

CITY OF OWEN COMMON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Tuesday, June 11, 2024

LOCATION: City Hall

TIME: 6:00 pm

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mayor Scott Jalling

Alderpersons: Ray Kilty, Ken Martine, Jason Thornton; Bob Wilczek, Pam Jaffke, John Mauel

ATTENDANCE LIST: Clerk/Treasurer Tracy Rau, DPW Chad Smith, Deputy Kelly Booth

COMMUNITY ATTENDANCE: Cindy Cardinal/ES-Enterprise Sentinel, Tom Jirschele, Andrea Mahnkeee, Lori Voss, Harold Wolfgram Attorney

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jalling at 6:00 pm & the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Comment: According to the county website taxes are not being paid, thousands of dollars are owed, would also like update on tire plant. A thank you to our DPW for mowing. The duplexes in Countryside Estates charge rent but no taxes are being paid, others are paying taxes. Lori Voss spoke in regard to her running for 69th Assembly, and our Deputy Clerk asked that unless it is an emergency that the agenda for the next meeting will stand, and no amendments will need to be made.

Approve 05.28.24 Meeting Minutes: Wilczek/Mauel motion to approve minutes as written. Motion carried.

Convene into Closed Session Under WI S.S. 19.85(g) Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved.

Business Park Agreements: Wilczek/Jaffke motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Reconvene to Open Session: Wilczek/Kilty motion. Motion carried.

Announce Recommendation(s): None

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Countryside Estates Covenants and Liquor License Jaffke/Martine motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Reconvene to Open Session: Mauel/Kilty motion. Motion carried.

Announce Recommendation(s): Conferred with legal counsel no action taken.

Kerry Tax Update: Clerk/Treasurer Rau has nothing new to report; Alderman Kilty has an email out to the plant in Rhinelander, they seem to target the smaller communities. We need to stay ahead for 2023 as there is no comparable; we need to pay what is owed; we are under a time deadline and there is nothing we can do now.

Delinquent Water Bills: We will keep this issue in future agendas. The residents will receive a tag the same day the notice of bill being passed due goes out. They will have 10 days to bring the past due balance up to date and pay on old balances with a signed DPA agreement, if nothing is done the residents' water will be shut off on the 10th day. The DPW and City Clerk/Treasurer will coordinate the dates so no water will be shut off over the weekend. This follows the city ordinances and PSC.

Operator License:

Ambrosio Lopez-**El Pinal**-Wilczek/Jaffke motion to approve; motion carried.

Dawn Hill, Diane Lulloff, Lee Kenney, Rita Engel, Lindsey Emmerich, Elizabeth Rue, Noah Zarins, Maria Lopez, Calvin Breitrick, Shelley Mast -**Creekside**-Wilczek/Mauel motion to approve; motion carried.

Carey Hargot-**#Red Daisy**-Mauel/Jaffke motion to approve; motion carried.

Dollar General-Wilczek/Kilty motion to Deny; motion carried.

Wade Hatlestad, William Devine, Alexis Nernberger, Kathryn Hatlestad, Raeann Schwab, Jennifer Booth, Joan Jalling, Kristin Schmidt, Heidi Hatlestad, Lexi Opelt-**Meadowview**-Thornton/Martine motion to approve; motion carried.

Jacalyn Reinke, Sara Koller, Corrie Bottlemey-**OW Sports & Liquor**-Martine/Mauel motion to approve; motion carried.

Timothy Swiggum, Nina Snodgrass, Rebecca Swiggum, Casey Olichwier, Sarah Green, Richard Peterson, Donnelle Hodnett, Larry Hodnett, Andrea Duarte-**Taproom/Woodland**-Jaffke/Martine motion to approve; motion carried.

Travis Arndt, Mary Rollins, Ashley Carlson, Angela Weaver, Kaja Bundy, Anna Gordon-**One Shot, LLC**- Martine/Kilty motion to approve all but **denial for Mary Rollins**; motion carried.

Anthony Wallace, Stacy Wallace-**L.A.S.T. Ace Again**- Thornton/Kilty **motion to TABLE**; motion carried.

Laken Potocnik, Patrick Jenness, Brenda Jenness-**Skunky's**-Wilczek/Thornton motion to approve; motion carried.

Rockford Lehr, Phil Greschner-**Owen Jr. Fair**-Wilczek/Martine motion to approve; motion carried.

Beverage License:

El Pinal-Wilczek/Jaffke motion to approve B/B; motion carried.

Creekside Convenience LLC-Kilty/Martine motion to approve A/A; motion carried.

#Red Daisy-Wilczek/Kilty motion to approve Class "B"; motion carried

Meadowview Golf Course-Mauel/Wilczek motion to approve B/B; motion carried.

Woodland Hotel LLC-Mauel/Martine motion to approve B/B; motion carried.

OW Sports & Liquor-Mauel/Wilczek motion to approve A/A; motion carried.

One Shot LLC-Wilczek/Thornton motion to approve B/B; motion carried.

Skunky's Bar-Martine/Mauel motion to approve B/B; motion carried.

L.A.S.T. Ace Again-Wilczek/Kilty motion to **TABLE**. Motion carried.

Temporary License-Owen Jr. Fair-Wilczek/Thornton motion to approve; motion carried.

Audit update: The clerk/treasure will call them to see if they can come and discuss at Council Meeting.

Discuss and Act on Meeting Time: Tabled by Mauel/Martine; motion carried.

Public Works Report: Cross Connection report is done for the year due to the rain; we are working hard to finish the lead and copper survey. The Consumer Confidence Report will come out at the end of June with everyone's water bills. In sewer news they completed the 3-day test last week; along with completing the CMAR and submitted it. We have had a sewer commission meeting and they voted to approve the proposal given to them. Also, we are working to complete the projects at the library ie: hot water heater, A/C, faucets, along with the Old City Hall water sump pump, and restore the streetlight on central. The DPW also put new poles to hang the new flags on.

Tap Grant: Our DPW, Chad Smith, will follow-up with Brian Chapman to see if some of the work can be done ourselves to save us some money. We are not sure where the money will be pulled from if we decide to complete the Trail Project. It is for the current bike trail; the million-dollar grant money needs to be used and the project completed by 12/31/26.

Mayors Report: None

Other Reports: Parks/Rec motion by Mauel to move the dog park location from Crowley to the last lot on Madsen Street; Mauel/Jaffke; motion carried.

Disbursements/Accounts Payable: Martine/Wilczek motion to approve; motion carried.

Future Agenda Items: City Hall Hours, Meeting Time, Operator/Beverage License, Delinquent Water Bills

Adjourn: 9:15 pm Wilczek/Thornton motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully given to the best of my ability, Kelly Booth, Deputy Clerk