

**COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF DE PERE, WISCONSIN - February 5, 2008**

The Common Council of the City of De Pere, Wisconsin, met in regular session at the Council Chambers in City Hall, on Tuesday, February 5, 2008.

Mayor Walsh called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m. Roll call was taken and the following members were present: Alderpersons Holly Arnold, Carl Castelic, Jerome Daanen, Michael Donovan, Sam Dunlop, Paul Kegel, Dan Robinson and Kathy Van Vonderen. The Opening Prayer was given by Alderperson Donovan and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Alderperson Kegel moved, seconded by Alderperson Dunlop, to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2008 meeting. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

4. Mayor Walsh recognized the following 2007 city employees who retired: Les Kornowske, Paid on Call Firefighter for 26 years of service; John Koser, Police Captain for 31 years of service; Bill Patzke, Director of Planning & Economic Development for 18 years of service; and James Van Vonderen, Fire Captain for 28 years of service.

5. Lt. Commander Mark Stewart from the United States Navy presented a plaque to Sergeant Erik Dahl and Assistant Fire Chief Jim Stupka for their naval support.

13. Public Comment or other Announcements: Mayor Walsh asked if there was anyone present who wished to speak during public comment at 7:46 p.m.

Jacob Bain, 7057 Holly-Mor Rd, Greenleaf and Collin Mettelka, 1177 Shetland Place, both from the De Pere High School Ecology Club spoke on behalf of their club stating on Feb. 27th there will be a presentation on fostering sustainability in De Pere at St. Norbert College at 7:00 p.m. in Cofrin Hall, Room 11. Jay Moynihan, UWEX Community Development Educator from Shawano County, will be the speaker and they invited everyone to attend.

Mike Kersten, 1293 Outward Ave, former employee of the WWTP for 37 years, presented comments on the transfer of the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) and the unused sick leave benefit. He urged the Council to reconsider their offer on sick leave to put favorable closure on this matter.

Doris Buyarski, 1601 Swan Rd, former employee of the WWTP, spoke on the earned sick leave and felt it should not be looked at as a benefit only when you retire. It's meant for when you get sick and for surgery to pay the bills. They have earned it and deserve it and feel they have given up enough.

Dan Carpenter, 1180 Trailwood Dr, representing the De Pere Municipal Employee Association Union (MEA), spoke on the sick leave issue for the former employees of the WWTP. They put another proposal together for a sliding scale on the sick leave to be considered tonight and feels these employees put their time in and deserve what they have coming.

There was no one else present who wished to speak and Mayor Walsh closed public comment at 8:00 p.m.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE LICENSE COMMITTEE

6A. Alderperson Arnold moved, seconded by Alderperson Kegel, to approve an application for a Class "B" Beer & "Class B" Liquor License for Gen Eds, 365 Main Street, De Pere. Submitted by SDG Enterprises, LLC. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

6B. Alderperson Kegel moved, seconded by Alderperson Arnold, to approve an application for a Dance & Entertainment License for Gen Eds, 365 Main Street, De Pere. Submitted by Shanon D. Gilmet. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

7. Resolution #08-03 Authorizing Agreement Regarding the Sale and Purchase of Certain Property Between the City of De Pere and R.K. Future, LLC was presented. Alderperson Van Vonderen moved, seconded by Alderperson Dunlop, to approve the resolution. Upon discussion and vote, motion carried unanimously.

8. Resolution #08-04 to Include City Credit Card Issuance & Use Policy in City Rules & Regulations was presented. Alderperson Donovan moved, seconded by Alderperson Kegel, to approve the resolution. Upon discussion and vote, motion carried unanimously.

9. Resolution #08-05 Initiating the Vacation of Public Right-of-Way (Part of Jacobs Court) was presented. Alderperson Dunlop moved, seconded by Alderperson Donovan, to refer this resolution for a public hearing on March 18, 2008. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

10. Resolution #08-06 Initiating the Vacation of Public Right-of-Way (Part of College Ave) was presented. Alderperson Kegel moved, seconded by Alderperson Dunlop, to refer this resolution for a public hearing on March 18, 2008. Upon discussion and vote, motion carried unanimously.

