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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Tuesday, January 11, 2022

6:45 PM

Christine Nuernberg Hall

Minutes

1. Call to Order, Roll Call

Mayor Wirth called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM.

Present:

Mayor John Wirth
Alderman Robert Strzelczyk
Alderman Glenn Bushee
Alderman Dale Mayr
Alderman Jeffrey Hansher
Alderman Mark Gierl
Alderman Brian Parrish
Alderman Kathleen Schneider
Alderman Andrew Nerbun

Also present: City Administrator Jones, Assistant City Administrator Schoenemann, City Attorney Sajdak, City Clerk Fochs, Community Development Director Tollefson, Assistant Community Development Director Zader, Engineering and Public Works Director Lundeen, Finance Director Engroff, Fire Chief Bialk, Deputy Fire Chief Zellman, Fire Battalion Chief Boettcher, Police Chief Pryor, Water Utility Operations Supervisor Voigt, Parks and Forestry Superintendent Gies, press and interested public.

2. Departmental Reports: None.

3. Resolutions

a. **RESOLUTION 3909** A Resolution Amending the 2021-2024 Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the City of Mequon and the Mequon Fire & EMS Association, in Connection with Establishment of a Full-Time Paramedic/Firefighter Position

RESULT: Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]
MOVED BY: Alderman Nerbun
SECONDED BY: Alderman Mayr

AYES: Strzelczyk, Bushee, Mayr, Hansher, Gierl, Parrish, Schneider, Nerbun

- b. **RESOLUTION 3910** A Resolution Approving Acceptance of a \$20,000 Donation from the Thiensville-Mequon Rotary Foundation and Authorizing the Purchase and Installation of an ADA Accessible Fishing Pier at Rotary Park by Summerset Marine Construction, Eagle, Wisconsin, for a Total Cost of \$70,000

RESULT: Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]
MOVED BY: Alderman Mayr
SECONDED BY: Alderman Hansher

AYES: Strzelczyk, Bushee, Mayr, Hansher, Gierl, Parrish, Schneider, Nerbun

4. Discussion

- a. **ORDINANCE 2021-1616** An Ordinance Creating Section 62-21 of the Mequon Municipal Code Relating to Signs Along Streets and on Public Property

City Attorney Sajdak briefly revisited the background for this discussion Ordinance 2021-1616 and the idea of a Free Area.

Cheryl Rebholz spoke against this ordinance. She opposes elimination of the blue way-finding signs, and advertising signs.

Discussion ensued within the Committee regarding the grand fathering options and recommendations. Attorney Sajdak would not recommend grand fathering these signs as it is advertising, and the city would be required to approve any and all requests. Discussion continued pertaining to definitions of directional signs versus advertising signs and the dislike of the Free Area idea.

RESULT: Tabled [Unanimous]
MOVED BY: Alderman Nerbun
SECONDED BY: Alderman Strzelczyk

AYES: Strzelczyk, Bushee, Mayr, Hansher, Gierl, Parrish, Schneider, Nerbun

- b. Potential Renewal of the City's Membership in the League of Wisconsin Municipalities

Motion to Renew the City's Membership in the League of Wisconsin Municipalities

RESULT: **Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]**
MOVED BY: Alderman Schneider
SECONDED BY: Alderman Parrish

AYES: Strzelczyk, Bushee, Mayr, Hansher, Gierl, Parrish, Schneider, Nerbun

5. Future Policy Items for Discussion/Consideration/Analysis: None.

6. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn at 7:33 PM.

RESULT: **Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]**
MOVED BY: Alderman Mayr
SECONDED BY: Alderman Parrish

AYES: Strzelczyk, Bushee, Mayr, Hansher, Gierl, Parrish, Schneider, Nerbun

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet Meyer