

**MINUTES
CITY OF JEFFERSON COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2008**

The Tuesday, May 20, 2008 meeting of the City of Jefferson Common Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Myers. Members present were: Ald. Beyer, Ald. Oppermann, Ald. Cross, Ald. Endl, Ald. Tully, Ald. Brandel, Ald. Carnes and Ald. Peachey. Also present were: City Administrator Freitag, City Attorney Brantmeier, City Engineer Ludwig and City Clerk/Treasurer Stewart.

PUBLIC PARTICPATION

None.

PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL ALL EXISTING SIGN ORDINANCES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO SECTIONS 300-30(13) ARTICLE VIII (“SIGNS”), 300-49, 300-50, 300-51, 300-52, 300-53, 300-54, 300-55, 300-56, 300-57, 300-58, 300-59 OF THE CITY OF JEFFERSON MUNICIPAL CODE

Mayor Myers called the public hearing to order.

City Administrator Freitag read the Notice of Public Hearing.

City Administrator Freitag gave an explanation of the proposed signage ordinance.

Mayor Myers then announced that if any citizen wished to address the Common Council on this issue, they could stand and give their name and address and address the Council at this time.

Hearing from no one, Mayor Myers closed the public hearing.

Ald. Tully introduced Proposed Ordinance #6-08 for its second reading.

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
PROPOSED ORDINANCE #6-08**

An Ordinance to Repeal All Existing Sign Ordinances including, but not limited to Sections 300-30(13) Article VIII, (“signs”) § 300-49, 300-50, 300-51, 300-52, 300-53, 300-54, 300-55, 300-56, 300-57, 300-58, 300-59 of the City of Jefferson Municipal Code.

**THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JEFFERSON, WISCONSIN DO
ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Chapter 320 is hereby created as it relates to Signage for the City of Jefferson:

Chapter 320 SIGNS*

Complete Text of this Ordinance is on file in the office of the City Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Mayor Myers stated that the Chamber had formed an ad-hoc committee and they had reviewed and made changes to the proposed ordinance. Myers also indicated that the ordinance had been approved at Plan Commission and that any existing or permitted signs would be grandfather in.

Ald. Peachey questioned signage on abandoned property and how that would be handled. Mayor Myers stated that soon the Council will be acting on a Property Maintenance Ordinance which will address these types of issues.

Ald. Oppermann stated that he was concerned that electronic message board signs were being prohibited in the new ordinance. He stated that he feels that this is a newer type of media and was not sure that he agreed with this portion of the ordinance.

Mayor Myers stated that in general, and in most newer ordinances, electric message boards are not seen as attractive and are generally prohibited.

Ald. Oppermann asked if someone could apply for a variance. The Mayor stated yes.

Ald. Oppermann made a motion to remove the prohibition of electronic message board signs. Motion died for a lack of a second.

Ald. Peachey and Ald. Oppermann questioned if a time and temperature sign is OK. Mayor Myers and Attorney Brantmeier indicated that the ordinance does allow electronic time and temperature signs that do not scroll.

Ald. Tully, seconded by Ald. Peachey moved to recommend Proposed Ordinance #6-08. On call of the roll, motion carried unanimously.

AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE CHAPTER 232 OF THE CITY OF JEFFERSON MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO A STORMWATER ORDINANCE

Ald. Cross introduced Proposed Ordinance #9-08 for its second reading.

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
PROPOSED ORDINANCE #9-08**

An Ordinance to Create Chapter 232 of the City of Jefferson Municipal Code Related to the Creation of an Erosion Control and Stormwater Management Ordinance for the City of Jefferson.

**THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JEFFERSON, WISCONSIN DO
ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Chapter 232 is hereby created as the Erosion Control and Stormwater Management Ordinance for the City of Jefferson

Complete Text of this Ordinance is on file in the office of the City Clerk and is available for public inspection.

City Engineer Ludwig then gave a brief overview of the Stormwater and Erosion Control Management Ordinance. Ludwig stated that this is the mandatory portion of the Stormwater grant that the City received in 2007.

Warren Meyers of Town and Country Engineering then elaborated upon City Engineer Ludwig's comments. He stated that in the coming years, the Council may wish to update the ordinance so that it is always reflective of any important changes in DNR regulations/other legislation.

