

MINUTES
WOODSTOCK CITY COUNCIL

February 2, 2016
City Council Chambers

The regular meeting of the Woodstock City Council was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Brian Sager on Tuesday, February 2, 2016 in Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Sager explained the consent calendar process and invited public participation.

A roll call was taken.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Daniel Hart, RB Thompson, Maureen Larson, Mark Saladin, Joseph Starzynski, Michael Turner, and Mayor Brian Sager

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Roscoe Stelford, City Attorney Ruth Schlossberg, Finance Director Paul Christensen, Economic Development Director Garrett Anderson, Public Works Director Jeff Van Landuyt, Building and Zoning Director Joe Napolitano, Deputy Chief of Police John Lieb, Library Director Nick Weber, Opera House Managing Director John Scharres, Planning and Zoning Administrator Jim Kastner, Grant Writer Terry Willcockson, Opera House Building Manager Mark Greenleaf, Opera House Production Manager Joe McCormack, City Planner Nancy Baker, Building and Zoning Office Manager Donna Limbaugh, and City Manager Office Assistant Monica Amraen.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Clerk Cindy Smiley

A. FLOOR DISCUSSION

Woodstock Movie Theatre Historic Recognition

Mayor Sager stated he was pleased to have special guests here this evening and asked for and received, without objection, Council's approval of *A Proclamation Honoring Classic Cinemas Willis, Shirley, & Chris Johnson and Woodstock Theatre Manager Mike Wozny*. He invited Mr. & Mrs. Johnson, Chris Johnson, and Mr. Wozny to join him at the podium.

Mayor Sager drew attention to the photo montage of the movie theatre through the years that was created by City staff and thanked them for their efforts.

Mayor Sager noted this proclamation is an opportunity for the City and its residents to recognize the significant, historic contribution by the Johnson family and also to thank them for the economic development opportunities they brought to Woodstock with the renovation of the Woodstock Theatre. He stated this also provides great entertainment opportunities which is in keeping with the City's vision of the downtown area and expressed his appreciation of the increased business the expansion of the theatre has brought to the city.

Mayor Sager stated this proclamation is also an opportunity to recognize the historic significance of this project, noting the incredible work that has been done to bring the theatre back to its historic glory. He stated it is a site worth seeing and encouraged all to visit the theatre.

Mayor Sager listed some of the historic contributions made by the Johnsons with this project including finding the original historic light fixture and locating it back in the lobby, the placement

of historic photos and other historic elements throughout the building, and locating subway tiles that came from the butcher shop that was also on Main Street and using them in the building.

Mayor Sager noted the building has been recognized as a historic landmark, stating it is important for the City to take a moment to recognize the Johnson family and thank them for the efforts they have made to bring the theatre back.

Mayor Sager then read the proclamation and presented the Johnson Family and Mr. Wozny with a plaque that had been created for them. John Scharres then presented Mrs. Johnson with a bouquet of roses on behalf of the Friends of the Opera House in recognition of her efforts in support of the arts in Woodstock.

Mr. Johnson thanked the Mayor and City Council for the recognition, noting the City has been wonderful to work with throughout this project. He also thanked the community for its support of the project.

Jim Kastner Retirement Proclamation

Mayor Sager noted the City has been blessed to have an incredible number professionals who have served the community for many years, not just five days per week but 365 days a year, 24 hours per day, at the service of our residents. He stated we have recently said farewell to several of these professionals and it is with a degree of sadness that we do so again this evening. He noted it is also with a degree of joy that we wish these individuals well as they enter into another phase of their lives.

Mayor Sager then invited Planning and Zoning Administrator Jim Kastner to join him at the podium and asked for and received, without objection, Council's approval for a *Proclamation Honoring James E. Kastner* which he read and presented to Mr. Kastner. Noting that several of Jim's colleagues assisted in writing the proclamation, Mayor Sager stated this is a testament to the fact that Jim has been an enjoyable and beloved colleague. He noted several of the significant contributions Mr. Kastner has made during this 26 years of service to the community and expressed the Council's and the community's sincere gratitude to Mr. Kastner for this service.

Mr. Kastner thanked the Council and the community and those he has worked with, especially Donna Limbaugh, Nancy Baker, and Al Wilson. He noted that Mayor Sager has served as a mentor and role model and thanked him for his support as well.

