

The Committee of Whole of the City of Horicon met in regular session on November 15, 2016. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Neitzel at 6:00 p.m.

Alders Present: Hady, Marschke, Miller, and Fausett.

Alders Absent: Anfinson and Frami.

Mayor Neitzel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Appearances: None.

Scott Kwiecinski of Horizon Develop Build Manage gave a presentation on a proposed mixed use development to be built at 218 Barstow Street. Items covered in the presentation included:

- Similar buildings constructed near Horicon.
- Apartment space to be located above 1st floor commercial space.
- 40 units (apartments) for rent, to include 1, 2, and 3 bedrooms.
 - 34 affordable units, 6 market rate units
- Financing of the development to include a grant and funds from WHEDA Affordable Tax Credits.
- Target renters to be workforce.
- Project timeline, construction, and amenities.

Discussion was held relating to the proposed apartments, including the items listed above and also the following items: parking, income structure for the affordable units, taxable rate, and a market study. Kwiecinski stated at this point his company is not seeking approval or funds from the City, however, if the grant is approved, the project will continue forward and at that time approval from the City will be requested as well as funding in an amount that has not yet been determined.

Motion by Fausett, second by Marschke, to approve the contract from MSA Professional Services in the amount of \$19,100 for engineering of construction related services for the WWTF Clarifier Rehabilitation Project.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Jim Schaefer, Director of Economic Development, reviewed an Executive Summary containing information from a field study relating to a Lodging Feasibility Study Report for the City of Horicon. In order for the Study to be completed Fred Schwertfeger of Bogdana Inc. is requesting the City pay the remaining ½ of the contract; \$3,500.

David Bork, owner of the Royal Oaks, and Barbara Ruka, owner of the Honeybee Inn Bed & Breakfast, appeared and spoke against completing the study and construction of a hotel in the City of Horicon. Both individuals did not believe the need exists as their facilities are typically at 35-40% occupancy and earlier in the conversation Schaefer stated Beaver Dam was at approximately 48% occupancy. Both individuals also voiced concerns regarding loss of business.

Motion by Hady, second by Fausett, to approve payment in the amount of \$3,500 to complete a Lodging Feasibility Study for the City of Horicon.
All voting AYE. Motion carried.

There were no operator license applications.

Non-Action Discussion:

Schaefer reviewed his monthly report.

Joseph Adamson, Police Chief, announced the Police Department would be holding a departmental meeting on Thursday, 12 p.m. – 3 p.m., and invited Committee members to stop in.

Dave Magnussen, Public Works/Utilities Supervisor, announced the City received a grant for Bowling Green Park improvements in the amount of \$134,000. Magnussen also announced he and Kristen Jacobson, Clerk-Treasurer, had attended a Blue Zone Project meeting earlier in the day. Magnussen referenced an e-mail correspondence he sent Monday. Magnussen announced a Grand Opening for the River Bend Park playground equipment will be held this Saturday at 1 p.m. He also announced leaf pickup will continue through this week.

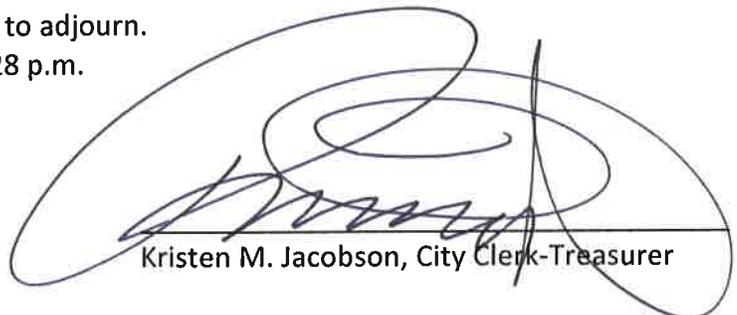
Alexandra Harvancik, Librarian, provided an update on the library merger. Harvancik announced the library will begin utilizing new software on December 15th.

Jacobson announced the City had an 84% voter turnout at the Presidential Election on November 8th. She added that 270 new registrations were completed on Election Day. Jacobson thanked the Election Officials for their hard work. Jacobson announced the City will qualify for the Expenditure Restraint Program in 2017, in order to qualify 2017 expenditures could increase only 1.9% over 2016. She also announced her office continues to have e-mail issues and she hopes the Council will address the issue.

Hady commented the Police and Fire Departments had a nice setup at the Public Safety Building for trick-or-treat.

Mayor Neitzel announced he will request the Council to approve a street naming policy at their next meeting. Neitzel thanked the Election Officials for their work at the Presidential Election. Neitzel announced a public viewing of the John McGivern television show highlighting Horicon will be shown at the Horicon High School on March 27, 2017.

Motion by Fausett, second by Marschke, to adjourn.
All voting AYE. Meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.



Kristen M. Jacobson, City Clerk-Treasurer