

CITY OF SHULLSBURG  
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 2, 2009  
6:30 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Shullsburg was held September 2, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the Shullsburg Community Townsend Center, 190 N. Judgement Street, Shullsburg, Wisconsin. In the absence of Mayor Tom Curran, Council President Dan Spillane called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll Call- Darrell Morrissey, Carol Korn, Carl Ballard, Dan Spillane- All present. Others present. Dan Christopher, Tom Lethlean, Cheryl Fink, Joyce Hammill, Helen Royce.

Motion by Ballard second by Korn to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2009 meeting. All aye, motion carried.

Committee Reports: Ald Morrissey reported the following items: 1. The Gehrt Pavilion is going to be moved 50ft to the west. If the pavilion was left in the original location there would be a 31" drop off. Morrissey would like the other council members to take a look at the new location. 2. The Museum was broken into and some cash was taken. No items were taken from the museum. The only damage was to the door handle. 3. The pool party went well and made approximately \$385.

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

The renewal of the contract with Faherty Incorporated was approved by the street committee at the August committee meeting. Motion by Morrissey second by Korn to renew the three year contract with Faherty Incorporated for garbage and recycling services. All aye, motion carried.

The contract with MSA Professional was approved that the August Utility Committee meeting. Motion by Morrissey second by Korn to approve the contract with MSA for smoke testing services at the Waste Water Treatment Plant. All aye, motion carried.

Wayne Gehrt arrived.

A brief discussion was held regarding a plaque for the Dean & Adda Gehrt Pavilion. The following estimates were submitted from J P Vincent & Sons- 14 x12- \$651, 14 x 10- \$574, 14 x 8 -\$514, 14 x 6- \$408. Motion by Korn second by Ballard to approve the purchase a 14 x 12 plaque for the Dean and Adda Gehrt Pavilion at a cost of \$651. All aye, motion carried.

The temporary closing of Water Street for Cheesefest was approved at the August Street Committee Meeting. Motion by Morrissey second by Ballard to temporarily close Water Street from Mineral Street to Judgement Street on October 3, 2009 for Cheesefest. All aye, motion carried.

A discussion was held regarding the fireworks to be held in November. Dan Christopher was present for the Shullsburg Fire Department. Christopher stated that the fireworks setup plan should be the same as the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks. Ald Spillane had spoken to the company that is setting off the fireworks and stated that they will be setting off three inch shells. They want to set them off more to the left of the field but the company is willing to do whatever the city requires. Christopher stated that the fire trucks

will be in the parade and the fireworks cannot be shot off until there is a fire truck in the park. Ald Spillane will talk to Dan Morrissey or Dave Leahy regarding the matter.

Future Agenda Items: 1. Consider Fireworks permit application. 2. Joyce Hammill inquired about property boundaries. The property abutting Hammill's property has a house on it that encroaches onto her property and she cannot sell the property. Ald Spillane stated that is an issue between the property owners and the city cannot get involved. 3. Ald Ballard possible purchase of new squad car.

During the public comment session of the meeting the following items were discussed: 1. Wayne Gehrt stated that some land by the park that the city owns has been fenced off, this happened on July 3<sup>rd</sup> and nothing has been done about it, why. Ald Morrissey stated that Steve Leitzinger was waiting for a building permit application to be filed by the property owner and that hasn't been done. Ald Morrissey stated that he will take care of the matter. 2. Wayne Gehrt inquired about lights at the Veterans Memorial. Gehrt stated that the US Flag needs to be illuminated more at night. Gehrt feels that brighter lights are needed such as a spot light. Ald Spillane stated that it will be put on the next utility committee meeting agenda. 3. Tom Lethlean suggested that the park be closed be on November 28<sup>th</sup> for the fireworks. That way the firemen would not need to rope off a section of the park. Christopher stated that a precedence was set on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and they want to do the same thing as in July so there are no issues. 4. Cheryl Fink inquired about getting Miner Park cleaned up before Cheese Fest. Fink stated that there is an agreement with the city that states that the city will maintain the park. Fink was unsure if the new council members were aware of the agreement. Fink also stated that there needs to be a landscaper brought in to trim back the overgrown plants and that this should be done approximately every three years. 5. Due to the summer employees being done working, a discussion was held regarding the watering of the flowers on Water Street. Korn stated that Bill Kohl would water the flowers and no overtime would have to be paid. The flowers will be watered until the week before Cheesfest and then they will be taken down. 6. Ald Ballard inquired about barricades or cones to mark the dumpsters that are on the streets for the home repairs. It was suggested that the dumpsters be wrapped in yellow safety tap. 7. Ald Korn reported that she received some calls objecting to the building permit requirement for repairs caused by the storm. Ald Spillane feels that everyone should have a building permit but should not have to pay for it and feels that the city is taking advantage of the situation. The city has made no exceptions for the storm. Permits are required.

At 7:07 p.m. a motion was made by Ballard second by Morrissey to adjourn. All aye, motion carried.

Marsha Einsweiler  
City Clerk/Treasurer