

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

March 3, 2015

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

It was moved by Binnie and seconded by Abbott to approve the Council Minutes of 2/3/15 and 2/17/15, and to acknowledge receipt and filing of the following: Irvin L. Young Memorial Library Board Minutes of 1/19/15.

**PAYMENT OF INVOICES.** It was moved by Binnie and seconded by Abbott to approve payment of city invoices in the total sum of \$49,933.40. AYES: Frawley, Abbott, Diebolt-Brown, Binnie, Singer, Bregant, Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF WHITEWATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT IN  
OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED STATE BUDGET CUTS.**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WHITEWATER COMMON COUNCIL  
ENCOURAGING THE STATE OF WISCONSIN GOVERNOR, SENATORS, AND  
REPRESENTATIVES TO ENSURE THAT STATE OF WISCONSIN  
LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS HAVE ADEQUATE FUNDING TO  
FULFILL THEIR EDUCATIONAL MISSION**

**WHEREAS**, Wisconsin public schools have an important role in educating students and preparing them to be productive members of society, and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor's budget proposes no revenue limit per pupil increase in either year of the biennium. If passed, this will mean the Whitewater Unified School District will have a revenue limit in 2016-17 that is less than what it was in the 2009-10 school year, and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to the freeze on revenue limits, the budget proposal includes a \$150 per pupil decrease for public school funding in 2015-16. This will amount to a reduction of \$290,000 for the Whitewater Unified School District.

**WHEREAS**, proposed reductions in State funding of local districts may impair the districts' abilities to fulfill their mission, and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed funding decreases may have significant negative consequences for local school districts and in particular the Whitewater Unified School District,

Now, therefore, **BE IT RESOLVED** as follows:

The City of Whitewater Common Council encourages our Governor, Senators, and Representatives to ensure that State of Wisconsin local school districts have adequate funding to fulfill their educational mission.

Resolution introduced by Councilmember Binnie, who moved its adoption. Seconded by Councilmember Kidd. AYES: Frawley, Abbott, Diebolt-Brown, Binnie, Singer, Bregant, Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ADOPTED: March 3, 2015.

Cameron L. Clapper, City Manager

Michele R. Smith, City Clerk

**CLASS “A” BEER LICENSE FOR ANNIE’S PANTRY, 176 W. MAIN ST., WHITEWATER, WISCONSIN.** Annie’s Pantry, Inc., Abkir K. Kang, Agent, has requested a license to sell beer at the convenience store they are opening at 176 W. Main Street. It was moved by Binnie and seconded by Abbott to approve the Class “A” (Packaged Beer) License for Annie’s Pantry, Inc. AYES: Abbott, Diebolt-Brown, Binnie, Singer, Bregant, Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: Frawley.

**DONOHUE PRESENTATION REGARDING WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT DIGESTER COMPLEX.** Representatives from Donohue and Associates presented an update on the Wastewater Facility Biological Upgrade project. The presentation focused on Technical Memorandum #4, which deals with the digestion complex at the facility. This memorandum was initially left out of the facility planning process due to a digestion feasibility study that was already in progress. The presentation provided detailed information regarding fees paid by neighboring communities and solids treatment and capacity utilization. It was also noted that numerous repairs and updates are needed at the facility. It was moved by Kidd and seconded by Binnie to approve Amendment No. 1 to the Design and Bid Engineering Services Agreement with Donohue and Associates of Sheboygan, Wisconsin, in the sum of \$133,650. AYES: Frawley, Abbott, Diebolt-Brown, Binnie, Singer, Bregant, Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

**SPECIAL ASSESSMENT POLICY.** The current special assessment policy, which assesses percentages of curb and gutter and/or sidewalk improvements to affected property owners was discussed. The possibility of eliminating special assessments for repairs was proposed, with the understanding that new developments will still experience special assessments. George Street residents were present, as their Street will be reconstructed in 2015, and they encouraged Council to eliminate the special assessment fee. After a lengthy discussion, it was agreed that a Resolution will be brought before the Council.

**2016 BUDGET TIMELINE.** City Manager Clapper presented his proposed 2016 budget timeline. Plans are to review the budget format and design beginning on March 18<sup>th</sup>, with Department heads receiving projections for revenues, payroll, and personnel for review in May. The first Capital Improvement meeting is scheduled for May 19. Also planned for a date to be determined, is a Municipal Budget Strategic Planning Workshop. Further information will be forthcoming.

**AGENCY AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHITEWATER POLICE DEPARTMENT AND UW-WHITEWATER POLICE DEPARTMENT (TIME SYSTEM).** It was moved by Binnie and seconded by Abbott to approve an Agreement between the Whitewater Police Department and the UWW Police Department, relating to sharing of police information between the agencies. AYES: Frawley, Abbott, Diebolt-Brown, Binnie, Singer, Bregant, Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

**WHITEWATER TOWER AGREEMENT.** It was moved by Binnie and seconded by Abbott to approve an Agreement between the Whitewater Police Department and Walworth County, regarding the use of towers for placement of City antennas, cable lines and ancillary equipment, as well as ground space adjacent to the tower. AYES: Frawley, Abbott, Diebolt-Brown, Binnie, Singer, Bregant, Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

**AGREEMENT FOR USE OF WALWORTH COUNTY GUN RANGE.** It was moved by Binnie and seconded by Abbott to approve an Agreement between the Whitewater Police Department and Walworth County regarding the PD's use of facilities for gun range purposes. AYES: Frawley, Abbott, Diebolt-Brown, Binnie, Singer, Bregant, Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

**AGREEMENT WITH WALWORTH COUNTY DRUG ENFORCEMENT UNIT (OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES).** It was moved by Binnie and seconded by Abbott to approve an Agreement between the Whitewater Police Department and the Walworth County Drug Enforcement Unit relative to operational guidelines. AYES: Frawley, Abbott, Diebolt-Brown, Binnie, Singer, Bregant, Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN WHITEWATER POLICE DEPARTMENT AND UWW POLICE DEPARTMENT REGARDING POLICE RESPONSE TO CALLS FOR SERVICE ON LEASED PROPERTY (FOX MEADOWS, ETC.)** It was moved by Binnie and seconded by Abbott to approve an Agreement between the Whitewater Police Department and the UWW Police Department regarding Police response to calls for service on leased property (Fox Meadows apartment complex, as well as any other University-leased facilities). AYES: Frawley, Abbott, Diebolt-Brown, Binnie, Singer, Bregant, Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

**COUNCILMEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.** Councilmember Diebolt-Brown requested the **discussion of traffic calming measures**, such as signs, road bumps, etc. on N. Franklin Street. Councilmember Binnie noted that the Council never actually discusses the numerous City financial reports provided to them, and requested that a **quarterly financial report** be given. Binnie requested that the Finance Director provide a thumbnail as to where the City stands, on a quarterly basis, beginning at the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting in April (for 1<sup>st</sup> quarter, 2015). Councilmember Abbott requested an update on the **Parking ordinance**.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION.** It was moved by Singer and seconded by Bregant to adjourn to closed session, **NOT TO RECONVENE**, per Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) "Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility." Item to be Discussed: Continuation of City Manager's Annual Performance Review (as requested by City Manager). AYES: Frawley, Abbott, Brown, Binnie, Singer, Bregant, Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. Being no further regular business to come before the City, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele R. Smith, Clerk

