

CITY OF SHULLSBURG
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 3, 2008
6:30 P.M.

A regular meeting the Common Council of the City of Shullsburg was held immediately following the 2009 Budget Hearing. Notice of the meeting was posted and given to the official newspaper. In the absence of the mayor the meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Council President Josh Jerry. Roll Call- Josh Jerry, Cheryl Fink, Carol Korn- All present. Others present: Wayne Gehrt, John Strause, Tom Pedley, Tom Gunnell, Ollie Cody, Charles Gensler, Mary Alice Pedley, Stan Woodworth, Rick Moyer, Tom Lethlean, Emmett Reilly, Bill Gile, Dave Leahy.

Motion by Fink second by Korn to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2008 meeting as amended. All aye, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Ald Fink reported a leave request for Rick Moyer. Ald Korn reported a purchase order in the amount of \$332.90 for the purchase of batteries for the 2001 Freightliner. Motion by Fink second by Korn to approve the purchase order and accept the committee reports. All aye, motion carried.

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

At 7:12 p.m. a motion was made by Fink second by Korn to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1) (c) for the purpose of employee contract negotiations for a minimum of 45 minutes. Roll Call- Jerry, Fink, Korn- All aye, motion carried.

At 9:36 p.m. a motion was made by Fink second by Korn to reconvene into open session. Roll Call- Fink, Jerry, Korn. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Fink second by Korn to approve the retirement agreement with Chief John Strause. Roll Call- Fink, Korn, Jerry. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Fink second by Korn to approve the Resolution Adopting the 2009 budget and tax levy. Roll Call- Jerry, Korn, Fink. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Fink second by Korn to close the burning grounds for the season effective immediately. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Fink second by Korn to approve purchase of fax machine for police department not to exceed \$150. Roll Call- Korn, Fink, Jerry. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Fink second by Korn to approve an agreement with the Housing Authority of Lafayette for Payment in Lieu of Taxes. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Fink second by Jerry to overturn the mayoral veto. Roll Call- Fink, Korn, Jerry- All aye, motion carried.

During the public comment session of the meeting a motion was made by Korn second by Jerry to place discussion only of interested candidates for the vacant seat of Ward 2 Alderperson on the next council agenda. Roll Call- Fink- Yes, Korn-Yes, Jerry- Yes. Motion carried.

Also during the public comment session of the meeting, discussion was held regarding the Employee Handbook. Ald Korn would like to have a discussion only on the agenda and would also like to have the Employee Handbook discussed at the committee

level. After further discussion, a motion was made by Korn second by Jerry to place discussion only of the Employee Handbook on the next council agenda. Roll Call- Jerry- No, Fink-No, Korn- Yes. Motion failed.

Motion by Fink to place discussion & possible action of Employee Handbook on the next council agenda. After further discussion, Ald Fink withdrew the motion.

Also during the public comment for following comments were made: 1. Wayne Gehrt questioned why the mayor was not at the meeting. 2. Mary Alice Pedley commented about alderpersons also missing meetings. 3. Tom Lethlean commended for the council for cutting the mayor and council wages.

At 10:12 p.m. a motion was made by Fink second by Korn to adjourn. All aye, motion carried.

Marsha Einsweiler
City Clerk/Treasurer