Public Comments

There were no comments forthcoming from the public.

Council Comments

Mayor Sager acknowledged the successful Groundhog Days event and thanked all who were involved with this event, including the GH Day Committee, the volunteers, the Department of Public Works, the Police Department, Real Woodstock, Promote Woodstock, Inc., and A5. He expressed his sincere appreciation to John Scharres and the Opera House staff for their professional efforts in shepherding the various events.

Mayor Sager stated the search for a new Police Chief has begun, noting the impending June retirement of Chief Lowen.

M. Saladin stated he recently attended the State of the County presentation, which emphasized Economic Development. He stated Woodstock was prominently featured in the discussion, particularly the fiber project, Enterprise Zone, Rt. 47 improvements, and the City's incentive programs, noting the County would like to create such programs also. Mr. Saladin also noted McHenry County has joined with other counties in a program that will give Northern Illinois a chance to compete for federal grant dollars.

J. Starzynski, giving a brief history of the creation of the District 200 Education Foundation, noted the Foundation's annual dance will be held on Saturday, February 6th at the Starline in Harvard and invited all to attend.

M. Turner stated that while he was not in attendance at the last Council meeting when it was approved, he wished to make some comments for the record concerning the Special Census. Mr. Turner expressed his whole-hearted support for the Special Census and Council's approval of this effort. He noted this item could representative an additional \$300,000 to \$400,000 in state-shared revenue for the City, money which has been sent downstate and would not otherwise be returned to the City. He stated this money will go to the City budget to pay for City projects. He also stated his opinion that approval of the Special Census is the right thing to do from a Home Rule perspective, which would help the City of Woodstock manage its own affairs. He asked the record to reflect his support of the approval of the Special Census.

B. PUBLIC HEARING – APPLE CREEK SUBDIVISION ANNEXATION AGREEMENT

Mayor Sager noted the purpose of this Public Hearing is the consideration of an ordinance which would authorize a modification to the Apple Creek Subdivision Annexation Agreement.

R. Stelford gave a synopsis of this item stating the City is being asked to modify the Apple Creek Annexation Agreement which was entered into with the original developer based on the status of the marketplace at that time. He noted the Agreement included a number of fees which were included in the agreement were unique to this development when the housing industry was in a boom. Mr. Stelford stated those fees are not sustainable in today's market and the developer who is looking to purchase the remaining property in this development is looking at a reduction of these fees and a modification of the Annexation Agreement.

Omar Rodriguez, Vice-President of Cal-Atlantic, approached the podium. He stated his firm put the property under contract in August of 2015. He stated at that time it was noticed that the fees that were due and payable are above and beyond those typically required by the City of Woodstock. He noted these fees are not economically-viable and asked staff to consider a reduction in fees to make this a viable project.

Mr. Rodriguez stated his firm is completing development of the remaining lots in the Sonatas and is looking to continue to build in Woodstock. He stated they consider their firm a long-term investor in the community and feel that Apple Creek is the next step.

Mayor Sager expressed his sincere appreciation to them for the development of the Sonatas and for their investment in Woodstock.

Mayor Sager emphasized that at the time the fees now being discussed were negotiated and included in the original agreement, the economy was much stronger and housing was much more in demand. He noted as a result the City was in a position to negotiate much higher fees, above and beyond those fees required by the Unified Development Ordinance. He emphasized what is being considered is a reduction of those additional fees only, not any impact fees required by the UDO. Mayor Sager stated the market is different today and also that the City's additional housing stock is dwindling, stating this is a way the City can address this.

Mayor Sager opened the Public Hearing for the purpose of the adoption of an ordinance authorizing a modification to the Apple Creek Subdivision Annexation Agreement at 7:36PM. He offered the opportunity for public comment.

There was no public comment forthcoming.

Motion by M. Saladin, second by RB Thompson, to close the Public Hearing.

A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: D. Hart, M. Larson, M. Saladin, J. Starzynski, RB Thompson, M. Turner, and Mayor Sager. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absentees: none. Motion carried. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:39PM.

Motion by M. Larson, second by M. Saladin, to approve Ordinance No. 16-0-1, identified as Document No. 1, *An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of a Second Amendment to the Apple Creek Annexation Agreement*.

