

November 1, 2011 **November Council Meeting**

The Budget Hearing for the 2012 Budget was called to order by Mayor Schmidt at 6:00 P.M. The Clerk explained any changes to the budget since the last meeting. Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Beisner to adjourn the budget hearing at 6:30 P.M. Motion carried with a voice vote.

The regular meeting of the Colby Common Council was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Mayor James Schmidt. On roll call: Beisner, T Schmidt, Raatz, Schraufnagel, Holtzhausen, Hederer and Kaiser. Lange was absent. Also present were Mayor James Schmidt, Clerk Connie Gurtner, DPW Harland Higley Jr, and Jeremy Haas from MSA.

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

Minutes of the October 4, 2011 council meeting were pre-read and reviewed.

Motion was made by T Schmidt, seconded by Hederer 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 Schraufnagel to approve the bills. The amounts approved are as follows: General Fund \$330,980.23; Water Department \$17,443.34; Sewer Department \$43,125.07; Net payroll \$17,524.63. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Colby-Abbotsford Police Commission met on October 10th.

The commission approved the minutes and expenditures.

Expenditures: Raatz questioned check number 9726 and asked if it was a building design issue. Expenditures were approved.

2012 Police Budget: Abbotsford wanted to see a decrease in the budget. Chief Gosse was able to cut \$4,300 for the 2012 budget. Chairman Lange asked about part-time wages. It's unsure at this time what the health care costs will be. Gas, wages and insurance increased. The commission approved the budget.

Squad purchase: The 2006 vehicle needs to be replaced. Future purchases will be September of 2012 and January 2016. A motion to purchase the Chevy Impala at a cost of \$20,576 failed due to the lack of a second. The commission approved the purchase of a 2013 Interceptor for \$27,304. Raatz voted no. Motion was made by Schraufnagel, seconded by T Schmidt to purchase the 2013 Ford Police Interceptor SUV for a cost of \$26,415. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – T Schmidt, Schraufnagel. Noes – Raatz, Holtzhausen, Hederer, Kaiser, Beisner. Lange is absent. Motion failed. Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Beisner to purchase the 2012 Chevy Impala at a cost of \$20,576. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Raatz, Holtzhausen, Hederer, Kaiser, Beisner. Noes – Schraufnagel, T Schmidt.

Grievance policy: The Commission needs to adopt a policy for the secretarial position before a grievance issue arises. The commission approved the adoption of the City of Abbotsford's grievance policy. Raatz voted no.

Chief's report: Haines has done an excellent job with drug arrest. The Police Department is looking for grant funding for more digital cameras. The current grant money is coming for the digital cameras and will install them into the new vehicles soon. Drug enforcement has gone up, but the budget has stayed the same as last year. If the budget goes over, you can't stop the arrest or the cost of drug enforcement. Chairman Lange stressed his support in protecting both cities.

Motion was made by T Schmidt, seconded by Schraufnagel to approve the actions and expenditures of the Police Commission for October. Motion was made by Holtzhausen, seconded by Raatz to amend the motion to approve the actions and expenditures excluding the action of approval of the employee grievance policy. Amendment to the motion carried with a voice vote. T Schmidt voted no. Amended motion carried with a voice vote. T Schmidt voted no.

Water/Sewer/Streets Committee met on October 13th.

Cross Connection Inspections: The ordinance we have now pertaining to cross connection inspections needs to be updated. We can adopt the ordinance presented to the committee tonight or update the one we have now on our own. DPW Higley said that the one presented tonight was the one he recommended going with; it covered all the changes required by the DNR. The committee approved the cross connection inspection ordinance and will present to the council for full approval. Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by T Schmidt to approve Ordinance 2011-6 the cross connection inspection ordinance as presented. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Negotiate an Agreement with Welcome Dairy to Purchase City's Concrete Pile: Welcome Dairy needs 2,000 loads of fill for an expansion that they are doing. They contacted DPW Higley and asked what it would take for them to get our concrete pile from us. They would come in and pay for crushing the pile. DPW Higley said we could come to an agreement with them such as having them come in and crush the pile and leave behind a percentage such as 25% of the crushed pile as payment for taking the concrete. The committee discussed the issue. The committee approved a motion to submit a negotiated deal with Welcome Dairy to the full council for approval. DPW Higley has not heard anything back from Welcome Dairy. Motion was made by T Schmidt, seconded by Raatz to allow DPW Higley and the Mayor to negotiate a deal for the concrete pile with Welcome Dairy. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Contracted Service for Leaf Collection: Last year Whirlwind Sweeping gave DPW Higley a quote of \$5,960 for leaf collection. That price included two leaf collections, one mid fall and one at end of the fall season. Whirlwind said they could do the two leaf collections this year for \$5,000. DPW Higley figures that it costs the city approximately \$5,515 for the city crew to pick up the leaves, which includes the crew's wages and the cost of the last street sweeping. He says that if we have Whirlwind pick up the leaves this year he doesn't see the need for the last street sweeping right before the winter. Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by T Schmidt, to approve a contract for two leaf collections by Whirlwind Sweeping not to exceed \$5,000 and eliminate that last street sweeping of the year. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Mayor Schmidt: Mayor Schmidt reported on the meeting of the United Communities of Clark County meeting. He also discussed items from the Clark County Economic Development Meeting.

