July 17, 2019

The Westby City Council met on Tuesday, July 16, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. Mayor Danny Helgerson presiding.


Also present: Ron Janzen, David Jefson, Scott Stuber, Heath Gilkes, Marty Dreischmeier, and Ruth Rupp.

Motion by Hendrickson, seconded by Kurth, to accept the minutes from the July 2, 2019 council meeting as typewritten. Roll call, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Helseth, seconded by Jelinek, to suspend the rules & regulations to pay the accounts & claims. Roll call, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Helseth, seconded by Rognstad, to pay the accounts & claims. Roll call, all aye, motion carried.

Public Participation:
Clerk Wedwick shared an email from the Norseman Booster Club thanking and commending the entire city staff for their hard work on the athletic facility and baseball field.

Motion by Hendrickson, seconded by Laudermilch, to approve a bartender’s license for Barbara Larson. Roll call, all aye, motion carried.

Building Permits:
- Bekcum Family Farms – 202 W. Old Town Rd. (conditional use permit)
- Kristen Perreault – 206 Ramsland St. (conditional use permit)
- Darcy Rood – Lot 36, Jaeger Addition (new construction - site permit)

Jefson gave an update of police activities for the month of June.

Marty Dreischmeier of WPPI Energy presented the annual report to the Council.

There was no motion regarding the Façade Grant Applications as none were turned in.

Ruth Rupp addressed the Council with concerns regarding the city’s zoning system. This was
discussion only. No action taken.

Motion by Jelinek, seconded by Helseth, to go in to closed session. Roll call, all aye, motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION:
According to State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.
- Discussion and possible action regarding hiring full-time police officer.

Motion by Jelinek, seconded by Hendrickson to go back in to open session. Roll call, all aye, motion carried.

OPEN SESSION:
Motion by Jelinek, seconded by Hendrickson to approve hiring Ben Haller as a full-time police officer beginning August 1, 2019, at a staring hourly wage of $23.75 per hour, and a one-year probationary period. Roll call, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Hendrickson, seconded by Kurth, to adjourn. Roll call, all aye, motion carried.

Roxy Wedwick
City Clerk