

CITY OF SHULLSBURG
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 7, 2008
6:30 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Shullsburg was held at 6:30 p.m. January 7, 2008 in the Community Room of the Shullsburg Community Townsend Center, 190 N. Judgement Street, Shullsburg, Wisconsin. Mayor Tom Curran called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. Notice of the meeting was posted and given to newspaper. Roll Call- Josh Jerry, Cheryl Fink, Carol Korn- Present. Others present: Wayne Ghert, Stan Woodworth, Tom Gunnell, Rick Moyer, Carl Ballard, Darrell Morrissey, Tom Lehtlean, Bill Nethery and Dan Spillane.

Motion by Fink second by Jerry to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2008 meeting. All aye, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Ald Korn reported a leave request for Verne Jackson. Motion by Fink second by Korn to accept the committee reports. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Jerry second by Fink to approve the bills for the general, water, sewer, electric, pool and library funds. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Fink second by Jerry to appoint Stan Woodworth as Ward 2 Alderperson. All aye, motion carried. Woodworth was given the oath office.

Charles Gensler, Ellie Landau and Louie Landau arrived.

After a brief discussion a motion was made by Fink second by Jerry to rescind the Employee Handbook and take it back to the committees. Jerry, Fink, Woodworth-Yes, Korn- No. Motion carried.

After a brief discussion a motion was made by Jerry second by Fink to follow the city attorney's suggestion to put a line item on the agenda for future agenda items. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Fink second by Korn to approve an employment contract for City Clerk/Treasurer, Marsha Einsweiler. All aye, motion carried.

A discussion was held regarding the elected officials salary. At the 2009 budget hearing, Ald Jerry suggested that the mayor and council wages be removed from the budget and the 2009 budget was adopted accordingly. In researching the matter further, it was discovered that a governing body may not waive his or her annual salary but can opt to make a gift of the salary to the municipality. Therefore the 2009 budget will need to be amended to allow for the mayor and council wages.

No action was taken regarding the 2008 budget amendments. It will be addressed at the January 21st council meeting.

Motion by Korn second by Jerry to approve up to \$1,500 for the purchase of a computer for the City Clerk/Treasurer's office. All aye, motion carried.

After a brief discussion regarding an Investment Policy, no action was taken and the matter will be addressed at the January 21st council meeting.

No action was taken regarding the Resolution Amending the Municipal Fee Schedule. It will be addressed at the January 21st council meeting.

A brief discussion was held regarding the maturing certificates of deposit. There are three CD's that are maturing in January. Two of the CD's mature on January 18th and will be addressed at the January 21st council meeting. One CD matured January 3rd and will be deposited into the general money market until the January 21st council meeting, at which time the council will decide how the funds should be invested.

No action was taken regarding an Ordinance Repealing and Recreating Section 7.03 Snow Emergency Parking of the City of Shullsburg Municipal Code. It will be addressed at the January 21st council meeting.

Motion by Jerry second by Fink to approve a Resolution Naming News Media Outlets to be notified when a snow emergency is declared. All aye, motion carried.

A brief discussion was held regarding a February primary. The clerk/treasurer informed the council that the cost to program the election machine for a city primary is the responsibility of the city. It was decided that a primary election would not be held.

During the public comment session of the meeting, Wayne Gehrt inquired about the amount of funds in the general checking account.

The clerk/treasurer reported that the auditors would be here January 16th for the preliminary audit work.

At 7:35 p.m. a motion was made by Jerry second by Fink to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1)(c) for the purpose of employee contract negotiations with Sergeant Rick Moyer. Roll Call- Curran, Woodworth, Fink, Korn, Jerry. All aye, motion carried.

At 8:04 p.m. a motion was made by Jerry second by Fink to reconvene into open session. Roll Call- Woodworth, Fink, Korn, Jerry, Curran. All aye, motion carried.

In open session no further discussion or action was taken.

At 8:05 p.m. a motion was made by Jerry second by Fink to adjourn. All aye, motion carried.

Marsha Einsweiler
City Clerk/Treasurer