

**MINUTES
CITY OF JEFFERSON COMMON COUNCIL
JULY 5, 2005**

The Tuesday July 5, 2005, meeting of the City of Jefferson Common Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Stevens. Members present were: Ald. Wagner, Ald. Coffman, Ald. Beyer, Ald. Gang, Ald. Olsen, Ald. Benka, Ald. McGrath and Ald. Stewart. Also present were: City Administrator Bierma, City Attorney Brantmeier, and Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer Baumann.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Ald. Wagner thanked Barb Endl and Tomorrow's Hope for all the effort put into this fundraiser. It was again very successful.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ald. Wagner introduced Resolution No. 40.

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 40**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin that the consent agenda for July 5, 2005 is hereby adopted.

The consent agenda for tonight includes:

- ◆ Vouchers Payable for July 2005 in the amount of \$43,211.89 and Payroll Summary for June 10, 2005 in the amount of \$115,196.44.
- ◆ Council Minutes from June 21, 2005 Regular and Closed Minutes from June 21, 2005.
- ◆ Licenses as Approved by the Regulatory Committee
 - ▣ 2005 New Beverage License Applications
 - ▣ Special Class B Licenses

Ald. Wagner, seconded by Ald. McGrath moved to recommend Resolution No. 40. Motion carried unanimously on call of the roll.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A NEW
INTERNATIONAL DUMP TRUCK AND SUPPORTING EQUIPMENT**

Ald. McGrath introduced Resolution No. 41.

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 41**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin that the City Administrator be authorized to purchase a 2006 International chassis not to exceed \$47,235.88 from Trucks Inc. of Janesville, Wisconsin and a dump body, hoist and

hydraulic system, a snow plow lift and tailgate spreader from Monroe Truck Equipment not to exceed \$22,143.00.

Ald. Gang was pleased to see that this total was less than budgeted.

Ald. McGrath, seconded by Ald. Benka moved to recommend Res. No. 41. Motion carried unanimously on call of the roll.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE FISH LADDER ON THE ROCK RIVER IN COOPERATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 42**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin that the City Administrator be authorized to sign appropriate documents for the construction of the fish ladder on the Rock River in cooperation with the Department of Natural Resources.

Mr. Donald Bush and Ms. Laura Stremick-Thompson, DNR representatives, were present for questions. Mr. Bush stated that the projected start date is August 1, 2005 and completion around September 1, 2005.

Ald. Wagner asked if the water level north of the dam would be less in summer. Mr. Bush said it would stay about the same.

Ald. Coffman questioned the apparent low level of the river north of the dam.

Mr. Bush stated the level is as the weather conditions dictate. In order to manipulate the level, negotiations would have to be made with landowners for flooding rights; which then make the City liable for damages. Mr. Bush said the operating orders for the dam would not change.

Ald. Benka said the construction of the fish ladder would not impede levels.

Ald. Gang asked if it is possible to raise the upper level.

Mr. Bush stated that was a totally separate issue. The issue at hand is to authorize the City to sign appropriate documents for the commencement of the project with the Department of Natural Resources.

Ald. Beyer stated that this construction would allow more variety of fish upstream and enhance fishing. Mr. Bush said it would enhance the Lake Koshkonong and Rock River variety of fish species.

Ald. McGrath asked about grants.

Mr. Bush said there is money available from environmental damages claims through the Department of Justice. He also said there were DNR, Federal and private grant money available. No money is needed from the City.

Atty. Brantmeier had questions on the actual agreement for clarification. City Atty. Brantmeier read that the anticipated cost to the City would be \$17,000 and that amount would be provided by the Rock River Coalition, hence, no cost to the City.

The motion was made to recommend Resolution No. 42. On call of the roll, motion carried 7-1 with Ald. Coffman dissenting.

The motion was made by Ald. Wagner and seconded by Ald. Benka to adjourn to Closed Session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin State Statutes to discuss land negotiations. On call of the roll, motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Beyer, seconded by Ald. Benka moved to reconvene to Open Session. On call of the roll, motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN
APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS FOR THE TRANSFER OF PROPERTY AT 201
AND 203 MILWAUKEE STREET TO CLARIFY A BOUNDARY.**

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 43**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin that the City Administrator is authorized to sign the appropriate documents to transfer property and retain easements at 201 and 203 W. Milwaukee St. from the City of Jefferson, a Municipal Corporation, to Edward Soleska.

Ald. Gang, seconded by Ald. McGrath moved to recommend Resolution No. 43. On call of the roll, motion carried unanimously.

The motion to adjourn was made by Ald. Benka and seconded by Ald. McGrath. Motion carried unanimously.

