

December 28, 2020

**CITY OF WASHBURN  
SPECIAL COMMON COUNCIL MEETING**

5:30PM

Washburn City Hall & Remote Call-In

City Council Members:

Present, in-person:

Karen Spears-Novachek, Tom Neimes, Carl Broberg,  
Dave Anderson, Mary McGrath

Present, remote:

Laura Tulowitzky, Jennifer Maziasz

Municipal Personnel:

Present in-person:

Mayor Mary D. Motiff, City Administrator Scott J. Kluver,  
Assistant City Administrator Tony Janisch, City Attorney  
Max Lindsey

Present, remote:

None

Absent:

None

**Call to Order** - Meeting called to order at 5:30PM by Mayor Motiff. Roll call attendance depicted seven (7) of seven (7) members of the Common Council in attendance. Quorum of the Council recognized.

**Presentations and Discussion on Proposals from Dan Hudson and Badger Colish (Order to be Determined) to Purchase/Rehabilitate Property at 204 W. Bayfield St. (Brokedown) and Action on Selection on Party to Pursue Development of Said Property** – Badger Colish presented first with his concept for Lost Apostle Brewing, a destination brew pub with event space and lodging. Mr. Colish began by introducing himself along with his experience nationally and internationally designing, installing, and commissioning craft breweries. Mr. Colish then explained his vision for a brew pub concept. John Gerzina, DSGW Architecture, spoke regarding the redevelopment of the building including the general look and floor plan.

Next, Dan Hudson presented his concept for residential rental and commercial space. Mr. Hudson introduced himself along with his experience in rehabbing old buildings locally and rental management. Mr. Hudson then explained his vision for commercial retail space on the main floor and four rental units on the second floor. He further shared his vision of the redeveloped building space and look. Mr. Hudson included the idea that the retail space could be some form of mercantile store. John Carlson, Spears, Carlson & Coleman S.C., spoke regarding Mr. Hudson's concept and that financing is in place to carry out the project.

Each council member and the Mayor questioned each presenter regarding their concept proposals. Questioning followed order of presentation with Mr. Colish first, followed by Mr. Hudson. Tulowitzky moved to open the floor, seconded Neimes. Motion carried unanimously. Jeremy Oswald, Washburn, stated that Mr. Colish was asked if he has looked at alternate locations for his concept and questioned if Mr. Hudson had been asked the same. Mr. Hudson stated that he has not looked at a different location for this type of development. Broberg moved to close the floor, seconded by Novachek. Motion carried unanimously.

**Closed Session - Consideration to Negotiate Offers for Property at 204 W. Bayfield St. – A motion was made by Broberg to go into closed session at 8:15PM pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute §19.85(1) (c), to consider negotiations for the property at 204 W Bayfield St., following which the Council may reconvene in open session to take any action that may be necessary on the closed session items, second by Neimes. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.**

A motion was made by Anderson to return into Open Session at 9:15PM, second by Novachek. Motion carried unanimously. Moved by Anderson to continue negotiations with Badger Colish for the purchase of 204 W. Bayfield St., second by Tulowitzky. Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjourn** – Mayor Motiff adjourned the meeting at 9:27PM.

Tony Janisch  
Assistant City Administrator