphalt's quote was \$.65 per lineal foot while Bargaen Inc was \$.76 per lineal foot. The budget is \$5,000 for crack sealing. Kammerer will measure the cracks to get an exact measurement.

MARTINEZ MOVED, MANN SECONDED A MOTION TO HIRE HARDLINE ASPHALT FOR THE 2009 CRACK SEALING PROJECT FOR A PRICE OF \$.65 PER LINEAL FOOT WITH THE SCOPE OF THE PROJECT TO BE DETERMINED IN MAY. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

McDonald left the meeting at this point. Acting Mayor Duske led the meeting.

8. CONSULTANTS' REPORTS

A. Engineer's Report

A. 1. Project Updates

A. 2. Pay Request.

MARTINEZ MOVED, KING SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PAY REQUEST FROM BOLTON & MENK, INC FOR \$9,950.50. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

McDonald returned to the meeting.

9. MAYOR'S REPORT

A. McDonald reported that he would be taking a trip to Ireland.

10. COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS

A. Duske reported that he had taken a tour of the city parks.

B. King reported that she attended a seminar on open spaces in Minnetrista.

King attended the W-M Community Education Advisory Committee which focused on school district reductions.

C. Martinez met with school administrative team about parks.

Martinez asked the Council to look at the city's curfew ordinance and compare it to the county curfew.

11. STAFF REPORTS

A. City Administrator.

A. 1. Mandt informed the Council about the reduction in fees through the new Waste Management contract.

A. 2. Mandt informed the Council about the Community Clean Up Day May 2.

A. 3. Mandt stated that the bleachers for Evergreen Park are done and look very good thanks to work by Council Member Mann and Public Works staff members.

A. 4. Mandt stated that he had met with representatives of the school district and county sheriff's office. He stated that there is stimulus money available for a liaison officer for the city and school district.

A. 5. Mandt stated that the EDA, Planning Commission and Park and Rec Commission meetings will be held Thursday, April 16 instead of April 9 due to Easter week activities.

- A. 6. Mandt stated that there would be a workshop prior to the next council meeting on Tuscany Village and Lakeland Construction Finance.
- B. Senior Planner
 - B. 1. Foust stated that an open house will be held Thursday, April 23 for the Community Park.
- C. Public Works
 - C. 1. Kammerer gave the Council updates on water pumping report, wastewater influent report, temperature and moisture comparisons, location of sealcoating for 2009,
- D. Finance Director
 - D. 1. Wallner stated that the auditors were at City Hall the past week and they will make a presentation to the Finance Committee and City Council in May.
 - D. 2. Voucher List/Claims Roster. Wallner presented the list to the Council. Martinez asked if the fire department could consider using fewer rooms when they stay overnight for training sessions. She also asked about the policy of the city purchasing jeans for Public Works employees. Wallner stated that the staff will be looking into a policy on rooms and mileage for all employees of the city as well as a uniform/clothing policy.

KING MOVED, MANN SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE VOUCHER LIST/CLAIMS ROSTER. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

12. ADJOURNMENT

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:36 PM.

ATTEST:

Steven Wallner
Clerk-Treasurer

K.J. McDonald
Mayor