

# City of Oconomowoc Common Council Meeting Minutes July 19, 2022 - 7:30 PM



**Aldermen Present:** Chris Douglas, Matt Rosek, Jennifer Aultman Kloth, Kevin Ellis, Karen Spiegelberg, Matt Mulder, Charles Schellpeper, Lou Kowieski

**Also Present:** Robert Magnus, Lucas Caine, Diane Coenen, Robert Duffy, Jason Gallo, Craig Hoepfner, Laurie Sullivan-Murray, Rachele Oelsner (*Planning Intern*), Scott Osborn, James Pfister, Joe Pickart, Ivan Lam, Stan Riffle

Mayor Magnus called the Common Council Meeting to order at 7:48 PM.

## Call to Order and Confirmation of Appropriate Meeting Notice

### Pledge of Allegiance

### Roll Call

### Public Hearing

#### a. Public Hearing

The purpose is to hear public comment on the proposed Zoning Ordinance text amendment that creates Section 17.804(9) pertaining to the termination of Planned Developments. The text amendment requires approved planned developments be completed within five years from the date of approval. If uncompleted, the Planner may refer the matter to the City Council for termination. The property owner would be provided written notice prior to formal action. The intent of the ordinance is to remove approved planned development zoning overlay districts from the City's official zoning map that have either not started or no longer need the Planned Development designation.

The hearing opened 7:49 PM. Gallo gave a brief introduction of what Planned Developments are, the criteria of the ordinance to terminate Planned developments and the recommendation of Plan Commission to allow seven years to complete and thirty days notification to terminate to the property owner versus the Planners recommendation of five years to complete with a twenty-day notice of termination. No other comments were received. The hearing closed at 7:53 PM.

### Approval of Meeting Minutes

#### a. Minutes of June 21, 2022

Motion to approve the Council minutes of June 21, 2022 made by Kowieski and seconded by Aultman Kloth.  
Motion carried 8-0-0.

### Comments/Suggestions from Citizens

- 1) Bill Zimmerman, 317 S. Concord Rd does not support allowing conceal carry in public buildings and the Library. He asked Council to reconsider that decision.
- 2) John Norcross, Deer Creek Ct (Town of Oconomowoc) does not support allowing conceal carry in public places.
- 3) Scott Pavlock, 1513 Whelan Dr stated construction trucks are a safety issue in the Prairie Creek Ridge Subdivision area. He provided a packet of photos for Council to review.
- 4) Mary Claire Lanser, 14550 W. Meadowshire Dr (New Berlin) reported on the public

listening/informational sessions held by the Rockwell Project group which were attended by 46 people.

- 5) Jane Owen, Box 254 (Nashotah) stated we need to take a moment to recognize the loss of life in the fire that happened across the street from the WLF D station. She also commented on how long it took to respond.

**Consent Agenda (Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered in one motion - a Council member may request to remove an item):**

**a. Treasurer's Report**

**1. Treasurer's Report - June 2022**

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda made by Kowieski and seconded by Mulder.

Motion carried 8-0-0.

**Committee Reports**

**a. Finance - Mulder, Chr; Schellpeper, Secy; Spiegelberg**

**1. Consider/act on 2022 Grants/Donations Received and Budget Amendments for 2nd Quarter (4/1/22 - 6/30/22)**

Motion to approve the 2022 grants/donations received and budget amendments for 2nd quarter (4/1/22 - 6/30/22) as presented made by Schellpeper and seconded by Rosek.

Motion carried 8-0-0.

**Plan Commission**

**a. Consider/act on Preliminary Subdivision Plat Application for Prairie Creek Ridge Addition #6 Located on Tax Key Numbers OCOC 0517.993; 0517.992; 0517.990; 0517.996.005; and 0519.999.006**

Motion to approve the Preliminary Subdivision Plat for Prairie Creek Ridge Addition #6, Tax Keys OCOC 0517.993; 0517.992; 0517.990; 0517.996.005 and 0519.999.006 made by Rosek and seconded by Kowieski.

