

January 5, 2010 **Council Minutes**

The regular meeting of the Colby Common Council was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Mayor James Schmidt. On roll call: Lange, Beisner, T Schmidt, Raatz, Schraufnagel, Holtzhausen, Hederer and Kaiser. Also present were Clerk Connie Gurtner, DPW Harland Higley Jr. and Chief Ron Gosse.

Agenda was posted by the clerk. The agenda will stand as the order of the meeting.

Minutes of the December 1st council meeting were pre read and reviewed. Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Beisner to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Financial Statement and Bills were discussed. Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Beisner to approve the bills as presented. The amounts approved are as follows: General Fund \$183,576.07; Water Department \$38,403.43; Sewer Department \$31,736.43; TIF Fund \$375.00; Net payroll \$18,042.17. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Public Comment: Todd Schmidt invited the council to attend the Colby Chamber Annual Meeting on January 16, 2010 at 6:00 P.M. He also informed the city that a resident in his ward reported that he doesn't think that Veolia is separating the recycling in their truck at pick up. Clerk Gurtner will investigate.

Colby-Abbotsford Police Commission met on December 14th.

The commission approved the minutes and bills.

Mayor Sossaman suggested that the list for the job description be enclosed to follow along with the minutes. Lange mentioned that \$1,419.51 should have been mentioned that it would be put back into the auto maintenance account. Chief Gosse explained that Clerk Lopez had already made the adjustment. Lange stated that it wasn't put back in the financials to reflect that. Mayor Sossaman stated that the City of Abbotsford did not approve the Police Commission budget on its own. The City budget was approved based on a dollar amount, but the City still needs to determine what adjustments need to be made to balance the budget. Lange stated that how the City of Abbotsford balances their budget is of no concern to him.

Under review and approve expenditures, there was a question on a voided check for dinner for parade volunteers in the amount of \$130.22. It was paid with the Master Card and needs to be removed from the total amount of \$20,457.41.

Under discuss 2008 audit, Jack Vig could not be there to explain. Lange would like to table until January when both Councils have a chance to review the audit.

Under discuss/approve Security Health Plan ♦ health insurance renewal, there is a 9.37% increase. The commission approved the renewal. Motion was made by Schraufnagel, seconded by Beisner to approve the renewal with Security Health Plan. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Under discuss/approve paying 80% of Chief♦s Medicare Part B premium, The commission approve to recommend to both Councils to approve that 80% of the Chief♦s Medicare Part B be paid. Motion was made by T Schmidt, seconded by Schraufnagel to approve the payment of 80% of Chief Gosse♦s Medicare Part B plan. Motion approved with a voice vote.

Under discuss/approve employee Ham/Turkey gifts, it was mentioned to give \$25.00 Chamber Dollars so that the Officers can decide what they want to spend it on. The commission approved giving the employee each a \$25 Chamber gift certificate for Christmas.

Under discuss/approve 2009 fund balance to be transferred to 2010, Mayor Sossaman would like to see an Excel spread sheet to show what is being spent on the building furnishings as we go. Some accounts are in the negative and some are in the positive. The commission approved the recommendation to approve to both Councils to roll over the fund balance into the general account. Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Beisner to put this item on February♦s Council Agenda pending getting the financial information. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Under discuss Police overtime, there is \$15,000 budgeted in over time. Lange would like to see the Cities continue to have 24 hour coverage. There were 50 more criminal arrests throughout this year than last year (2008).

Under Chief♦s report, \$3,000 grant from the Christensen Foundation to possibly buy four laptops. All car radios are being replaced by the Marathon County grant. Three set of lights we received with a grant and an in-car camera. Chief Gosse stated that he will continue to look for grants in 2010. It was questioned how much the Police Department received in grants for 2009. Chief Gosse stated that he could try to put something together to show the amounts awarded.

Vehicle maintenance report: The new car came in this week from Colby Chrysler. The Ford Expedition is having worked done to it and will be ready shortly.

Motion was made by Schraufnagel, seconded by T Schmidt to approve the actions and expenditures of the Police Commission for December. Motion carried with a voice vote.
Personnel/Labor Relations Committee met on January 4th.

