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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

6:30 PM

Christine Nuernberg Hall

Minutes

1. Call to Order, Roll Call

Mayor Wirth called the meeting to order at 6:30 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, Assistant City Engineer McCraw, Engineering Technician Dandy, Finance Director Engroff, Assistant to the Finance Director Keyser, Fire Chief Bialk, Deputy Fire Chief Zellman, and Police Chief Pryor, Boy Scout Troop 852, press and interested public.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

a. January 11, 2022 Minutes

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

AYES:	Strzelczyk, Bushee, Mayr, Hansher, Gierl, Parrish, Schneider, Nerbun
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Motion to suspend the rules. Items 4 and 5 to precede Departmental Reports

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

AYES:	Strzelczyk, Bushee, Mayr, Hansher, Gierl, Parrish, Schneider, Nerbun
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4. Resolution

- a. **RESOLUTION 3913** A Resolution Authorizing the Borrowing of Not-to-Exceed \$9,620,000; and Providing for the Issuance and Sale of General Obligation Promissory Notes Therefor

Finance Director Jennifer Engroff introduced Philip Cosson, Representative from Ehlers, Inc. Also presenting, Director of Public Works Kirsten Lundeen.

Mr. Cosson clarified that the purpose of this meeting is to gain authorization to proceed with capital borrowing of \$9.62 million. Mr. Cosson expects many interested parties. The bids will be collected and presented, with a scheduled closing on March 24, 2022.

RESULT: **Approved by Roll Call Vote [Unanimous]**
MOVED BY: Alderman Mayr
SECONDED BY: Alderman Nerbun

AYES:	Strzelczyk, Bushee, Mayr, Hansher, Gierl, Parrish, Schneider, Nerbun
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5. Ordinances

Motion to amend 26-21(f) of ORDINANCE 2021-1616 allowing a full rebuild of a non-conforming subdivision sign that is damaged +50% due to vandalism

RESULT: **Approved by Roll Call Vote [6 to 2]**
MOVED BY: Alderman Bushee
SECONDED BY: Alderman Strzelczyk

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

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

Attorney Sajdak explained that the proposed ordinance removes the free zone concept and leans heavily on government speech.

Discussion ensued within the Committee regarding the new balance of the ordinance concerning city signage and private signage. The Committee discussed the distance between signs and the concentration of signs in one area. Discussion progressed to grand fathering existing signs until the year 2026 and introducing an annual administration fee.

Motion to approve 62-21 (a)-(f).

RESULT: Approved as Amended by Roll Call Vote [Unanimous]
MOVED BY: Alderman Strzelczyk
SECONDED BY: Alderman Schneider

AYES:	Strzelczyk, Bushee, Mayr, Hansher, Gierl, Parrish, Schneider, Nerbun
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Motion to amend ORDINANCE 2021-1616, section g) ii by allowing three signs instead of one.

RESULT: Failed by Roll Call Vote [4 to 5]
MOVED BY: Alderman Mayr
SECONDED BY: Alderman Strzelczyk

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

Moved by Alderman Mayr, seconded by Alderman Strzelczyk to amend ORDINANCE 2021-1616, section g) iii from .5 miles to 100 yards.

Amendment was withdrawn.

Motion to amend ORDINANCE 2021-1616, section g) viii by revising from five years to two years.

RESULT: Failed by Roll Call Vote [2 to 6]
MOVED BY: Alderman Mayr
SECONDED BY: Alderman Strzelczyk

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

Motion to Approve ORDINANCE 2021-1616, section g as written.

RESULT: **Approved by Roll Call Vote [6 to 2]**
MOVED BY: Alderman Gierl
SECONDED BY: Alderman Parrish

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

3. Departmental Reports

- a. Finance Department Report
- b. Clerk's Office Report
- c. Community Development Report
- d. Public Works Report
- e. Fire Department Report
- f. Police Department

6. Future Policy Items for Discussion/Consideration/Analysis

No items were forwarded from the Committee.

7. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 7:53 PM.

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

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

Janet Meyer
Deputy Clerk