

April 17, 2018

**CITY OF WASHBURN RE-ORGANIZATIONAL COMMON COUNCIL MEETING**

5:30PM Washburn City Hall

Present: City Council Members: Jeremy Oswald, John Gary, Robert Arquette, Karen Spears Novachek, Jennifer Maziasz, Mary McGrath

Municipal Personnel: Mayor Richard Avol, City Administrator Scott J. Kluver, Assistant City Administrator Dan Stoltman, City Attorney Siegler

Excused Absence: None (vacant Council Seat)

**Call to Order** - Meeting called to order at 5:30PM by Mayor Avol. Roll call attendance depicted six (6) of six (6) members of the Common Council in attendance (vacant seat). Quorum of the Council recognized.

**Public Comment** – None

**Mayoral Announcements, Proclamations, Appointments-** Randy S. and Warren Nelson sang a song. Mayor Avol gave his inaugural speech as Mayor.

**Election of Council President** – No discussion took place. A motion was made by Maziasz to elect McGrath to Council President, second by Oswald. Motion carried unanimously.

**Election of Plan Commission Member (2/3 Vote Required)** – No discussion took place. A motion was made by McGrath to elect Oswald to Plan Commission, second by Novachek. Motion carried unanimously.

**Confirmation of Council Member Appointments to Boards, Commissions, Committees & Confirmation of Citizen Appointments to Boards, Commissions, Committees** – Mayor Avol stated that the city has Harbor Commission, Housing Authority, and Zoning Board of Appeals positions open, and applications should be submitted to the Mayor by May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Mayor Avol stated that all current Council and citizens serving on a board or committee that are up for re appointment would like to be re-appointed with the exception of Steven Schram from Harbor Commission. The Mayor stated he would like to nominate Karen Novachek to the Personnel and Finance Committee. The Mayor stated he would be willing to be on the joint review board. A motion was made by McGrath to approve all Council and citizen re appointments, Novachek to Personnel and Finance, and Mayor Avol to the Joint Review Board, second by Maziasz. Motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion and Action on Approval of Contract with Dallenbach, Anich & Wickman, S.C. for Municipal Attorney Services with Max Lindsey as Primary Counsel** – No discussion took place. A motion was made by Novachek to approve the contract with Dallenbach, Anich & Wickman, S.C. for municipal attorney services with Max Lindsey as primary counsel, second by Gary. Motion carried unanimously.

**Designation of Public Depository (s)** – No discussion took place. A motion was made by McGrath to approve all listed below as the public depository(s), second by Novachek. Motion carried unanimously.

- Bremer Bank
- Chippewa Valley Bank
- Northern State Bank

**Designation of Official Newspaper-** Oswald asked if the city had another option. Kluver stated the Bayfield County Journal is an option, but wouldn't recommend it due to it only being a once weekly insert in the Ashland Daily Press. It was stated that the city would like to see more coverage from the Ashland Daily Press. A motion was made by McGrath to designate the Ashland daily Press as the official paper, second by Novachek. Motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion and Action on Appointment Process for Vacant 2<sup>nd</sup> District Alderperson Seat** – A discussion took place on the ways the seat can be filled. Avol stated his preference would be to announce the open seat and accept applications for the seat to be filled by appointment at the May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Council meeting. A motion was made by McGrath to fill the vacant seat by appointment as outlined in Administrator Kluver's memo, second by Novachek. Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjourn** – A motion was made by Novachek to adjourn at 6:00pm, second by McGrath. Motion carried unanimously.

Dan Stoltman  
Assistant City Administrator