The committee met last night to negotiate the public works union contract. The committee approved the following changes: adding 25 days vacation at 25 years of service, allowing for banking an addition 5 days of sick pay for 2010,

adjusting sick leave time off for appointment to be in increments of 1 hour rather than 2 hours, in the ♦ Separation of Employment ♦ section changing the words minor children to read beneficiary, Exhibit ♦ A ♦ Wage increase of 1.5% in January of 2010 and 1.5% in July of 2010. Motion was made by Beisner, seconded by Hederer to approve the 2010 union contract changes as presented. Roll Call Vote: Ayes ♦ Beisner, Schmidt, Schraufnagel, Hederer, Kaiser, Lange, Noes ♦ Holtzhausen. Raatz abstained. Motion carried.
City Planning Committee met on January 5th.

The committee reviewed three bids to paint the library. The bids received were as follows: Country Wide Painting for \$600.00, Denise Boyer and Denise Bach for \$960.00 and JV Drywall Finishers for \$1,550.00. Motion was made by T Schmidt, seconded by Hederer to approve Country Wide Painting at a cost of \$600.00 to paint the library. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Some lots in Oakwood Park Subdivision are being sold to a developer to construct three multi unit complexes for seniors. The city had agreed to amend the current developer ♦s agreement with Summit Corp in order to assist in getting development in that area. The current buyers are asking that we re-affirm the terms set out in the amendment with an agreement with them ♦ the new buyers. Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Schmidt to recommend the approval of this agreement with Colby ♦ Abbotsford Senior Village LLC. Motion carried with a voice vote.

There is a water retention pond located on Lot 4 of Oakwood Estates. Along with the sale of lots in the Oakwood Park Subdivision, the sellers are asking that the city take ownership of this lot by accepting this lot by Quit Claim Deed from the current owners. DPW Higley has contacted the DNR to verify that the retention pond has been constructed correctly. Motion was made by Beisner, seconded by Schraufnagel to approve the acceptance of Lot 4 of Oakwood Estates from Motion carried with a voice vote.

Mayor Schmidt: Mayor Schmidt reported on the meeting of United Communities of Clark County.

Clerk Gurtner: Reported that the city needed to purchase a new laptop since the hard drive in the old laptop was destroyed.

Harland Higley Jr: There were no building permits in December.

DPW Higley reported that they are continuing to research the total costs to keep moving forward on the pipeline project. Some of the communities are choosing to opt out of this project because of the unknown costs.

Operators ♦ Licenses: Applications were received for operators ♦ licenses from the following: Matthew Taves, 804 S Cedar, Marshfield ♦ motion was made by Kaiser, seconded by Hederer to approve; Alden Schwarze, 2301 W Veterans Pkwy, Marshfield ♦ motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Holtzhausen to approve. Motions carried with a voice vote.

Resolution 10-2009 Approving Amendments to the 2009 Budget: Motion was made by T Schmidt, seconded by Schraufnagel to approve Resolution 10-2009 as follows. Motion carried with a voice vote.

RESOLUTION 10-2009
APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE 2009 BUDGET

WHEREAS, certain authorized expenditures within the adopted 2009 Annual Budget need to be reallocated; and

WHEREAS, according to Wisconsin Statutes no appropriations may remain overexpended at year end within the annual budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Colby that the 2009 budget be amended as follows:

Reallocation Expenses as follows

100-59204 Contingency -\$19,000.00
100-57340 Storm Sewer Capital +\$19,000.00
(E Adams Street)

100-59204 Contingency \$5,000.00
100-51300 Legal +\$5,000.00
(Legal Expenses)

100-51420-304 Clerk Wages +\$3,000.00
100-51600-306 City Hall Wages +\$3,500.00
100-53230-310 Shop Wages -\$2,500.00
100-53640-316 Weed-Trees Wages -\$3,500.00
100-53300-309 Street Maint ♦ Wages -\$500.00
(Adjust Wage Accounts)

James W Schmidt, Mayor

Attest: Connie L Gurtner, City Clerk

Committee meetings for December: Colby-Abbotsford Police Commission will meet on January 11, 2010 at 6:00 P.M. at the Colby-Abbotsford Police Department. City Planning Committee will meet on January 11, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. Personnel/Labor Relations will meet on January 18, 2010 at 6:00 P.M.

Adjourn: Motion was made by Beisner, seconded by Hederer to adjourn at 8:25 P.M. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Approved _____
James W Schmidt, Mayor

Attest _____
Connie Gurtner, Clerk