

February 3, 2015 **February Council**

The regular meeting of the Colby Common Council was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Mayor James Schmidt. On roll call: Henaman, O'Brien, T Schmidt, Oestreich, Hederer and Kaiser. Thieme was absent. Also present were Mayor James Schmidt, Clerk Connie Gurtner, DPW Harland Higley Jr, Mike Voss from MSA and citizens.

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

Minutes of the January 5th council meeting were pre-read and reviewed. Motion was made by T Schmidt, seconded by Hederer to approve the minutes with one correction – Roger Ried's proposed raise should read \$.15 not \$15 per hour. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Financial Statement and Bills were discussed. Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by T Schmidt to approve the bills. The amounts approved are as follows: General Fund \$593,632.72; Water Department \$107,133.07; Sewer Department \$16,651.25; Net payroll \$19,248.02. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Colby-Abbotsford Police Commission met on January 12th.

The commission approved minutes and expenditures.

The commission approved the Carryover Funds from 2014 to 2015 as follows.

500-00-11300-115-000 Automobile/Equipment \$ 34,761.97  
500-00-11300-121-000 Lockouts \$ 499.13  
500-00-11300-123-000 Registration Fees \$ 656.11  
500-00-11300-124-000 Retirement Benefits \$ 30,039.04  
500-00-11300-125-000 Police Drug Dog Fund \$ 10,706.02  
500-00-11100-013-000 Metal Plate Fund \$ 11,799.20

2014 Budget Amendments Resolution: The commission approved the 2014 Budget Amendments Resolution as follows.

RESOLUTION 1-2015  
APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE 2014 BUDGET

WHEREAS, certain authorized expenditures within the adopted 2014 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 Police Commission of the Abbotsford and Colby Common Councils that the 2014 budget be amended as follows:

Reallocation Expenses as follows:

500-51004-407 Health Insurance - \$ 6,800.00  
500-51003-001 Heat + \$ 2,000.00  
500-51004-409 Worker's Compensation + \$ 3,200.00  
500-51011-020 Radar Certification + \$100.00  
500-51018-000 Equipment +\$1,200.00  
500-51017-000 Computer Maintenance + \$300.00  
500-43005-416 Metal Plate Income + \$ 100,000.00  
500-51028-000 Metal Plate Fees + \$ 100,000.00

James Schmidt, Mayor  
Jessie Polivka, Deputy Clerk

New Signature Cards for the Police Bank Accounts: The signature cards for the Metal Plate Fund and Temporary Plate Fund need to be updated. They need to be updated because of Chief Gosse retiring; Jason Bauer will now need to be the other authorized signer with Sandy Kocian. The commission approved Jason Bauer and Sandy Kocian as authorized signers on the Metal Plate Fund and the Temporary Plate Fund.

Chief's Report: Officer in Charge Jason Bauer told the committee that next month we will have to pay the \$500.00 deductible on the department's auto insurance; one of the squad cars ran into a snow bank and will have to be repaired. The department had a network failure and Seth Pinter came in and repaired it. T. Schmidt thanked Officer Bauer for helping him out the other night when he was having issues with the school bus he was driving.

The commission met in closed session per State Stats 19.85 (1) (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Purpose: Wage & Benefit Negotiations for Kocian.

The commission approved an increase to Sandy Kocian's wage of \$0.40 per hour, increasing her wage from \$17.40 in 2014 to \$17.80 in 2015. Motion was made by T Schmidt, seconded by Oestreich to approve the wage increase for Sandy Kocian's wage \$ .40 per hour to bring her wage to \$17.80 hour contingent on her attending some training this next year. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – T Schmidt, Oestreich. Noes – Kaiser, Henaman, O'Brien, Hederer. Thieme was absent. Motion failed.

Personnel/Labor Relations Committee met on January 16th and 22nd.

The committee met in closed session per State Statute 19.85(1)(b) Considering dismissal, demotion, licensing or discipline of any public employee or person licensed by a board or commission or the investigation of charges against such person, or considering the grant or denial of tenure for a university faculty member, and the taking of formal action on any such matter; provided that the faculty member or other public employee or person licensed is given actual notice of any evidentiary hearing which may be held prior to final action being taken and of any meeting at which final action may be taken. The notice shall contain a statement that the person has the right to demand that the evidentiary hearing or meeting be held in open session. This paragraph and par. (f) do not apply to any such evidentiary hearing or meeting where the employee or person licensed requests that an open session be held.

Purpose: Wages/Benefits/Performance for STP Operator

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

DPW Harland Higley: The following building permits were issued: Daniel Schneider, 309 S 2nd Street, raze house.

DPW Higley reported on the precipitation and flows for January 2015 at the STP. He also reported on the pumpage of water for January 2015.

Shop painting has been completed. Advertisements have been submitted for equipment purchases and LED street light replacement.

Engineer Mike Voss: MSA is completing final plans and specifications for re-submittal to the DNR after changes made from DPW Higley and Al Raatz's comments. MSA is evaluating costs to recoat or to replace the brine tank at the water treatment facility. Harland is considering adding this work to the project. Mike Voss also made the council aware of some possible grant funding available for constructing bike and walking trails in the community.

Liquor License: A liquor license was received from: Westside Garden Nursery LLC, The Flower Shoppe, 805 S Division St, Colby – motion was made by Henaman, seconded by O'Brien to approve. Motion carried with a voice vote

Resolution 1-2015: Motion was made by T Schmidt, seconded by Hederer to approve Resolution 1-2015 Approving Amendments to the 2014 Budget as follows. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Resolution 1-2015

Approving Amendments to the 2014 Budget

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Colby that the 2014 budget be amended as follows:

Reallocation Expenses as follows:

100-54910 Cemetery +\$1,300.00  
100-55200-270 Park Expense +\$2,800.00  
100-56300 Planning/Grant Writing -\$1,000.00  
100-51300 Legal -\$3,100.00  
100-55200-321 Park/Rec - Wages +\$3,400.00  
100-53230-310 Shop - Wages -\$3,400.00  
(Adjust Expenditure Under/Overages)

James W Schmidt, Mayor  
Connie L Gurtner, City Clerk

Area Fire and Ambulance Combined Departments Exploratory Committee: Mayor Schmidt explained that there has been a preliminary meeting to discuss the option of combining our area fire and ambulance departments. Mayor Schmidt said that we need to have two representatives from the city council to serve on this committee. He would like to appoint himself and Nancy O'Brien to serve on this committee. Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Kaiser to approve this appointment. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Committee meetings for February: Colby-Abbotsford Police Commission will meet on February 9, 2015 at 6:30 P.M. at the Public Safety Building. Public Works Committee will meet on February 25, 2015 at 6:30 P.M. Parks/Rec/Recycling will meet on February 24, 2015 at 6:30 P.M.

Closed Session: Motion was made by O'Brien, seconded by Hederer to go into closed session. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Henaman, O'Brien, T Schmidt, Oestreich, Hederer, Kaiser. Noes – none. Thieme was absent. Motion carried. CLOSED SESSION PER STATE STATUTE 19.85(1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

PURPOSE: NEGOTIATE LIQUIDATED DAMAGES WITH SWITLICK & SONS ON THE S 1ST STREET/CLARK STREET PROJECT

Adjourn in Closed Session: Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Oestreich to adjourn in closed session at 8:02 P.M. Motion carried with a voice vote.

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

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