

The Common Council of the City of Horicon met in regular session with Mayor Neitzel presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Alders present: Hady, Marschke, Anfinson, Miller, Plautz, and Fausett.
Alders absent: None.

Mayor Neitzel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Fausett, second by Marschke, to approve the Council minutes of January 26 and February 1, 2016 and the Committee of Whole minutes of February 9, 2016.
All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Public Appearances:

Several individuals appeared regarding an agenda item and chose to speak when their particular item was being contemplated by the Council.

The following Resolution was introduced by Alderperson Anfinson: RESOLUTION 2016-02, INTERNATIONAL MIGRATORY BIRD DAY RESOLUTION.
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Motion by Anfinson, second by Plautz, to approve Resolution 2016-02.
All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Fausett, member of the Plan Commission, gave a brief informational report on items being considered by the commission which included: modifications to an electric substation.

Miller, Chairperson of the Park & Recreation Board, gave a brief informational report on items being considered by the board which included: monthly reports, Aquatic Center flyer, and request for use of Discher Park by the Horicon Historical Society.

Anfinson, Council Representative to the Historic Preservation Commission, reported no meeting was held.

Steve Karel, Tammy Hintz, and Craig Muenchow appeared before the Council to dispute snow removal invoices and citations they received for failure to remove the snow.

Steve Karel, representing his parents for snow removal at their vacant lot on Karen Lane, stated he had shoveled the sidewalk and the wind caused the snow to drift and cover the sidewalk.

Tammy Hintz also stated she had removed the snow from the sidewalk at her vacant lot and the wind caused the snow to drift and cover the sidewalk.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-02

INTERNATIONAL MIGRATORY BIRD DAY
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, migratory birds are some of the most beautiful and easily observed wildlife that share our communities, *and*
WHEREAS, many citizens recognize and welcome migratory songbirds as symbolic harbingers of spring, *and*
WHEREAS, these migrant species also play an important economic role in our community, controlling insect pests and generating millions in recreational dollars statewide, *and*
WHEREAS, migratory birds and their habitats are declining throughout the Americas, facing a growing number of threats on their migration routes and in both their summer and winter homes, *and*
WHEREAS, public awareness and concern are crucial components of migratory bird conservation, *and*
WHEREAS, citizens enthusiastic about birds, informed about the threats they face, and empowered to help address those threats can directly contribute to maintaining health bird populations, *and*
WHEREAS, since 1993 International Migratory Bird Day (IMBD) has become a primary vehicle for focusing public attention on the nearly 350 species that travel between nesting habitats in our communities and throughout North America and their wintering grounds in South and Central America, Mexico, the Caribbean, and the southern U.S., *and*
WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of people will observe IMBD, gathering in town squares, community centers, schools, parks, nature centers, and wildlife refuges to learn about birds, take action to conserve them, and simply to have fun, *and*
WHEREAS, while IMBD officially is held each year on the second Saturday in May, its observance is not limited to a single day, and planners are encouraged to schedule activities on the dates best suited to the presence of both migrants and celebrants, *and*
WHEREAS, IMBD is not only a day to foster appreciation for wild birds and to celebrate and support migratory bird conservation, but also to call to action,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Steven D. Neitzel, as Mayor of the City of Horicon, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 6, 2016 as

International Migratory Bird Day

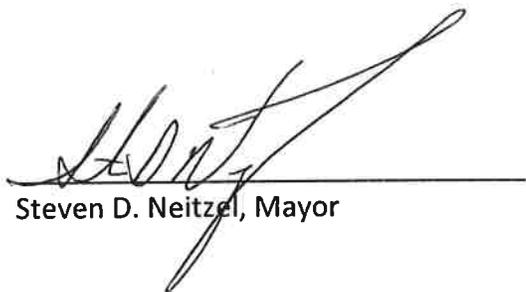
in the City of Horicon, and I urge all citizens to celebrate this observance and to support efforts to protect and conserve migratory birds and their habitats in our community and the world at large.

Introduced by Alderperson Nathan Anfinson this 23rd day of February, 2016.

Adopted and approved this 23rd day of February, 2016

ATTEST:


Kristen M. Jacobson, Clerk-Treasurer


Steven D. Neitzel, Mayor

Craig Muenchow received two invoices as well as a citation. Muenchow stated he had removed the snow from his sidewalks on both occasions.

Discussion was held relating to the current ordinance for snow removal, the fee charged for snow removal, what defines a snow event, the amount of the citation, and other properties that had not cleared their sidewalks.

Motion by Anfinson, second by Marschke, to dismiss the snow removal invoices for Donald Karel, invoice #18276 in the amount of \$84; Tammy Hintz, invoice #18290 in the amount of \$84; and Craig Muenchow, invoice #18223 in the amount of \$84 and invoice #18294 in the amount of \$84.

Voting AYE: Anfinson, Miller, Plautz, and Marschke.

Voting NAY: Fausett and Hady.

Motion carried.

Motion by Plautz, second by Fausett, to reimburse Leslie Spoerl ½ of the plumbing bill, which was \$281.73, for unplugging of the sewer at 202 North Hubbard Street.

Voting AYE: Plautz, Fausett, and Anfinson.

Voting NAY: Hady, Marschke, and Miller.

Mayor Neitzel voted NAY. Motion failed.

Motion by Miller, second by Fausett, to approve a Street Use Permit for the Horicon Historical Society for use of the 300 Block of Winter Street during their Living History Days May 5-8, 2016. All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Hady, second by Marschke, to approve the 3-year AT&T High Volume Calling IV contract for long distance service.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Plautz, second by Anfinson, to approve the Extended Well Abandonment Agreement between the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the City of Horicon for Well #3.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Hady, second by Marschke, to commit \$5,000 to Phase 2 Design and Construction of the Gold Star Memorial Trail upon Dodge County's approval and receipt of the TAP Grant.

