

**ABSTRACT/SYNOPSIS OF THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF THE OFFICIAL  
ACTIONS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHITEWATER,  
WALWORTH AND JEFFERSON COUNTIES, WISCONSIN.**

**September 2, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Council President Singer. MEMBERS PRESENT: Frawley, Abbott, Winship, Binnie, Singer, Bregant, Kidd. MEMBERS ABSENT: None. LEGAL COUNSEL PRESENT: Wallace McDonell.

It was moved by Bregant and seconded by Binnie to acknowledge receipt and filing of the Library Board Minutes of July 21, 2014. (Correction to Library Board Minutes noted - name should read Helmick instead of Hartwig). AYES: Frawley, Abbott, Winship, Binnie, Singer, Bregant, Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

**PAYMENT OF INVOICES.** It was moved by Bregant and seconded by Binnie to approve payment of invoices in the total sum of \$130,913.11. AYES: Frawley, Abbott, Winship, Binnie, Singer, Bregant, Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

**STAFF REPORTS:** Assistant City Manager Chris McDonell provided an update on the **Downtown East Gateway project.** Urban Forestry Commission members, as well as City Forester Chuck Nass, were present to receive the honored **Bird City USA designation.** City Manager Clapper read **Proclamations:** 1) Declaring September as Spinal Cord Injury Awareness month; 2) Honoring Retiring Youth Services Librarian, Catherine Bloom; and 3) Honoring Star Spangled Banner Day (9/12/14).

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** Resident Ken Kienbaum suggested that the businesses negatively affected by the delay in completion of the East Gateway project receive some sort of compensation.

**SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE REZONING PROPERTY AT 288 S. JANESVILLE STREET (IMPOSING R-2a RESIDENTIAL ZONING CLASSIFICATION) OWNED BY SOBO PROPERTIES LLC** (Dennis and Eva Stanton).

**AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING THE R-2A RESIDENTIAL OVERLAY DISTRICT ZONING  
CLASSIFICATION FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF WHITEWATER**

The Common Council of the City of Whitewater, Walworth and Jefferson Counties, do, pursuant to Municipal Code Section 19.69, hereby impose the R-2A Residential Occupancy Overlay District Zoning classification (19.19) on the below property:

**Section 1:** The R-2A Residential Occupancy Overlay District Zoning classification is hereby imposed upon:

**Address**  
**288 South Janesville St.**

**Tax ID #**  
**/CL00060**

**Section 2:** The official zoning map of the City of Whitewater is hereby amended to show the above action.

**Section 3:** This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

Ordinance introduced by Councilmember Binnie, who moved its adoption. Seconded by Councilmember Bregant. AYES: Frawley, Abbott, Binnie, Winship, Singer, Bregant, Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

Cameron L. Clapper, City Manager

Michele R. Smith, City Clerk

**BLACKTHORNE SCRIBE “CLASS B” BEER AND LIQUOR LICENSE.** Discussion on this subject was delayed as the Alcohol Licensing Committee meeting scheduled for September 2<sup>nd</sup> was cancelled at the request of a Blackthorne Scribe representative.

**FOREST LANDSCAPING CONTRACT FOR WOODLAND DRIVE STORMWATER PROJECT.** It was moved by Binnie and seconded by Bregant to approve a contract with Forest Landscaping of Lake Mills, Wisconsin, for a sum not to exceed \$70,050, to complete stormwater improvements in the Woodland Drive area. AYES: Frawley, Abbott, Winship, Binnie, Singer, Bregant, Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN DISCUSSION.** Asst. City Manager Chris McDonell presented the proposed 2015-2019 Capital Improvement Plan. Numerous upcoming projects and purchases were mentioned. It was noted that George Street is in serious need of repair. Common Council directed City Staff to review the possibility of completing both George Street and Center Street next year, and to research funding options so that these Streets can be repaired simultaneously.

**COUNCILMEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.** It was mentioned that Councilmember Sarah Bregant was recognized in the Chancellor’s State of the Union address, noting that she is a great example of a student active in both community and campus affairs. Councilmember Binnie noted that there is much discussion about the environmental impact of Enbridge Corporation’s proposed pipeline project, and suggested the Council consider a resolution similar to that being considered by the County Board.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION.** It was moved by Singer and seconded by Abbott to adjourn to Closed Session to reconvene approximately 20 minutes after adjournment to closed session per Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(e): “Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session”.

**Items to be Discussed:** Elkhorn Road Ventures LLC property foreclosure at the roundabout near Milwaukee St. / Elkhorn Rd. and Bluff Road. AYES: Frawley, Abbott, Winship, Binnie, Singer, Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: Bregant (Councilmember Bregant left at 7:20 p.m.).

**Reconvene into Open Session. At 8:50 p.m., it was moved by Singer and seconded by Winship to reconvene into open session. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

**ELKHORN ROAD VENTURES LLC PILOT PAYMENTS, SPECIAL CHARGES AND WALWORTH COUNTY TAX FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE.** It was moved by Binnie and seconded by Abbott to authorize the City to make an offer to purchase the Elkhorn Road Ventures real estate, which has been foreclosed on for delinquent real estate taxes (adjacent to the roundabout at Milwaukee St. and Elkhorn Rd. and Bluff Road), from Walworth County in the sum of \$383,798.97. AYES: Frawley, Abbott, Winship, Binnie, Singer, Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: Bregant. (Councilmember Bregant left the meeting at 7:20 p.m.)

**ADJOURNMENT.** It was moved by Winship and seconded by Abbott to adjourn the meeting. AYES: Frawley, Abbott, Winship, Binnie, Singer, Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: Bregant (Councilmember Bregant left the meeting at 7:20 p.m.). The meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele R. Smith, Clerk