

**COMMON COUNCIL  
COUNCIL ROOM  
NOVEMBER 22, 2016  
7:00 P.M.**

The Common Council met in regular session, Mayor Mabie presiding. On roll call: all members present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of the previous meeting were declared approved.

Council Member Quicker reported on the November 15, 2016 meeting of the Library Board regarding : 1) librarians' reports, 2) hiring Barb Freedlund as the new Substitute Librarian, 3) approved fundraisers – soup dinner, canvas bags and Culver's, 4) presentation by Demco representative on possible children and teen area redesign, discussed the redesign, cost estimate of \$55,000, carpet replacement under shelves being moved, the Foundation covering the cost – approved and accepted the Library redesign contingent upon the Foundation's approval of the costs (redesign and carpet replacement), 5) discussion on and approval of a patron behavior policy, 6) discussion on and approval of an amended 3D printer policy, 7) payment of bills, 8) updates on donations and carryover funds and 9) the Makerspace workshop is full.

Council Member Neville report on the November 17, 2016 meeting of the Heritage Days Committee regarding: 1) financial report and 2) discussion on food vendors, bands, games and activities, security, tents, golf outings, bean bags and coloring contest.

Council Member Counsell reported on the November 21, 2016 meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission regarding discussion on the 2016 Christmas Tour of Homes volunteers, gift items, ads, etc.

Council Member Quicker reported on the November 22, 2016 meeting of the Commission on Public Works/Utilities regarding: 1) current activities and 2) payment of bills.

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

Mayor Mabie presented nominees for the new Tourism Commission.

Motion Clough, second Quicker, that Council Member Charles Glassbrenner, Julie Counsell, Amber Vine, Gregory Foster, Merrill Brunette and Mary Mashin be appointed as members of the Tourism Commission (2017). All Aye.

City Clerk Roehl reported receiving the following donations from the Listeman/Naedler Foundation: \$25,000 for a new Fire Department Rescue Van; \$10,000 for the Schuster Park South Restroom project and \$5,000 for Tock Field repairs.

Motion Counsell, second Neville, to accept and appropriate \$25,000 to Account No. 57220 Public Safety – Fire Department Outlay – Vehicles and \$15,000 to Account No. 57620 Parks Outlay, and to thank the Listeman/Naedler Foundation. All Aye.

Council Member Counsell presented an article from “The Municipality”, October, 2010, Agenda Control and Presiding Officers, League of Wisconsin Municipalities Opinion #391 as a reminder of how the process works.

Council Member Counsell stated that every Council Member has the right to put an item on the agenda and it cannot be changed. The Mayor is the repository. The Mayor or Clerk cannot change the requested agenda item as long as it is relevant to the City.

Council Member Glassbrenner stated someone has to have oversight.

Mayor Mabie stated that out of courtesy the Mayor should know before an agenda item is added, some things can be worked out.

Discussion continued.

Council Members Counsell and Clough on behalf of Neillsville Historic Preservation Commission presented a print of the 1880 City of Neillsville. The original is at the State Historical Society in Madison.

Council Member Glassbrenner reported on a meeting of the Memorial Medical Center (MMC) Finance Committee. MMC is working on the 2017 budgets – holding down the Capital budget as much as possible in light of the recently announced planning process to build a new hospital. The biggest concern is the old boiler.

Council Member Clough stated that the Historic Preservation Commission Christmas Tour of Homes will be November 25 and 26, 2016 and “Small Business Saturday” will be November 26, 2016.

Motion Neville, second Glassbrenner, that City Bills, Nos. 1173 to 1215 in the amount of \$1,012,943.91 be paid. All Aye.

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

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Steven J. Mabie, Mayor

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Rex R. Roehl, Clerk