Attorney Brantmeier thanked Town and Country Engineering for the work they did on the ordinance.

Ald. Cross, seconded by Ald. Brandel moved to recommend Proposed Ordinance #9-08. On call of the roll, motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ald. Oppermann introduced Resolution No. 14.

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 14**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin that the consent agenda for May 20, 2008 is hereby adopted.

The consent agenda for tonight includes:

- ◆ Vouchers Payable May 2008 in the amount of \$248,719.41 and Payroll Summary for May 9, 2008 in the amount of \$128,989.61.
- ◆ Council Minutes from the April 15, 2008 Organizational Meeting and May 6, 2008 Regular Common Council Meetings.
- ◆ Licenses as Approved by the Regulatory Committee.
 - ◆ Operator's Licenses
 - ◆ Special Class B Licenses

Ald. Oppermann, seconded by Ald. Tully moved to recommend Resolution No. 14. On call of the roll, motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH LIESCH ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC. FOR REMEDIAL AND SITE CAPPING ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE OLD SCHWEGIER LOT AT 116 WEST WASHINGTON STREET

Ald. Peachey introduced Resolution No. 15.

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 15**

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Common Council of the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin hereby retains Liesch Environmental Services, Inc. to perform on-site remedial and construction management and BEBR Grant reporting and management activities for the environmental cleanup of the former Schweiger Manufacturing Property at a cost not to exceed \$160,000.00

City Administrator Freitag indicated that the City had worked diligently with Tyson and the railroad to try and make a land swap happen to expand Rotary Park. However, efforts thus far have not been successful. He stated that the City really needs to move ahead with the remediation of the parcel so we do not lose the grant funding that was awarded in 2007.

Also in attendance was the City's consultant from Liesch Environmental. He stated that the most recent estimate to remediate the site is coming in around \$159,000. He stated that, on behalf of the City, he contacted the Department of Commerce and was able to verbally secure enough additional grant funds to cover the cost of the entire contract. He noted that the request still needs approval from the Secretary and that if approved, the funds would be available in two weeks. It was noted that the City needs to move ahead with the remediation of the site because the City is aware of the contamination issue and he added that the proposal before them is the cheapest option to remediate the site.

Ald. Brandel, seconded by Ald. Oppermann moved to **amend** the resolution to read “ *at a cost not to exceed \$160,000, contingent upon receipt of additional Department of Commerce grant funds in the amount equal to the contract.*” On call of the roll, motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Peachey, seconded by Ald. Brandel moved to recommend **Amended** Resolution No. 15. On call of the roll, motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH RSV ENGINEERING FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A PARKING EXPANSION CONCEPT PLAN

Ald. Brandel introduced Resolution No. 16.

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 16**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin that the City Council hereby authorizes the City Administrator to execute the Professional Services Agreement with RSV Engineering, Inc. for the development of a Parking Expansion Concept Plan in the central business district at a cost not to exceed \$4,500.

Mayor Myers indicated that Resolution No.16 was unanimous at Finance Committee and had received positive approval from the RDA.

Ald. Peachey indicated that the funds would be taken out of the Downtown TIF.

Ald Brandel, seconded by Ald. Endl moved to recommend Resolution No. 16. On call of the roll, motion carried unanimously.

TEMPORARY CLOSURE AND LEASE OF A PORTION OF SOUTH FISCHER AVENUE

Ald. Beyer introduced Resolution No. 17

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 17**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of City of Jefferson, Wisconsin that the 100 block of South Fischer Avenue is hereby temporarily closed on June 8th, 2008 from 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm, to have a three family graduation party, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said right-of-way is hereby leased to the families of Michael Meyers, Timothy Babcock and David Hutchison in the sum of \$50.00 for said time-frame.

Ald. Beyer, seconded by Ald. Tully moved to recommend Resolution No. 17. On call of the roll, motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Peachey, seconded by Ald. Carnes moved to adjourn the Tuesday, May 20, 2008 meeting of the Common Council. On call of the roll, motion carried unanimously.

The minutes of the Tuesday, May 20, 2008, meeting of the Common Council are uncorrected. Any corrections made thereto will be noted in the proceedings at which time the minutes are approved.

Please Publish: ASAP

Need an affidavit

Not in the legal section