

CITY OF SHEBOYGAN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

JULY 25, 2016

Chair Joe Heidemann called the meeting to order at 6: 00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

ALDERPERSONS PRESENT: Chair Joe Heidemann, Alderpersons: John Belanger, Bryan Bitters, Jim Bohren, Mary Lynne Donohue, Job Hou-Seye, Scott Lewandoske, Andrew Schneider, Bill Thiel, Rosemarie Trester and Todd Wolf

ALDERPERSONS EXCUSED: Mike Damrow and Roman Draughon

ALDERPERSONS ABSENT: Mark Hermann, Susan Lessard and Tammy Rabe

STAFF/OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mayor Mike Vandersteen, City Administrator Darrell Hofland, Department of Public Works Director David Biebel, Finance Director Nancy Buss, Information Technology Director Dave Augustin, Director of Planning and Development Chad Pelishek and Fire Chief Mike Romas

MINUTES

Motion by Alderperson Wolf, seconded by Alderperson Bitters to approve the minutes of June 13, 2016. Motion Carried.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE RECOMMENDATION TO THE COMMON COUNCIL

2.1 Res. No. 11 - 16 - 17. By Alderperson Belanger. A Resolution extending the special charge for residential garbage and refuse disposal services provided by

the City.

City Administrator Darrell Hofland provided an overview of the special charge for residential garbage and refuse services that Alderperson Belanger is requesting the Committee of the Whole to consider extending, effective for January, 2017.

The original garbage user fee was approved by City Council in 2012 for \$7.16 per month and was reduced in subsequent years to \$5.00 per month.

The last action taken by the City Council on this matter was Resolution 67 - 14 - 15 in which the Council required a review of the special charge every two years with the first review to occur prior to the start of 2017.

The garbage user fee, at \$5.00 per month per household, generates \$1,200,000 per year. This money is deposited into the General Fund but linked to the annual street improvement program.

Director of Public Works David Biebel provided a PowerPoint presentation on 2017 Transportation Infrastructure Management. The report indicated the percentage of city streets receiving a failed Paser rating increased from 4.618 percent in 2007 to 6.560 percent in 2013 and up to 14.084 percent in 2015. That is a 205 percent increase between 2007 and 2015. Project type cost vary from \$5.50 per foot for crack filling to \$225 per foot for concrete road reconstruction. The total amount needed for repairing streets, bridges and equipment is \$62,058,229. The report assumes the funding sources to include: \$11,200,000 - Wheel tax \$16,800,000 - Garbage user fee \$ 6,250,000 -

Special assessments \$ 2,800,000 -

County Sales Tax \$25,200,000 - Debt issuance \$62,250,000 TotalDiscussion followed Director of Public Works David Biebel's presentation. All agreed that streets are in need of maintenance and repair, however some felt that other funding mechanisms should be explored. With the County sales tax and wheel tax recently added to city tax payers it was felt by several that their constituents shouldn't be subjected to continue to pay the garbage fee when it was scheduled to end this year.

Motion by Alderperson Belanger, seconded by Alderperson Lewandoske to amend

the resolution from \$5.00 to \$2.50 per month for five years.

Aldersperson Hou-Seye stated there wasn't a motion on the floor for the original resolution.

Motion by Aldersperson Belanger, seconded by Aldersperson Bitters introducing Resolution No. 11 - 16 - 17 by Aldersperson Belanger extending the special charge for residential garbage and refuse disposal services provided by the City. Aldersperson Belanger then asked to attach his amendment that was previously stated.

Motion by Aldersperson Belanger, seconded by Aldersperson Bitters to amend the resolution from \$5.00 to \$2.50 per month for five years.

Motion by Aldersperson Bohren, seconded by Aldersperson Lewandoske making a friendly amendment to reduce from five years to three years. Motion carried. (7 Ayes - Alderspersons Bohren, Heidemann, Hou-Seye, Lewandoske, Schneider, Thiel, Trester) (4 Nays - Alderspersons Belanger, Bitters, Donohue and Wolf)

Chairman Heidemann stated that there is a motion on the floor to amend the original resolution to \$2.50 per month for three years and vote was taken. Motion carried. (6 Ayes - Alderspersons Belanger, Bitters, Bohren, Hou-Seye, Lewandoske, and Schneider) (5 Nays - Alderspersons Donohue, Heidemann, Thiel, Trester, Wolf)

NEXT MEETING DATE: TBD

ADJOURN. Motion by Aldersperson Belanger, seconded by Aldersperson Wolf to adjourn at 7: 11 p.m.

Motion carried.