



OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE **BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS** HELD ON JANUARY 8, 2019 @ 7:00 P.M.
IN THE COMMON COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL, 2000 NORTH
CALHOUN ROAD, BROOKFIELD, WISCONSIN

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Alderman Rick Owen, Chairman
Alderman Brad Blumer
Alderman Christopher Blackburn

Alderman Scott Berg
Alderman Buck Jurken

MEMBER ABSENT AND EXCUSED: Mayor Steve Ponto

OTHERS PRESENT:

Director of Public Works Tom Grisa
Administrative Assistant Carolyn Megal

Alderman Bill Carnell (a.a.)
Alderman Jerry Mellone

Roll Call

Chairman Owen noted a quorum present and called the Board of Public Works to order at 7:08 pm.

Meeting Minutes

Item 1 Meeting minutes of the November 13, 2018 Board of Public Works Meeting

Motion by Alderman Blumer, seconded by Alderman Jurken to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2018 Board of Public Works meeting minutes. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business

Item 2 Legislative referral regarding Open Burning Ordinance (consider future joint meeting with Legislative and Licensing)

Alderman Owen advised there are three possible options for how to proceed with the Ordinance: 1. Do nothing. 2. Keep ordinance in committee, go through the steps and send to legislative and licensing. 3. Discuss Ordinance with Legislative and Licensing Committee.

Alderman Carnell commented that he moved to the City 42 years ago and he believes people have reduced burning in the City. He would like to see burning restricted except for cooking fires.

Alderman Blackburn is not in favor of burning, however, it is expensive to have the leaves hauled away so the City needs to pick up the leaves.

Mr. Grisa advised that Advanced Disposal will sell residents tickets to put on their garbage bags for a few dollars per bag.

Alderman Blumer informed the committee that when campaigning he had received comments from people who do not want leaf burning, some comments were from residents with concerns for the health of their families. One resident was concerned about the amount of pollution caused by burning leaves.

Alderman Blackburn commented that there are residents burning items that are not leaves, grass or sticks. Also, people are burning outside of approved hours and days. He stated that a good alternative should be offered if burning is banned.

Alderman Jurken questioned what the board is trying to accomplish by bringing up this issue. Mr. Grisa commented that they are looking for direction on where to go with the ordinance. One option is to not change it. Second would be for the board to gather information. Third option would be a burning ban and work on taking incremental steps to get there. Fourth step would be to ban leaf burning and provide an alternative.

Alderman Blackburn commented that burning was not banned 15 years ago because there was not an affordable alternative.

Alderman Owen stated we will continue to explore our options to determine the steps that should be taken. The ordinance will be kept in committee to explore further.

No motion.

Item 3 Release of Public Storm Sewer and Drainage easement – Prairie Walk at Town Centre, Parcel V, 3755 N. Brookfield Rd.

Alderman Blackburn stated that this is to move the drainage easement south.

Motion by Alderman Blackburn, seconded by Alderman Jurken to approve the release of Public Storm Sewer and Drainage easement – Prairie Walk at Town Centre, Parcel V, 3755 N. Brookfield Rd. Motion carried 5-0.

Adjournment

Motion by Alderman Blumer, seconded by Alderman Blackburn to adjourn the Board of Public Works meeting. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:12pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Carolyn Megal, Administrative Assistant