

**CITY OF TWO RIVERS
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
WORK SESSION
Monday, June 29, 2020 – 6:00 PM
Council Chambers – City Hall
MINUTES**

1. Call to Order by President Curt Andrews at 6:00 PM.

MEETING WAS LIVESTREAMED ON TWO RIVERS CITY HALL FACEBOOK PAGE AND CITY WEBSITE (WWW.TWO-RIVERS.ORG) AND TELECAST ON SPECTRUM CABLE CHANNEL 993

2. Roll Call

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Adam Wachowski	Councilmember	Present	
Bill LeClair	Councilmember	Present	
Bonnie Shimulunas	Councilmember	Present	
Curt Andrews	President	Present	
Darla LeClair	Councilmember	Present	
Jack Powalisz	Vice-President	Present	
Jay Remiker	Councilmember	Present	
John Casavant	Councilmember	Present	
Mark Bittner	Councilmember	Present	

Also present were Jim McDonald, Public Works Director; Steve Denzien, Fire Chief; Brian Kohlmeier, Police Chief; Dave Buss, Finance Director; Elizabeth Runge, Economic Development Director/City Planner; Ross Blaha, Water Director; Rick Powell, EDP Supervisor; Jack Bruce, City Attorney and Greg Buckley, City Manager.

Chief Denzien read a Press Release from Two Rivers Fire Department to notify residents that two staff members have tested positive for COVID-19 and while they are working in conjunction with Manitowoc County Health Department it was determined that there was little to no chance of staff members spreading the virus to any patient due to the high level of Personal Protective Equipment that the members wear on every call.

Mr. Buckley gave an update report that last week, 12 parking spaces on the lake side of Parking Lot 1 were blocked off with highway barriers and about a foot of sand was placed over the approximately 3,000 SF area contained within those barriers. Informational signs and Southbreak trail signs were put up.

3. Discussion with Representative for Rogers Street Fishing Village, Regarding Agreement of Sale/Redevelopment of Former Rogers Street Motel Property

A motion was made to extend the contract on the purchase of the property located at 2010 Rogers Street, the former "Motel" property to December 31, 2022 with updates to the City Council.

Charles Hanf, President of Rogers Street Fishing Village, Gerald Thiede, Bob Baunknecht and Bonnie Timm asked permission for an extension on their organization's contract on the purchase of the property located at 2020 Rogers Street, for at least 18 to 24 months.

RESULT: APPROVED WITH ROLL CALL [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Bill LeClair, Councilmember
SECONDER: Jay Remiker, Councilmember
AYES: Adam Wachowski, Bill LeClair, Bonnie Shimulunas, Curt Andrews, Darla LeClair, Jack Powalisz, Jay Remiker, John Casavant, Mark Bittner

4. Possible Actions Related to Beer Gardens and Sidewalk Cafes

A. Possible Action: Consider Authorizing Permits for Temporary Outdoor Seating Areas in Response to COVID-19

B. Possible Ordinance Amendments to Facilitate Outdoor Beer Gardens and Sidewalk Cafes

Elizabeth Runge, Economic Development Director/City Planner reviewed the draft permits. Discussion took place to add a phone number and to standardize the time for amplified sound or music. The police department is looking at the current noise ordinance to make the modifications consistent. Liability Insurance should be included as a requirement that names the City as insurer on the policy. It was also suggested that there be a right for applicants to appeal to City Council if an application is denied by City staff.

Motion to approve temporary Outdoor seating area permit, with the changes as discussed and identified above.

RESULT: APPROVED WITH ROLL CALL [8 TO 1]
MOVER: Darla LeClair, Councilmember
SECONDER: Mark Bittner, Councilmember
AYES: Bill LeClair, Bonnie Shimulunas, Curt Andrews, Darla LeClair, Jack Powalisz, Jay Remiker, John Casavant, Mark Bittner
NAYS: Adam Wachowski

5. Consider Second General Fund Budget Amendment for 2020 General Fund Budget

Mr. Buckley noted that the amendment proposed \$25,000 in funding reductions in the Police and Parks and Recreation budgets, with \$15,000 to be transferred to the Community Development budget and \$10,000 added to the Contingency line item of the General Fund budget.

