

ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, June 11, 2019 – 5:30 PM
Ashland City Hall Council Chambers

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The Tuesday, June 11, 2019 Ashland City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Debra Lewis, in the Ashland City Hall Council Chambers at 5:30 p.m. Roll call was taken, a Moment of Silence was held, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A. Roll Call

PRESENT: Holly George, Matthew MacKenzie, Sarah Jackson, Kate Ullman, Ana Tochtermann, Wahsayah Whitebird, Kevin Haas, Charlie Ortman, Liz Franek, Dick Pufall, and Jackie Moore.

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Deb Lewis, Administrator Brant Kucera, Clerk Denise Oliphant, City Attorney Tyler Wickman, Planning Director Megan McBride, Public Works Director John Butler, Police Chief James Gregoire, Airport Manager Bill Moore, and other concerned citizens.

B. Moment of Silence

C. Pledge of Allegiance

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Voice)

Moore moved, seconded by Pufall approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of the May 28, 2019 Council and Committee of the Whole Meetings, and May 31, 2019 City Council Retreat

Haas moved, seconded by Pufall to approve. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

A. May 28, 2019 City Council Meeting Minutes

B. May 28, 2019 Committee of the Whole Minutes

C. May 31, 2019 City Council Retreat

4. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PERIOD (Clerk reads rules prior to public comments)

The Clerk read the Rules for Citizen Participation, and the following offered their comments to the Council:

Jerry Aerts, recently relocated to the area, talked of a recent issue he had with a local motel, claiming he was overcharged. He filed a report with the Ashland Police Department as well with the Ashland Chamber of Commerce.

Elizabeth Andre, 908 9th Avenue West, spoke about the proposed parking lot Conditional Use Permit along Main Street West, stating there could be more discussion regarding alternative parking options near the Hotel.

Eric Lindell, 2014 ½ Main Street West, spoke in support of resolving to create an RDA to finance the police facility, and encouraged collaboration of neighboring communities to gain funding and grants for large-scale projects.

Melody Phipps, presented herself as a recently relocated resident and newly appointed Public Works Committee member, and commented on the recent positive changes in regard to property maintenance and questioned neighboring violations. She also commented to recent work toward the sewage overflow issues.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT

A. Announcements

The Mayor thanked the Council for attending the Council Retreat, and reminded those who did not already sign up to attend the League of Wisconsin Municipalities sponsored Local Government 101 conference on June 28, 2019, to contact the Clerk. Representatives from the Wisconsin Coastal Management and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration will be touring Ashland next week to view projects they each have helped fund through grants. The City received a TruGreen award recently recognizing work done toward waterfront projects in Ashland. The Ashland High School girls soccer team will be headed to State competition with a send-off tomorrow beginning at 11:00 a.m.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

George moved, seconded by Haas approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

A. Miscellaneous Minutes

B. Approve Greta A. Oliphant as New Agent for the Alcohol Beverage License Application for Compass Group USA, Inc. at 1411 Ellis Avenue, Ashland

C. Operators' Licenses

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. Approve to Amend Chapter 544 (1026), Reserved Parking, Vehicular Stopping and Parking, Ashland City Ordinances, to include a Designated Disabled Parking Space on the South Side of the 700 Block of Main Street West from Chequamegon Food Cooperative as Approved by Council on May 28, 2019 *(Voice)*

Pufall moved, seconded by Whitebird to approve. The motion passed 10-1 by voice vote; Ortman opposed.

B. Approve Resolution in Support of Housing a Naval Destroyer at the City of Ashland *(Voice)*

Franek moved, seconded by Whitebird to approve. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approve to Purchase a Lawn Tractor from Northland Lawn, Sport & Equipment, and an Aviation Radio from Marv Golden Pro-Forma for the JFK Memorial Airport *(Roll)*

George moved, seconded by Haas to approve to purchase for the total amount of \$22,353.74, of which \$4,470.74 is the responsibility of the Airport. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

B. Approve to Purchase a New Credit Card Reader for the JFK Memorial Airport, and to Approve to Waive Chapter 194.03, Ashland City Ordinances, for O'Day Equipment, LLC *(Roll)*

George moved, seconded by Whitebird to approve for the amount of \$15,349.34. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

C. Approve to Award KLM Engineering, Inc. a Contract for the Beaser Elevated Tower, Binsfield Standpipe, and Clearwell Water Tank Inspections *(Roll)*

George moved, seconded by Ullman to approve for the amount of \$12,540.00. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

D. Approve a Resolution to Issue a Conditional Use Permit to Allow Parking as Principal Use in the City Center (CC) District at 900 Main Street West, Parcel #201-00192-0000, Applicant Mark Gutteter *(Voice)*

Pufall moved, seconded by George to approve. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

E. Approve Easement Agreement with LeRoy A. Watland, Jr., 1020 Lake Shore Drive West, Ashland, and Link International Investments, 104 11th Avenue West *(Voice)*

Franek moved, seconded by Ortman to approve. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Moore moved, seconded by Haas to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Oliphant,
City Clerk

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