

**City of Lodi Common Council Meeting
Minutes – December 4, 2018**

Present: Mayor Ness, Alderperson(s) Tonn, Miller, Heckel, Stevenson, Hansen, Groves Lloyd

Staff: Julie Ostrander, Dawn Collins

Others: Nancy Long, Adele Van Ness, Rick Schoenemann, Nancy Martin (Lodi Enterprise)

Mayor Ness called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers at City Hall, 130 South Main Street, Lodi WI.

Roll call was taken – Tonn, Miller, Groves-Lloyd, Stevenson, Hansen and Heckel were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Input

Rick Schoenemann (Hwy 131) provided council a copy of an email he received with an error of a meeting date from the City and stated that the City can give him the emails of those to participate in the meeting and he will get it scheduled.

Update on Library Reorganization

Nancy Long, President of the Library Board, explained the changes and the struggles with the Library budget, stating that they cut what they could without losing Level 2 status. The Board was forced to look at the structure and reorganize. A previous consultant (Library Strategies) recommendation was to move from two Directors to one. She was complimentary to the Directors serving the Library. Nancy thanked the City for ongoing support with the library restructuring.

Columbia County Economic Development Committee 2019 Support

Nancy Long, County Board Supervisor, informed Council that, with less participation, the CCEDC is defunded. She stated there is approximately four months of operation left for CCEDC. She did express concern about the tourism component of EDC and inquired how it can be supported for the area. Nancy will be part of a meeting later in the week to explore ideas for promoting tourism to the area.

Consent Agenda: MOTION (Groves-Lloyd/Heckel) to approve items including Minutes of the Common Council Meeting on 11/06/2018, Minutes of the Joint Meeting of Lodi Area EMS/Fire/Town of Lodi/Town of West Point/City of Lodi on 11/12/18, and Resolution 18-86 to Approve a Memo of Understanding with Columbia County for WisVote. Item 6d was removed for a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Resolution 18-87 Authorizing the Write Off of Past Due Balances. MOTION (Stevenson, Groves-Lloyd) to approve Resolution 18-87. Roll call vote taken – Aye (Groves-Lloyd, Hansen, Heckel, Miller, Stevenson, Tonn); Nay (0). Motion carried unanimously.

Business Items:

Ordinance A-524 to Amend Chapter 217 Building Inspections. MOTION (Groves-Lloyd/Stevenson) to approve Ordinance A-524. It was noted this was to add retaining walls to the code. Roll call vote taken – Aye (Groves-Lloyd, Heckel, Hansen, Miller, Stevenson, Tonn); Nay (0). Motion carried.

Ordinance A-525 To Revise and Amend Chapter 300. MOTION (Stevenson/Groves-Lloyd) to approve Ordinance A-525. Heckel inquired whether Park Commission had a look at this. Adele stated they did have a discussion about it and were in agreement with it for funds in lieu of land. Fees were brought up, and Rich stated they will be taken up at a future meeting. Roll call vote taken – Aye (Groves-Lloyd, Heckel, Hansen, Miller, Stevenson, Tonn); Nay (0). Motion carried.

Draft of Scope of Services to Update the Comprehensive Plan. Stevenson explained that this item is for information purpose that the comprehensive plan will be reviewed in portions at a time by the Plan Commission. The plan is more than 10 years old and requires factual updates. General discussion took place about the parks plan fitting into the comprehensive plan.

Convene to Closed Session. MOTION (Groves-Lloyd/Heckel) to convene to closed session. Roll call vote taken – Aye (Groves-Lloyd, Heckel, Hansen, Miller, Stevenson, Tonn); Nay (0). Motion carried.

Reconvene to Open Session. MOTION (Stevenson/Groves-Lloyd) to reconvene to open session. Roll call vote taken – Aye (Groves-Lloyd, Hansen, Heckel, Miller, Stevenson, Tonn); Nay (0). Motion carried.

Possible Action on Resolution Authorizing Participation in the Preparation of a General Boundary Agreement. Discussion took place in closed session. **MOTION** (Stevenson/Heckel) to approve Resolution 18-88 to authorize participation in the preparation of a general boundary agreement with the Town of Lodi. Roll call vote taken – Aye (Groves-Lloyd, Heckel, Hansen, Miller, Stevenson, Tonn); Nay (0). Motion carried.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 2nd.

Adjourn. MOTION (Groves-Lloyd/Heckel) to adjourn at 8:10 PM. Motion carried.

Minutes by: Dawn A. Collins, City Clerk