Discussion took place to fund the Communication Coordinator position that would push out positive stories about the City and take the lead in implementing the City's branding initiative.

An update on the Branding budget was requested for the next City Council meeting.

RESULT: FAILED [5 TO 4]
MOVER: Darla LeClair, Councilmember
SECONDER: Bill LeClair, Councilmember
AYES: Bill LeClair, Curt Andrews, Darla LeClair, Jack Powalisz, Mark Bittner
NAYS: Adam Wachowski, Bonnie Shimulunas, Jay Remiker, John Casavant

6. Consider Authorizing Inter-Fund Loans from Tax Incremental District No. 7 to Tax Incremental District No. 6 and to Water Utility

Mr. Buckley reviewed the proposed loans from TID 7: \$500,000 to the Water Utility, to cover a portion of the fund's \$2,700,000 negative fund balance and be repaid over the next six years at 3 percent annual interest (3 years interest only, three years principal and interest. \$210,000 to TID 6, to cover that TID's deficit balance and be repaid over the remaining eight years of TID 6. The City Manager noted that the Water Utility's annual debt service payments decline by over \$300,000 in 2024-thus the three-year payback starting in that year. He also noted that current revenues for TID 6 appear sufficient to pay off the \$210,000 loan before that TID is retired.

RESULT: APPROVED WITH ROLL CALL [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Adam Wachowski, Councilmember
SECONDER: Jack Powalisz, Vice-President
AYES: Adam Wachowski, Bill LeClair, Bonnie Shimulunas, Curt Andrews, Darla LeClair, Jack Powalisz, Jay Remiker, John Casavant, Mark Bittner

7. Ongoing Efforts to Replace Lead Water Service Laterals--Staff to Present Report at Utilities Committee Meeting on July 7 at 5:30 PM

Mr. Buckley reviewed the City's efforts to replace lead laterals in recent years and suggested that removal of all such laterals would be at least a 20 year program. Staff will present a more detailed report at the Public Utilities meeting on Tuesday, July 7 at 5:30 PM. He noted that 110 laterals being replaced next year with planned street reconstruction.

8. Review and Discuss Proposed Code of Conduct for Elected Officials--Recommendation from City Council Finance and Personnel Committee

Council President Andrews reviewed the draft Code of Conduct for Elected Officials. Councilmember Wachowski stated he doesn't like the Code of Conduct for Elected Officials. Comments will be taken before being adopted by City Council on Monday, July 6, 2020.

9. Closed Executive Session

At 8:20 PM, a motion to enter into closed session, per Wisc. Stats.19.85(1)(e) deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reason require a closed session. Discuss Negotiations Relative to Acquisition of Former Hamilton Property from Fisher Scientific International, LLC. Discuss Matters Regarding Economic Development Projects

RESULT: APPROVED ROLL CALL [8 TO 1]
MOVER: Jack Powalisz, Vice-President
SECONDER: Bill LeClair, Councilmember
AYES: Bill LeClair, Bonnie Shimulunas, Curt Andrews, Darla LeClair, Jack Powalisz, Jay Remiker, John Casavant, Mark Bittner
NAYS: Adam Wachowski

10. Reconvene in Open Session

At 8:45 PM, a motion to reconvene in open session and consider possible actions in follow-up to closed session discussions.

RESULT: **APPROVED VOICE VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Darla LeClair, Councilmember
SECONDER: Jack Powalisz, Vice-President
AYES: Adam Wachowski, Bill LeClair, Bonnie Shimulunas, Curt Andrews, Darla LeClair, Jack Powalisz, Jay Remiker, John Casavant, Mark Bittner

11. Adjournment

At 8:45 PM, a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting and adjourn.

RESULT: **APPROVED VOICE VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Bill LeClair, Councilmember
SECONDER: Jack Powalisz, Vice-President
AYES: Adam Wachowski, Bill LeClair, Bonnie Shimulunas, Curt Andrews, Darla LeClair, Jack Powalisz, Jay Remiker, John Casavant, Mark Bittner

Kim M. Graves
City Clerk