

The Committee of Whole of the City of Horicon met in regular session on March 14, 2017. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Neitzel at 6:00 p.m.

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

Alders Absent: None.

Mayor Neitzel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Phil Cosson of Ehlers provided a presentation of financing options available for the South Wind Trail Reconstruction Project and a West Lake Street Reconstruction Project. Cosson reviewed the City's current debt capacity including the current debt schedule. He also provided several options to finance the South Wind Trail Reconstruction Project and reviewed the pros and cons of the options.

Discussion was held relating to the City's current debt capacity and potential future projects, other than the South Wind Trail and West Lake Street Reconstruction Projects, that could require financing. Discussion was also held relating to the process of applying for Safe Drinking Water (SDW) and Clean Water Fund (CWF) Loans and what impact this financing could have on the start date of the South Wind Trail Reconstruction Project.

Consensus to proceed with SDW and CWF financing for the South Wind Trail Reconstruction Project.

Public Appearances: None.

Motion by Anfinson, second by Fausett, to approve the proposed resolution to recognize National Library Week.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Discussion was held relating to applying for a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources' (WDNR) Urban Nonpoint Source and Stormwater Management (UNPS) planning grant. Items discussed included phosphorus reduction, alternatives for phosphorus reduction, working with the WDNR, cost of the project, and amount of the grant.

Motion by Fausett, second by Frami, to approve a contract from Strand Associates, Inc. to assist in completing the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources' (WDNR) Urban Nonpoint Source and Stormwater Management (UNPS) planning grant at a cost not to exceed \$3,700, funded by the Wastewater Department.

Voting AYE: Fausett, Hady, Miller, and Frami.

Voting NAY: Marschke and Anfinson.

Motion carried.

Discussion was held relating to the development of a Horicon Community Survey designed to ask why residents choose not to live in the City of Horicon and what the City, School District, and Chamber can do to attract new residents.

Motion by Hady, second by Fausett, to contribute \$2,000 towards participation in the Horicon Community Survey.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Discussion was held relating to disposal of buildings located in the new Industrial Park (former Wrucke property) and whether the Horicon Fire Bell Club is interested in removing the buildings (excluding the house and corn bins). Mayor Neitzel announced he is entertaining offers to purchase and remove the corn bins from the property. No action was taken.

Motion by Fausett, second by Frami, to approve the contract from Kunkel Engineering Group for Construction Related Services (CRS) and Inspection for the South Wind Trail Reconstruction Project in an amount not to exceed \$77,850.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

There were no operator license applications.

Non-Action:

Jim Bandsma, Fire Chief, referenced his monthly report. Bandsma announced he continues to be without e-mail access. He thanked Chief Adamson for promptly repairing the phone line. Bandsma shared an experience of a 1st grader's recent visit to the Horicon Fire Department's monthly meeting and stated how much he had enjoyed the visit.

Dave Magnussen, Department of Public Works/Utility Supervisor, referenced his recent report.

Alexandra Harvancik, Librarian, referenced her monthly report.

Joseph Adamson, Police Chief, announced the new squad car should be delivered the first week of April and anticipates it being operational around Easter. He also announced departmental duties prevented the monthly report from being completed but it should be done shortly. Adamson stated he anticipates requesting the Council to consider the goose depredation permit next month. Adamson announced he had attended an Alcohol/Tobacco Blue Zone meeting and added Horicon's Blue Zone Kickoff will be April 22nd; he inquired if Horicon had passed a resolution in support of the Blue Zone Initiative.

Jim Schaefer, Director of Economic Development, referenced his monthly report. Schaefer also reviewed his concepts for the new Industrial Park.

Hady announced the City crew had done a good job of cleaning the streets after the last snowfall.

Anfinson announced the EMS Department had recommended the hiring of 2 individuals and inquired if the Council could consider this approval at the March Council meeting. Mayor Neitzel stated it should be added to the March Council agenda.

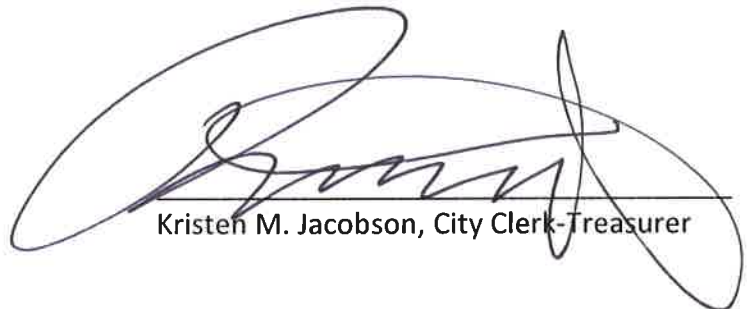
Kristen Jacobson, Clerk-Treasurer, announced she and her staff are available Monday thru Friday from 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. for any questions, comments, or concerns.

Fausett announced the Public Works & Development Committee would be holding a meeting March 21st at 6 p.m. to review the snow removal ordinance.

Frami inquired on the status of the 401 East Lake Street property.

Mayor Neitzel invited and encouraged everyone to attend the Around the Corner with John McGivern preview on March 27th at 6 p.m. at the Horicon High School.

Motion by Fausett, second by Miller, to adjourn.
All voting AYE. Meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.



Kristen M. Jacobson, City Clerk-Treasurer