DPW Harland Higley: The following building permits were issued: David Strathmann, 500 S Main Street, re-roof house and garage; Randall and Sandra Busse, 308 W Clark Street, siding; David Deslover, 408 S Main Street, kitchen cabinets, interior remodel; Roger Krebsbach, 219 S 1st Street, enclose screen porch; June Theilig, 504 N 3rd Street, roof; Eric Eilers, 517 N 2nd Street, roof, basement windows; Jerry Flink, 200 W North Street, raze house.

DPW Higley reported on the precipitation and flows for October 2011 at the STP. He also reported on the pumpage of water for October 2011.

Operators' Licenses: The following application for an operator's license was received: Kyla Reischell, 203 S 2nd Street, Colby. Motion was made by Kaiser, seconded by Hederer to approve the Operators' Licenses as presented. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Re-Zoning Request: Dennis Baumgartner from Loos Machine presented a request to re-zone the property at 402 S Second Street from R-1 One and Two Family Dwelling to IG General Industrial. Loos Machine is currently doing an expansion on the adjacent lot and would like to change the zoning to save from having to install a sprinkler system in the new addition. The City Planning Committee approved the re-zoning. Motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Beisner to allow for the zoning change at 402 S 2nd Street and to amend the map. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Security Health Plan Renewal: We received renewal information from Security Health Plan for the 2012 premium renewal. The overall increase for the city's plan is 4.30% or a total premium of \$7,987.18/month. Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by T Schmidt to approve the renewal for 2012 with Security Health Plan. Motion carried with a voice vote. Raatz abstained from voting.

2012 Budget: The budget was discussed in length during the budget hearing. Motion was made by T Schmidt, seconded by Hederer to approve the City of Colby Proposed 2012 Budget as presented with a local levy of \$460,000. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Schraufnagel, Holtzhausen, Hederer, Kaiser, Beisner, Schmidt. Noes - none. Motion carried.

Resolution 6-2011 Adopting the Marathon County Hazard Mitigation Plan: The city has adopted the Clark County Hazard Mitigation Plan but is also required to adopt Marathon County's plan. Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Beisner to approved Resolution 6-2011 as follows. Motion carried with a voice vote.

#### ADOPTING THE MARATHON COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the City of Colby recognizes that natural and manmade hazards pose a threat to people and property, and no community is immune to these hazards; and

WHEREAS, undertaking hazard mitigation actions before disasters occur can reduce the potential for harm to people and property and save taxpayer dollars; and

WHEREAS, Marathon County, in conjunction with Marathon County municipalities, prepared the Hazard Mitigation Plan (the Plan); and

WHEREAS, an adopted hazard mitigation plan is required as a condition of future grant funding for mitigation projects; and

WHEREAS, Marathon County will evaluate and review the Plan after a disaster as well as complete a five-year update as initiated by Marathon County Emergency Management; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that The City of Colby Council, hereby adopts the Marathon County Hazard Mitigation Plan as an official plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Marathon County Emergency Management will submit, on behalf of the participating municipalities the adopted Hazard Mitigation Plan to Wisconsin Emergency Management and Federal Emergency Management Agency official for final review and approval.

James W Schmidt, Mayor  
Connie L Gurtner, Clerk

Resolution 7-2011 to Borrow \$170,000 for the North First Street Project: The city had budgeted to borrow \$170,000 to fund the North First Street Project. Motion was made by Holtzhausen, seconded by Hederer to approve the borrowing resolution with the following terms. The city is borrowing the sum of \$170,000 from Mid-Wisconsin Bank at a rate of

3.75% for a term of 5 years paid in 10 bi-annual payments of \$17,000. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Contract with Newport Service for UDC Inspections: Vierbicher notified the city that they will no longer be performing building inspection services. Jim Flood of Newport Home Inspection has been doing the city's inspections as a service of Vierbicher and has provided the city with a contract to provide this service under his own business. The terms of the contract are very similar to the Vierbicher contract. The plan review and inspection service fees are as follows:

Base Fee for up to 800 sq. feet \$400.00  
Additional fee above 800 sq. feet \$.20 per sq. ft  
Fee for unfinished space \$.10 per sq. ft  
Additions and Alterations (less than 200 sq ft) \$175.00  
Additions and Alterations (over 200 sq ft) \$175.00 plus \$.20 sq ft  
Re-inspection and additional inspections \$65.00

Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Schraufnagel to approve the contract with Newport Home Inspection for UDC inspections for a term of 24 months. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Committee meetings for November: Colby-Abbotsford Police Commission will meet on November 15, 2011 at 6:00 P.M. at the Police Department. City Planning Committee will meet Monday, November 7, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. Personnel/Labor Relations will meet on November 15, 2011 at 6:30 P.M. or immediately following the Police Commission meeting. Water/Sewer Committee will meet on Thursday, November 17, 2011 at 6:00 P.M.

Adjourn: Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Holtzhausen to adjourn at 7:50 P.M. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
James W Schmidt, Mayor

Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
Connie Gurtner, Clerk