M. Saladin stated one other important point to note is that these fees would become uncollectible in 2020. He noted that this action results in the creation of residential development that will bring people to the city who will shop in our stores and patronize our restaurants.

A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: D. Hart, M. Larson, M. Saladin, J. Starzynski, RB Thompson, M. Turner, and Mayor Sager. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absentees: none. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were removed from the Consent Agenda:

- Item F-1 at the request of D. Hart
- Item F-2 at the request of D. Hart

Motion by M. Turner, second by RB Thompson, to approve Consent Agenda Items C through E, and F-3 through F-8.

Mayor Sager opened the floor for questions and comments from the Council concerning those items remaining on the Consent Agenda:

Item F-5 – Bull Valley Ford

Mayor Sager noted the presence of Jack Cronin of Bull Valley Ford stating Mr. Cronin has a wonderful opportunity that will benefit his business and the City of Woodstock. He noted the City

is excited to work with Mr. Cronin to stabilize the future of Bull Valley Ford in the City of Woodstock and thanked him for his investment in the community.

Item F-3 – Appointment – Chief Deputy Clerk

Mayor Sager expressed his appreciation to Executive Assistant Jane Howie for her professionalism in executing her duties in that position and also for undertaking the role of Chief Deputy Clerk.

Item F-7 – Professional Services - Roundabout

Mayor Sager expressed his gratitude to HLR for their professional services on an exciting new project as the City looks to the future of the Roundabout Project.

A roll call vote was taken on the following items remaining on the Consent Agenda as identified:

C. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

January 18, 2016 Special Council Workshop

January 19, 2016 Regular Meeting

D. WARRANTS: 3698 3699

E. MINUTES AND REPORTS:

Building and Zoning Department Year-End Report – December 2015

Police Department Monthly Report - December 2015

Library Board Minutes – December 3, 2015

Transportation Commission Minutes – December 19, 2015

Cultural & Social Awareness/Environment Commissions Joint Minutes – January 7, 2016

Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes – January 11, 2016

Electrical Commission Minutes – January 13, 2016

F. MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 61

3. Appointment – Chief Deputy Clerk – Approval of the appointment of Jane Howie as Chief Deputy Clerk of the City of Woodstock.

4. Property Tax Abatement Ordinance – Approval of the following:

a) Ordinance No. 16-O-2, identified as Document No. 4, *An Ordinance Abating the Levy of the Additional Tax Imposed for the Purpose of Borrowing Money and Issuing \$1,860,000 Principal Amount General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2013B, of the City of Woodstock, McHenry County, Illinois, for the Purpose of Refunding a Portion of the City of Woodstock's Series 2004B General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source)*, abating the additional tax imposed by Ordinance 13-O-42.

b) Ordinance No. 16-O-3, identified as Document No. 5, *An Ordinance Abating the Levy of the Additional Tax Imposed for the Purpose of Borrowing Money and Issuing \$3,650,000 Principal Amount General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Sources), Series 2004F, of the City of Woodstock, McHenry County, Illinois, for the Purpose of Expanding the Existing Waterworks and Sewerage System of The City of Woodstock*, abating the additional tax imposed by Ordinance 01-O-108 and supplemented by Ordinance 04-O-15.

c) Ordinance 16-O-4, identified as Document No. 6, *An Ordinance Abating the Levy of the Additional Tax Imposed for the Purpose of Borrowing Money and Issuing \$4,700,000 Principal Amount General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Sources), Series 2014, of the City of Woodstock, McHenry County, Illinois, for the Purpose of Refunding Series 2005B General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) and Series 2003 General Obligation (Limited Tax) Debt Certificates Issued for Construction of Roadway Improvements and the Development of New Park Sites Along with Recreation Facility Improvements for the City of Woodstock*, abating the additional tax imposed by Ordinance 14-O-35.

d) Ordinance 16-O-5, identified as Document No. 7, *An Ordinance Abating the Levy of the Additional Tax Imposed for the Purpose of Borrowing Money and Issuing \$3,400,000 Principal Amount General Obligation Waterworks and Sewerage Bonds (Alternate Revenue Sources), Series 2008A, of the City of Woodstock, McHenry County, Illinois, for the Purpose of Constructing Improvements to the First Street Water Treatment Plant in the City of Woodstock*, abating the additional tax imposed by Ordinance 08-O-41.