Motion carried 8-0-0.

**b. Presentation/Discussion on Planned Development (PD) Overlay Zoning Districts**

Rachel Oelsner, Planning Dept. Intern gave a PowerPoint presentation.

**c. Consider/act on Ordinance 22-O1037 Creating Section 17.804(9) of the City of Oconomowoc Zoning Code Regarding Termination of Planned Developments - 1st Reading**

Motion to adopt Ordinance 22-O1037 on the condition that the termination period be five years and the property owners are given a thirty-day notice and waive the second reading made by Schellpeper and seconded by Kowieski.

Motion carried 8-0-0.

**New Business**

**a. Consider/act on Resolution 22-R3051 Authorizing Execution of the Use of ARPA Funds for Public Side Lead Service Line Replacements**

Motion to adopt Resolution 22-R3051 authorizing execution of the use of up to \$700K ARPA Funds for public side Lead Service Line replacements made by Kowieski and seconded by Schellpeper.

Motion carried 8-0-0.

**b. Consider/act to Authorize and Direct City Attorney to Settle Fleet Farm Excessive Assessment Claim vs City - Case Number 22-CV-887**

Motion to approve authorization and direct the City Attorney to settle Fleet Farm Excessive Assessment Claim vs City - Case #22-CV-887 made by Ellis and seconded by Schellpeper. Motion carried 8-0-0.

**c. Consider/act on Authorization for City Staff to Begin Preparing a Project Plan and TIF Agreement for Rockwell Partners, LLC Redevelopment Project**

Motion to approve authorization for City staff to begin preparing a Project Plan and TIF Agreement for Rockwell Partners, LLC Redevelopment Project allowing for a five story mixed use commercial/residential development, zero setbacks, the City to transfer lands and enter into a 99-year lease for public surface parking, boardwalk extension with evaluation of pier amenity, public restrooms in location as originally proposed, funds being allocated for Village Green reconstruction, and removal of the Community Room as originally proposed with an allocation of \$50K to investigate alternative location for a community space made by Ellis and seconded by Kowieski. Motion carried 5-0-3. Voted no: Douglas, Spiegelberg, Schellpeper.

**Staff Reports**

- a. Thackeray Trail Traffic Update** – Pfister reported on the complaints received from Thackeray Trail residents regarding traffic flow and speeding. Traffic studies have been conducted, options discussed and he is not recommending any additional stop signs on Thackeray Trail. The Police Dept. will continue to monitor traffic. Pfister stated he would provide the traffic study numbers and how stop sign locations are determined and general guidance from the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices to Sullivan-Murray for inclusion in the Weekly Update to Council.

**Reports and Comments from the Aldermen**

Ellis asked how calls to the police are addressed – is there a hierarchy depending on the type of call? He called 911 recently and the response took 30 minutes. He wants to know what the City can do to help the Police get to the calls sooner. Spiegelberg encouraged everyone to attend the Waukesha County Fair. Kowieski commented on the loss of life fire and the efforts being made through a referendum to increase staffing of the WLF. He also commented about Aultman Kloth's efforts at the Farmers Markets to get the referendum word out. Rosek commented on the fire across the street from the Fire Station and noted fire fighters need to be at the station when a call comes in for quicker response time. He suggested bollards for City Beach should be considered in addition to Village Green. Aultman Kloth stated the response time to the fire by WLF was 14 minutes and that fire fighters are not sitting at the station, but rather had to arrive at the station from home to get in the truck to go to the fire.

**Reports and Comments from the Mayor**

Magnus gave a shout out to Duffy for his work on the CBS58 video. He also stated staffing levels at the Police Dept. affects response time.

**Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn made by Kowieski and seconded by Aultman Kloth.

Motion carried 8-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:11 PM.

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Minutes taken by Diane Coenen, City Clerk