11. Alderperson Daanen moved, seconded by Alderperson Donovan, to approve construction of a Southwest Park Concession/Bathroom Facility in 2008 using the Shared Energy Fund not to exceed \$183,000. Upon discussion and roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

12. Mayor Walsh presented the reappointment of Elizabeth Runge and Tom Monahan to the Historic Preservation Commission for a three-year term expiring January 31, 2011. Alderperson Castelic moved, seconded by Alderperson Donovan, to approve the appointments. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

14. Alderperson Dunlop moved, seconded by Alderperson Van Vonderen, to approve the vouchers. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

15. Alderperson Arnold moved, seconded by Alderperson Castelic, to approve Operator License Applications #1-5 & 8-10 listed below. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Alderperson Arnold moved, seconded by Alderperson Castelic, to table Operator License Application #6 listed below to the first meeting in March. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Alderperson Arnold moved, seconded by Alderperson Castelic, to deny Operator License Application #7 listed below. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

OPERATOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS FOR FEBRUARY 5, 2008						
	LIC#	NAME	STREET ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
1	609	DIEDERICH, STEPHANIE R	1011 STUART STREET	GREEN BAY	WI	54301
2	610	EGGEBRECHT, ALYSSA L	494 S GOOD HOPE ROAD, APT 3	DE PERE	WI	54115

3	611	KLEINSCHMIDT, TRACEY A	2127 SWANSTONE CIRCLE	DE PERE	WI	54115
4	612	KOLLER, LILY R	119 N ADAMS STREET	GREEN BAY	WI	54302
5	613	MINIX, JASON R	1484 BUFFALO STREET	GREEN BAY	WI	54313
6	tabled	SAUER, ALYSSA M	2286 COLLIER COURT	GREEN BAY	WI	54311
7	denied	SCHULTZ, CHRISTOPHER M	810 NEUFELD STREET	GREEN BAY	WI	54304
8	614	SEDLACHEK III, KENNETH J	1534 PROPER STREET UPPER	GREEN BAY	WI	54302
9	615	WALDRON, JOHN R	1019 BEAVER DAM DRIVE	GREEN BAY	WI	54304
10	616	WILLIAMS, MICHAEL J	3124 RIDGEVIEW TERRACE	GREEN BAY	WI	54301

16. Future Agenda Items: Alderperson Robinson requested, for the second Council meeting in April, a discussion on affordable housing and homelessness be a part of a presentation that includes 1) a presentation by someone in the community knowledgeable on the subject; 2) discussion on the appropriate niche the De Pere community might fill in the continuum housing options needed in the county; and 3) discussion on the appropriate role the City might play, whether or not to urge more action by county government, and/or whether private organizations and individuals should play a prominent role.

Alderperson Dunlop suggested beginning the process to consider possible referendum questions for the fall ballot and how to educate the people.

Alderperson Arnold announced if anyone is looking for a volunteer opportunity, the Brown County Citizen Corps Council has volunteer opportunities available and their information can be found on the City's website at www.de-pere.org or www.bccitizencorps.org.

17/18. Alderperson Van Vonderen moved, seconded by Alderperson Dunlop, to convene in closed session at 8:37 p.m. pursuant to Wis. Stats. §19.85(1)(e) and (g) regarding collective bargaining issues covering the Municipal Employee Association & personnel issues. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Alderperson Van Vonderen moved, seconded by Alderperson Arnold, to reconvene in open session at 9:35 p.m. pursuant to Wis. Stats. §19.83 and 19.85(2). Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Upon motion by Alderperson Robinson, seconded by Alderperson Donovan, the Common Council unanimously adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene M. Peterson
City Clerk-Treasurer