e) Ordinance 16-O-6, identified as Document No. 8, *An Ordinance Abating the Levy of the Additional Tax Imposed for the Purpose of Borrowing Money and Issuing \$1,425,000 Principal Amount General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Sources), Series 2010A, of the City of Woodstock, McHenry County, Illinois, for the Purpose of Refunding a Portion of the City of Woodstock's Series 2000C and Series 2001B General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source)*, abating the additional tax imposed by Ordinance 10-O-34.

f) Ordinance 16-O-7, identified as Document No. 9, *An Ordinance Abating the Levy of the Additional Tax Imposed for the Purpose of Borrowing Money and Issuing \$350,000 Principal Amount General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Sources), Series 2010B, of the City of Woodstock, McHenry County, Illinois, for the Purpose of Refunding a Portion of the City of Woodstock's Series 2000D General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source)*, abating the additional tax imposed by Ordinance 10-O-34 refunding a portion of the Series 2000D Alternate Revenue Bonds.

g) Ordinance 16-O-8, identified as Document No. 10, *An Ordinance Abating the Levy of the Additional Tax Imposed for the Purpose of Borrowing Money and Issuing \$1,475,000 Principal Amount General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Sources), Series 2010C, of the City of Woodstock, McHenry County, Illinois, for the purpose of Refunding a Portion of the City of Woodstock's Series 2002E General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source)*, abating the additional tax imposed by Ordinance 10-O-34 refunding a portion of the Series 2002E Alternate Revenue Bonds.

h) Ordinance 16-O-9, identified as Document No. 11, *An Ordinance Abating the Levy of the Additional Tax Imposed for the Purpose of Borrowing Money and Issuing \$2,940,000 Principal Amount General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Sources), Series 2010D, of the City of Woodstock, McHenry County, Illinois, for the Purpose of Refunding a Portion of the City of Woodstock's Series 2002F General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Sources)*, abating the additional tax imposed by Ordinance 10-O-34 refunding a portion of the Series 2002F.

i) Ordinance 16-O-10, identified as Document No.12, *An Ordinance Abating the Levy of the Additional Tax Imposed for the Purpose of Borrowing Money and Issuing \$325,000 Principal Amount General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Sources)*,

Series 2010E, of the City of Woodstock, McHenry County, Illinois, for the Purpose of Refunding a Portion of the City of Woodstock's Series 2002G General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), abating the additional tax imposed by Ordinance 10-O-34 refunding a portion of the Series 2002G Alternate Revenue Bonds.

5. Bull Valley Ford – Adoption of Resolution No. 16-R-4, identified as Document No. 13, *A Resolution Authorizing an Incentive Agreement Between the City of Woodstock and Bull Valley Ford, Inc.*

6. Zoning Variation – 1021 Tappan – Adoption of Ordinance 16-O-11, identified as Document No. 14, *An Ordinance Varying Provisions of the Woodstock Unified Development Ordinance for Property at 1021 Tappan Street*, to allow the construction of an addition attached to the existing garage resulting in a side and rear yard setback of 4 feet.

7. Professional Services – Roundabout – Approval of an agreement with Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick for professional services to complete Phase I and Phase II Engineering and Land Acquisition Services for construction of a Roundabout at the intersection of Lake/South/Madison Streets for a total cost not to exceed \$191,154.

8. Distressed Properties – Approval to authorize the necessary legal steps to acquire the properties at 435 E. Lake Street and 1238-1240 Thomas Drive.

A roll call was taken. Ayes: D. Hart, M. Larson, M. Saladin, J. Starzynski, RB Thompson, M. Turner, and Mayor Sager. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absentees: none. Motion carried.

Item F-1 – Liquor Amendment – Lucky Bernie's

D. Hart recused himself and exited the Chambers at 7:47PM

Mayor Sager stated this item is for the approval of the liquor license for Lucky Bernie's, noting Council approved a waiver of the moratorium on the acceptance of applications for this petitioner at the last meeting.

Motion by M. Turner, second by M. Larson, to approve Ordinance 16-O-12, identified as Document No. 2, *An Ordinance amending Section 3.3.6 Classification of Licenses, Number and Fees of the Woodstock City Code*, increasing the number of Class A-6 liquor licenses by one authorizing issuance to Cuhlife, LLC d/b/a Lucky Bernie's, 11605 Catalpa Lane.

