

**JOINT MEETING OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL AND
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
COUNCIL ROOM
MARCH 14, 2017
7:00 P.M.**

Common Council: The Common Council meeting in joint session, Mayor Mabie presiding. On roll call: Council Member Neville absent, all other members present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of the previous meeting were declared approved.

Zoning Board of Appeals: The Zoning Board of Appeals meeting in joint session, Council Member Glassbrenner Chair, presiding. On roll call: Council Members Glassbrenner and Counsell, Darrell Courtney, Joan Hubing and Lynn Schoengarth present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were declared approved.

Mayor Mabie reported on the February 28, 2017 meeting of the Personnel Committee regarding a closed session to confer with legal counsel on Officer King grievance filed February 23, 2017 and updated February 27, 2017 adding Officer Chawala-adjourned in closed session.

Mayor Mabie reported on the March 8, 2017 meeting of the Planning Commission regarding: 1) discussion on a request for a Variance to zoning for Clark County Emergency Management to construct a communication tower at N4204 Pelsdorf Avenue, Granton and 2) the recommendation to grant approval of the request for a Variance for Clark County Emergency Management to construct a 199 foot communication tower within the 3 mile height zone of the Airport based on the "FAA DETERMINATION OF NO HAZARD TO AIR NAVIGATION".

City Attorney Wachsmith presented the March 9, 2017 meeting of the Heritage Days Committee regarding: 1) financial report, 2) discussion on Friday and Saturday night security with Chief of Police Kluckmann, 3) discussion on bands, 4) Grand Marshalls will be Wayne and Jerry Gross, and 5) discussion on a hat contest and possible Firemen's challenge.

Council Member Glassbrenner reported on the March 9, 2017 meeting of the Neillville Community Fire Hall Board regarding: 1) payment of bills, 2) thanked the city crew for keeping the parking lot and sidewalks clear this winter, 3) approved replacement of lighting in the garage area of the Fire Hall, and 4) reviewed and accepted the 2016 financial statements.

Council Member Quicker reported on the March 14, 2017 meeting of the Commission on Public Works/Utilities regarding current activities.

Mayor Mabie declared all reports filed as presented with the City Clerk.

Council Member Clough stated the Small Business Academy sponsored by the Connect Communities Committee for people who want to start a business or have one now starts March 22, 2017 at City Hall.

Chief of Police Klueckmann reported on February, 2017 complaints, citations, warnings and investigations. Officer Patrick Fehlman started March 1, 2017.

7:15 P.M.- Zoning Board of Appeals Chair Glassbrenner declared the joint Public Hearing on Variance to zoning to exceed the height limitation within the 3 mile restricted air space of the Neillsville Municipal Airport for construction of a 199 foot communications tower at Parcel No. 016.0272.001, N4204 Pelsdorf Avenue, Granton, WI, Clark County Emergency Management applicant, Clark County owner, now open.

Chair Glassbrenner call for appearances.

John Ross, Clark County Emergency Management Director introduced Brian Duell Clark County Zoning Administrator, Jacob Brunette Clark County Corporate Counsel and Steve Pott, PSC Alliance Telecommunications Consulting.

Ross stated that the current Clark County communication system needs upgrading, the County looked for other locations, but increasing the tower height at the current N4204 Pelsdorf Avenue location was the best alternative. The County asked for relief from the height limitation within the 3 mile restricted airspace from the FAA. An “FAA DETERMINATION OF NO HAZARD TO AIR NAVIGATION” was received. This hearing is part of the process to obtain a Variance to City zoning

Mayor Mabie stated that a 199 foot tower does not have to be lighted (200 feet or more have to be lighted), Neillsville Airport Manager Harold Gaier does not support the increase in height from under 100 feet to 199 feet, can space be rented on the tower.

Ross stated that when the bid specifications are issued it will ask for two options – County public use only and County and open use.

City Clerk Roehl presented the March 8, 2017 Planning Commission recommendation to approve the Variance request, the February 7, 2017 Airport Commission recommendation to approve the Variance request and public hearing notice published in the Clark County Press.

Chair Glassbrenner called three times for appearances, there being none.

7:23 P.M. – The Public Hearing was declared closed.

Zoning Board of Appeals: Motion Hubing, second Schoengarth, to accept the Planning Commission recommendation to approve a Variance to zoning for Clark County Emergency Management to construct a 199 foot communication tower within the 3 mile height zone of the Airport based on the “FAA DETERMINATION OF NO HAZARD TO AIR NAVIGATION” and to recommend the same to the Common Council. All Aye.

Common Council: Motion Counsell, second Clough, to accept the Zoning Board of Appeals recommendation to approve a Variance to zoning for Clark County Emergency Management to construct a 199 foot communication tower within the 3 mile height zone of the Airport based on the “FAA DETERMINATION OF NO HAZARD TO AIR NAVIGATION”. All Aye.

Zoning Board of Appeals: Motion Schoengarth, second Hubing, to adjourn. All Aye.

Common Council: Mayor Mabie announced that the Common Council will continue with its regular agenda.

Motion Quicker, second Counsell, that City Bills Nos. 215 to 267 in the amount of \$134,432.03 and CDBG Housing Escrow Account Bills No. 4 to 6 in the amount of \$23,020.00 be paid. All Aye.

Motion Counsell, second Glassbrenner, to adjourn. All Aye.

Steven J. Mabie, Mayor

Rex R. Roehl, Clerk

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