



CITY OF MERRILL

COMMON COUNCIL

AGENDA • WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 9, 2016

Regular Meeting

City Hall Council Chambers

7:00 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Silent Prayer
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Roll Call
5. Public Comment Period
6. Minutes of previous Common Council meeting(s):
 1. Minutes of October 11, 2016 meeting and October 26, 2016 meeting
7. Revenue & Expense Reports(s):
 1. Revenue & Expense Report for Period Ending October 31, 2016
8. Communications and Petitions:
 1. Claim filed by Riverside on the Green Apartments for damages to the entry door of Apartment #2 at 808 E. State Street due to forced entry by the Merrill Police Department, on October 7, 2016. The City's insurance carrier recommends that this claim be disallowed. This recommendation is based on the fact that an investigation by the insurance carrier revealed no negligence on behalf of the City. The Police Department has discretionary immunity from liability in this case as the officer performed the forced entry as part of his duty to ensure the welfare of the resident.
 2. Claim filed by Michael & Austin Stevenson for damages to a vehicle allegedly caused by driving over an exposed manhole cover at the corner of Douglas Street and Sixth Street, on August 19, 2016. The City's insurance carrier recommends that this claim be disallowed. This recommendation is based on the fact that the City of Merrill has a contract with Ruotsala Construction LLC for the 2016 East Sixth Street Reconstruction Project. The contract requires Ruotsala Construction LLC to carry professional liability insurance for protection against claims arising out of the performance of its work.
9. Public hearing(s):
 1. Public hearing on proposed 2017 Budget
10. Board of Public Works:
 1. Discuss using Double Walled HDPE Pipe for Storm Sewer repair/construction. The Board of Public Works recommends approving the use of this type of pipe.

11. City Plan Commission:
 1. Site Plan for Northwoods Veteran's Support Center. at the corner of East Sixth Street and Johnson Street. The City Plan Commission recommends approval, contingent upon the approval of the rezoning of this parcel.
12. Health and Safety Committee:
 1. Consider request from Collin's Bar and Grill, 2501 W. Main St., for an extension of premises to sell alcoholic beverages in a fenced-in area outside their establishment, from 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, November 12, 2016 to 2:00 A.M., on Sunday, November 13, 2016, as part of their one-year anniversary celebration. Alderman Russell is bringing this request directly to the Common Council.
 2. Application from VFW Post 1638 for a temporary Class "B" (picnic) license to sell fermented malt beverages on land located on Johnson Street, as part of Veteran's Day and new location celebration on Friday, November 11, 2016. Alderman Russell is bringing this application directly to the Common Council.
13. Personnel and Finance Committee:
 1. Consider Police Department request to authorize sale of squad rifle components as part of an "upfit" program. The Personnel and Finance Committee recommends approval.
14. Placing Committee Reports on File:
 1. Consider placing the following committee reports on file: Airport Commission, Board of Public Works, Board of Review, City Plan Commission, Health & Safety Committee, Library Board, Merrill Enrichment Center Committee, Personnel & Finance Committee, Police & Fire Commission, Redevelopment Authority and Transit Commission.
15. Mayor's Appointments:
 1. Kevin Cohrs, to the Housing Authority, term to expire November 10, 2021.
16. Ordinances:
 1. An Ordinance amending Code of Ordinances Chapter 113, Article VI, Section 113-168, related to Off Street Parking Restrictions in Residential Areas. The Board of Public Works recommends approval.
 2. An ordinance amending the District Zoning Map of the City of Merrill, for Lot 1 of CSM No. 1755, requested by Church Mutual Insurance Company. The City Plan Commission recommends approval.
 3. An Ordinance amending the District Zoning Map of the City of Merrill, for Lots 1 and 3 of Certified Survey Map No. 426, requested by the City of Merrill (former Fox Point property). The City Plan Commission recommends approval.
 4. An Ordinance adopting the 2017 City of Merrill budget and establishing the tax levy for year 2016.

17. Resolutions:
 1. A resolution ratifying the hiring of employee relatives. The Personnel and Finance Committee recommends approval.
 2. A Resolution approving a Certified Survey Map on Heldt Street in the Town of Scott by Steve Schulz. The City Plan Commission recommends approval.
18. Mayor's Communications
19. Adjournment

William N. Heideman, CMC, WCMC
City Clerk

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