A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: M. Larson, M. Saladin, J. Starzynski, RB Thompson, M. Turner, and Mayor Sager. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absentees: D. Hart. Motion carried.

Item F-2 – Event Request – Benton Street Block Party

Mayor Sager stated this request is for approval to hold a block party on Benton Street requiring street closure and approval for alcohol on the public way on Saturday, March 19, 2016.

M. Turner noted there seems to be an issue related to the use of City vs. County police and asked

if the petitioner, Mark Bezik wished to discuss this further.

Mark Bezik, 2410 Maritime Lane, asked to discuss the ability to use County officers rather than the Woodstock Police, noting those officers would be dedicated to the event at a fixed rate. He stated the rate for Woodstock Police Officers fluctuates making it difficult to budget for his event.

Mayor Sager noted this is due to the officers' contractual rates. He expressed concern that this event is being held on the public way within the City of Woodstock and should be policed by City of Woodstock Police Officers.

M. Bezik asked if there is any way Woodstock officers could be supplied at a fixed rate. Mayor Sager noted the City has negotiated a contract with the Woodstock police officers and the rate depends on where the officers fall within that contract. R. Stelford stated the only way the City could provide a fixed rate is if the highest possible rate is charged or if the City were to take the financial responsibility for the officers. He stated the more-tenured officers receive the highest rate. Mr. Stelford stated the City Administration has discussed this issue because the City is very supportive of the events and event organizers. He stated under the current contract, however, the only way what Mr. Bezik is requesting could be accomplished is with an extra detail which would be in line with what they pay for the County officers. This is voluntary, however, so if enough officers do not volunteer, then the City must pay overtime.

M. Turner stated if an event organizer must pay overtime then the costs are raised to the organization. He stated if they have the opportunity to use Sheriff's officers who are comparable in caliber, this benefits the organization. It is his opinion there is not a compelling reason to not allow this.

Mayor Sager noted if County officers would have to call for back-up while in the City of Woodstock, they would call Woodstock Police officers, stating it is our municipality and our officers. He stated within the community the City is expected to provide for the services within the community and the City has officers who are familiar with the community. He stated Woodstock Police officers are some of the finest in service.

In response to a question from M. Turner concerning the use of County officers for other events, R. Stelford stated certain events held on private property have used County officers, noting private property owners should have more say on what happens on their property. In response to a question from J. Starzynski, Mr. Stelford stated the private property owner would still have to follow an approved security plan, but may use private security. He noted if an event is held on public property this increases the City's liability and makes it much more difficult for the Police Department. He stated this is a matter of protecting the City but noted the Administration is looking at ways to be more event-friendly, but also abide by contractual obligations and is taking a second look at this regarding public vs. private property.

In response to a question from J. Starzynski, R. Stelford stated the City does not charge any user fee or permit fee for an event held on public property.

Mr. Bezik presented invoices from two previous events showing the difference in the costs for police services based upon the current method used to secure the services. Discussion followed

of these invoices with Mayor Sager noting this is due to the different pay rates of the different officers performing the services. After further discussion, it was noted that one of the invoices was for an event that required two police officers while the other required three officers, which also contributed to the increased costs for the second event and the difference between the two invoices.

A discussion followed of how this matter is handled for other events. Deputy Chief Lieb stated the City generally determines how many officers are needed based upon a variety of variables, including estimated crowd size, length of the event, and the service of alcohol. He stated the event organizer is given an estimate of the highest anticipated cost for police services at the Event Coordination Meeting. Discussion followed of how officers are assigned to events with it being noted that junior officers are paid less by contract and the most senior officers have the first opportunity for overtime.

Mr. Bezik also noted the invoices do not provide any detail as to what the charges were specifically for, including the number of hours or number of officers involved. Mr. Stelford noted this is an accounting issue, stating that the Finance Department can certainly provide more detail on the invoices.

Mayor Sager stated he appreciates all of the events held in Woodstock and feels strongly that if the event is held on public property, the Woodstock Police Department should provide security. He noted he is willing to look at other security for events held on private property. He also noted he recognizes there are contractual obligations which present a challenge. He stated he believes the City can do everything within its power contractually to keep the costs reasonable to the organizer and to provide a not-to-exceed estimate in advance.

