

CITY OF SHULLSBURG
COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES
MARCH 7, 2007
6:30 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Shullsburg was held at 6:30 p.m. March 7, 2007 in the Community Room of the Shullsburg Community Townsend Center, 190 N. Judgement Street, Shullsburg, Wisconsin. Mayor Lance McNaughton called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Notice of the meeting was posted and given to the official newspaper. Roll Call- Engels, Edge, Korn, Fink- All present. Others present: Don Dickinson, Steve Curran, Gina Curran, Paul Polacek and Josh Jerry.

Motion by Fink second by Korn to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2007 meeting. All aye, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Ald Edge reported leave requests for Verne Jackson and Ron Schardt. Edge also reported purchase order number 1966.

Ald Fink reported a leave request for Chief Strause.

Motion by Edge second by Korn to accept the committee reports and approve the purchase order. All aye, motion carried.

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

Item number six on the agenda, discussion of street and bridge repair with County Highway Department, was not addressed. It will be addressed at a future meeting.

Three excavating bids were received. The following bids were opened by Mayor Lance McNaughton and read aloud: 1. 3M Excavating – Skid Loader- \$50/hr- Holiday & Emergency-\$75/hr, Dump Truck- \$50/hr- Holiday & Emergency-\$75; Mowy Bros- Backhoe, \$68/hr- Dump Truck - \$55/hr, Bobcat- \$48/hr- Holiday & Emergency Rates are the same; Louie Redfearn & Sons- Skid Loader- \$50/hr, End Loader- \$65/hr, Backhoe-\$75/hr, Bulldozer- \$85/hr. Motion by Korn second by Edge to rank the excavating companies in the following order according to bid amounts and instruct the municipal employees to refer to the priority listing when hiring subcontractors, Louie Redfearn -#1, Mowy Bros- #2 and 3M Excavating #3. All aye motion carried.

A discussion was held regarding purchasing an advertisement in the 2007 Visitor Guide for the Mine & Museum. Motion by Edge second by Fink to purchase a full page advertisement in the 2007 Visitors Guide for the mine & museum at a cost of \$250. All aye, motion carried.

A brief discussion was held regarding a waiver of liability for mine exploration. Ald Korn voiced her concerns regarding the safety of the EMS and fire fighter personal if an incident should occur that would require the rescue personal to enter the extended veins of the mine. The issue failed due to a lack of motion.

A discussion was held regarding the purchase of a new tractor. Ald Edge stated that leasing may be an option. It will be discussed in more detail at a future meeting.

A discussion was held regarding an ordinance amending Chapter 17.30 (4) Manufacturing District Conditional Uses. Mayor McNaughton stated that the Plan Commission has made a recommendation to approve this amendment. The amendment would allow any uses that are currently allowed in the B-1 and B-2 Districts to be allowed in the manufacturing district.

During the public comment session of the meeting Paul Polacek, attorney representing Steve & Gina Curran, addressed the council with regards to a request for a septic variance for the property located at 821 W. Water Street. Polacek stated that he would like to see this resolved in a way that both parties benefit. Mayor McNaughton stated that this issue has been addressed twice before but if any council member would like to reconsider the request after reviewing the information that was just presented to them, to please let him or the clerk know.

At 7:10 p.m. a motion was made by Korn second by Fink to adjourn. All aye, motion carried.

Marsha L. Einsweiler
City Clerk/Treasurer