

**City of Oconomowoc**  
**Common Council Meeting Minutes**  
**February 01, 2022 - 7:30 PM**



**Aldermen Present:** Charles Schellpeper, Lou Kowieski, Chris Douglas, Matt Rosek, John Zapfel, Kevin Ellis, Karen Spiegelberg, Matt Mulder

**Also Present:** Robert Magnus, Betsy Bleck, Diane Coenen, Robert Duffy, Mark Frye, Jason Gallo, Craig Hoepfner, James Pfister, Ivan, Ivan Lam, Stan Riffle

Mayor Magnus called the Common Council Meeting to order at 7:34 PM.

**Call to Order and Confirmation of Appropriate Meeting Notice**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call**

**Approval of Meeting Minutes**

**a. Minutes of January 18, 2022**

Motion to approve the Council minutes of January 18, 2022 made by Rosek and seconded by Kowieski.

Motion carried 8-0-0.

**Committee Reports**

**a. Protection & Welfare - Rosek, Chr; Ellis, Secy; Douglas**

**1. Consider/act on Resolution 22-R3009 Granting New 2021-2022 "Class B" Intoxicating Liquor/Fermented Malt Beverage License to Ginger Ovens LLC**

Council discussed highest and best use of a "Class B" license noting the business operation is not a full-service restaurant or bar, there are limited hours of operation and no dinner menu. Jonathan Sanborn, applicant/owner spoke about future plans including longer hours, dinner menu, serving craft beers, wine and alcoholic beverages, however at this time he does not have the staff to implement all his plans. Council suggested Class "B" & "C" licenses may be more appropriate at this time.

Motion to deny the "Class B" license application for Ginger Ovens, LLC based on Council discussion of highest and best use made by Spiegelberg and seconded by Ellis.

Motion carried 8-0-0.

**Unfinished/Old Business**

**a. Consider/act on Ordinance 21-O1024 to Create a Planned Development (PD-4-21) Overlay with GC- General Commercial Zoning Located at 1408-1414 Summit Ave, 1350-1375 Royale Mile Rd & 1520 Unity Drive for Olympia Fields Commercial Development - 2nd Reading**

Gallo gave a PowerPoint presentation and outlined the revisions to the ordinance that Council made at the January 18, 2022 meeting.

Motion to amend the ordinance providing that the buildings north of the mixed-use buildings will be allowed to have a height of 65', removal of medical office building or hotel language from the ordinance, and all four of the proposed buildings are to contain building setbacks of no less

than 5' on the upper occupied level with Council approving the final building design made by Rosek and seconded by Zapfel.

Motion carried 6-0-2. Voted no: Schellpeper, Kowieski.

Motion to amend the ordinance to include setbacks for the four buildings that would replicate the Pleasant Street setbacks (Fowler Lake Village) with an overall height of the buildings to be at least 50' or greater which shall incorporate a minimum of one 5' setback in the first 30' and a second 10' setback thereafter made by Kowieski and seconded by Schellpeper.

Motion tied 4-0-4. Voted no: Zapfel, Ellis, Spiegelberg, Mulder. Magnus cast the tie breaking vote. Motion failed 4-0-5.

Motion to amend the ordinance to include safety elements/barriers along the terraced area on Summit Ave between Olympia Fields Dr and Pabst Rd made by Kowieski and seconded by Mulder.

Motion carried 8-0-0.

Motion to give the ordinance its second reading including the two amendments made by Rosek and seconded by Zapfel.

Motion carried 6-0-2. Voted no: Schellpeper, Kowieski.

## **New Business**

**a. Consider/act on Resolution 22-R3007 Authorizing Participation in the Department of Natural Resource Municipal Dam Grant Program - Peacock Dam Maintenance**

Motion to adopt Resolution 22-R3007 authorizing participation in the Department of Natural Resource Municipal Dam Grant Program for the Peacock Dam maintenance made by Zapfel and seconded by Ellis.

Motion carried 8-0-0.

## **Staff Reports**

**a. Lake Country Municipal Court Update - Judge Kay**

Judge Kay reported on the annual operations of the Lake Country Municipal Court and stated the biggest change in expenditures was the elimination of a full-time position and removal of three individuals from the health insurance plan.

## **Reports and Comments from the Aldermen**

Rosek passed out an article titled "Collaboration is Part of the Big Picture" and stated he would like to explore other ways the City can save money by collaborating with others such as sharing plowing services. He would also like to explore how we put agendas together. Kowieski noted the importance of discussion to make the best project, policy, etc. while maintaining professionalism as we have done this evening, which sets the tone for the rest of the year.

## **Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn made by Zapfel and seconded by Ellis.

Motion carried 8-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:53 PM.

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Minutes taken by Diane Coenen, City Clerk