Voting AYE: Hady, Marschke, Plautz, and Fausett.

Voting NAY: Anfinson and Miller.

Motion carried.

Motion by Hady, second by Plautz, to approve the purchase of 45 bare root trees and 1 Autumn Blaze Maple in the amount of \$3,028.75 from Willow Springs Nursery, LLC.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Hady, second by Anfinson, to approve Organic Tree Service to assist in the planting of 2016 Street Trees in the amount of \$1,050.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Hady, second by Fausett, to authorize Total Overhead Door Systems, LLC to replace doors at the WWTF in the amount of \$4,745.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Kristen Jacobson, Clerk-Treasurer, gave a brief explanation of the debt collection process including the amount of time a business has to file a judgement and the length of time unpaid invoices appear on a credit report. Jacobson gave an overview of the uncollectible debt she was requesting to be written off as well as ambulance billing amounts over the past 2 years.

Motion by Marschke, second by Hady, to approve the write-off of uncollectible debt in the amount of \$24,466.24 as summarized on 2 worksheets distributed by the Clerk-Treasurer.

Voting AYE: Marschke, Anfinson, Miller, Plautz, and Hady.

Voting NAY: Fausett.

Motion carried.

Motion by Hady, second by Anfinson, to authorize the Police Department to participate in the Experience Works Program.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Marschke, second by Miller, to grant a Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" Retailer's License to St. Stephen Lutheran Church/School for 505 N. Palmatory Street on March 12, 2016.

Voting AYE: Marschke, Anfinson, Miller, Plautz, and Fausett.

Abstaining: Hady.

Motion carried.

Motion by Miller, second by Marschke, to grant the Horicon Historical Society's request for use of Discher Park May 5-8, 2016, including overnight accommodations for re-enactors and demonstrators (includes use of electricity), for the 2016 Annual Historical Encampment and to waive the rental fee.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Miller, second by Anfinson, to establish the 2016 dates of operation for the Horicon Aquatic Center as June 4 – August 28.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Miller, second by Marschke, to set May 31, 2016 as the final date to receive the \$5 Early Bird Discount on purchase of Aquatic Center passes.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Miller, second by Marschke, to set the Daily Pass Fee for Ages 4 years and older at \$5/day.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Miller, second by Marschke, to charge \$2/class for Water Aerobics unless the individual has an Aquatic Center pass, if so, then the class is free.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Miller, second by Marschke, to approve the 2016 Aquatic Center Special Events as printed.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Marschke, second by Fausett, to grant a Two Year Operator License for the year ending June 30, 2017 to Deanna J. Ludtke and Brittany A. Maas.

Voting AYE: Marschke, Anfinson, Miller, Plautz, and Fausett.

Abstaining: Hady.

Motion carried.

The following is a statement of financial condition for the City of Horicon as of January 31, 2016:

Cash Balance, January 1, 2016	\$ 316,566.89
Receipts	<u>\$ 4,154,088.86</u>
	\$ 4,470,655.75
Expenditures	<u>\$ 3,814,883.80</u>
	\$ 655,771.95
Payroll	<u>\$ 89,862.61</u>
Cash Balance, January 31, 2016	<u>\$ 565,909.34</u>

Motion by Hady, second by Miller, to approve the financial statement for January 31, 2016 as printed.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

An Invoice Register containing invoices paid January 22, 2016 thru February 18, 2016 was reviewed by the Council.

Motion by Hady, second by Plautz, to approve payment of bills for January 2016 (checks issued 1/22/16 – 2/18/16) in the amount of \$6,230,683.34.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Non-Action Discussion:

Russ Saunders, Police Lieutenant, announced the Police Department will be holding a Departmental meeting on March 3 and invited the Council to attend.

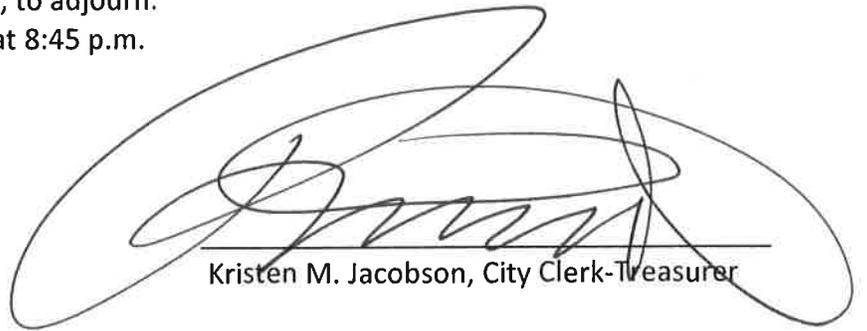
Dave Magnussen, Public Works/Utility Supervisor, requested Mayor Neitzel veto the action Council took on agenda item #10, the dismissing of snow removal invoices.

Fausett had several questions for Magnussen regarding the purchase and storage of road salt.

Miller congratulated Bill Condon and Isaac Dickenson for making it to the State wrestling tournament this weekend.

Mayor Neitzel inquired if the Council was available for a meeting on March 1st at 6 p.m. to review the 5-Year Financial Plan. Consensus to hold a Committee of Whole meeting on March 1st at 6 p.m. to review the 5-Year Financial Plan.

Motion by Fausett, second by Miller, to adjourn.
All voting AYE. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.



Kristen M. Jacobson, City Clerk-Treasurer