In response to a request from Mr. Bezik, R. Stelford stated he would ask Finance to provide more detail on the invoices.

M. Turner stated he feels providing a “not-to-exceed” estimate is the right decision, but also feels costs for security should be explored for future years.

At Mayor Sager’s suggestion, it was the consensus of the Council to:

- 1) Work through the negotiation process to look at event security costs for future years
- 2) Make every effort to provide a more accurate not-to-exceed estimate of security costs at the event coordination meeting
- 3) Provide more detail of the specific costs on the invoice

In response to a question from Mayor Sager, Mr. Bezik stated this would be acceptable to him.

Motion by M. Turner, second by M. Saladin, to approve the following:

- 1) Approval to hold a block party, Shamrocked, on Benton Street as indicated between the hours of 12:00PM and 11:00PM on Saturday, March 19, 2016;
- 2) Waiver of the prohibition of alcohol in the public way for the fenced event-area only and during specified event hours for the aforementioned event and date only, with all alcohol consumption in the public way ceasing at 11:00PM.
- 3) Closure of Benton Street between East Judd Street and the railroad tracks, as well as westbound traffic on East Judd between Benton Street and Jefferson Street between the

hours of 6:00AM on Saturday, March 19, 2016 and 6:00AM on Sunday, March 20, 2016.

- 4) Approval of Ordinance, No. 16-0-13, identified as Document No. 3, *An Ordinance Imposing Certain Temporary Traffic Restrictions and Parking Restrictions in the City of Woodstock for a Benton Street Event.*
- 5) All approvals to be conditional upon the terms set forth within the staff report and as discussed.

A roll call vote was taken: Ayes: M. Larson, M. Saladin, J. Starzynski, RB Thompson, M. Turner, and Mayor Sager. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absentees: D. Hart. Motion carried.

D. Hart entered the Chamber and rejoined the proceedings at 8:24PM.

DISCUSSION ITEM:

Discussion of FY16/17 Capital Improvement Program

R. Stelford gave a brief overview of the Capital Improvement Program as presented to the Council. He noted the Administration concentrated on those projects which could be funded, with the intent to fund the A Projects in the Budget. He stated the Administration will attempt to fund many of the B Projects, but C Projects and lower will not be funded.

Mayor Sager stated there is no way every project can be funded but this is an opportunity to identify priorities. He noted many of the priorities identified in the CIP document by the Administration were done so as a result of the Council workshop and staff. He opened the floor to the Council for comments.

RB Thompson noted he would like to move the Stone Veneer Project for the Park in the Square, identified on page 231, to an A priority. He also requested that the replacement of the 22 interior lights be added to this project. Noting this was discussed at the December workshop, he stated there are no costs included for the lights.

In response to a question from Mayor Sager, Mr. Thompson stated he would like both the stone veneer and the lights included in this project as an A priority. It is his opinion that funds for this project should be taken from the funds projected to be used on the Old Courthouse.

M. Larson stated it was her recollection there was concurrence at the Workshop that the lighting project was not a priority.

Mayor Sager stated he agrees that the stone façade should be an A priority and also that there was consensus that the lighting was not a priority. He noted, however, that the cost of the lighting project should be identified in case more funds become available.

R. Stelford stated it was Staff's intent to prioritize the stone veneer as an A project.

In response to a question from M. Larson concerning the Belcher Property, R. Stelford noted Staff felt it was Council's direction to continue to explore this property and the Parks & Recreation Commission believes the City should look at property acquisition to expand Emricson Park. He noted this is a more long-term plan.

Mayor Sager opened the floor to the Public.

There were no comments or questions forthcoming from the Public.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

At the request of J. Starzynski, it was the consensus of Council that the discussion of including incentives for the employment of Woodstock residents in incentive agreements be held at a future meeting. Mayor Sager stated he will work with Staff to place on a future agenda.

ADJOURN

Motion by RB Thompson, second by M. Saladin, to adjourn this meeting of the Woodstock City Council to the next regularly-scheduled meeting on Tuesday February 16, 2016, at 7:00PM in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Ayes: D. Hart, M. Larson, M. Saladin, J. Starzynski, RB Thompson, M. Turner, and Mayor Sager. Nays: none. Absentees: none. Abstentions: none. Meeting adjourned at 8:39PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Smiley
City Clerk