

City of Corunna  
Regular Council Meeting  
Monday, April 18, 2011

Present: Kerridge, Mehigh, Sarrazin, Johnson, Haskins, Reichert.

Absent: Jessen (excused).

Guests: Joe Sawyer, City Manager; Judy Horton; Officer Nick Chiros, Police Department; Merilee Lawson, Frank & Dawn Rodriguez; Donna Kerridge; Diane Johnson; and Gary Holzhausen.

The meeting was called to order in the council chambers of Corunna City Hall by Mayor Kerridge at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS REGULAR MEETING: Johnson moved, Reichert seconded to approve the previous regular meeting minutes dated April 4, 2011 as presented.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Sarrazin, Johnson, Haskins, Reichert, Mehigh.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

AGENDA APPROVAL: Johnson moved, Sarrazin seconded to approve the agenda by moving Item

No. 1 to 1A and adding Item No. 1) Consider Excusal of Councilperson Jessen From the April 18, 2011 Council Meeting Due to Illness.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Sarrazin, Johnson, Haskins, Reichert, Mehigh.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CALL TO AUDIENCE: Diane Johnson, 211 Hastings Street, stated the gazing ball has been replaced at Heritage Park. She thanked the people of Corunna and Vernon who donated money. She further stated she wondered if something could be done about the blue sign that is always lying on the sidewalk in front of the new restaurant before someone files a lawsuit. This morning it was covered with snow so it had to have been there all night.

Gary Holzhausen, County Commissioner, advised the prisoner re-entry initiative program that was going to move to the juvenile detention center is on hold. There does not seem to be any money from the state. He further advised the parole board is moving to the detention center. The county currently rents a facility and moving to the detention center will save the county about \$20,000. The current building is not handicap accessible and the detention center is. He presented the city with a copy of a 9/12 commission handbook.

Joe Sawyer advised the Easter pancake breakfast is Saturday. The lower level of the community center is clean and ready for the breakfast.

CONSIDER EXCUSAL OF COUNCILPERSON JESSEN FROM THE APRIL 18, 2011

COUNCIL MEETING: Johnson moved, Haskins seconded to excuse Councilperson Jessen from the April 18, 2011 council meeting due to illness.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Haskins, Reichert, Mehigh, Sarrazin, Johnson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF VOLUNTARY SANITARY SEWER SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

AGREEMENT FORM: Mr. Sawyer advised this form is part of SQWIF program that will be loaning money at the rate of two and one-half percent to city residents who need to re-route their storm sewer connections. The homeowner hires a contractor who then gives the bill to the city and the bill gets paid. The agreement form has been approved by the state and was submitted to the bonding attorney for review. Minor changes have been made to it to make sure the proper sections of the city charter and ordinances are referenced correctly. The original form was not attorney approved so the intent was to bring every loan to the council for approval. This can still be done, but if a standard form is adopted, it will be treated as a routine order of business. He asked council if they would like the form brought to the council individually or does the office staff have the authority to execute the agreement as long as there is conformity with the form. Sarrazin moved, Reichert seconded to adopt the Voluntary Sanitary Sewer Special Assessment Agreement Form as presented by management and prepared by bond counsel and authorize the city staff to execute the agreements individually with the people who choose to use the available funds without individual city council approval.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Reichert, Mehigh, Sarrazin, Johnson, Haskins.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER 2011 FIREWORKS AGREEMENT: Mr. Sawyer explained Wolverine Fireworks just provided him with the proposal. The good news is there are no reductions to the show and it will have the same number and style of shells as last year's proposal at the same price.

Johnson moved, Haskins seconded to approve the 2011 Fireworks Agreement with Wolverine Fireworks.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Johnson, Reichert, Mehigh, Sarrazin, Haskins.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER RESIGNATION OF BRENT MOWINSKI FROM THE CORUNNA YOUTH

SPORTS AND RECREATION COMMISSION: Johnson moved, Reichert seconded to accept the resignation of Brent Mowinski from the Corunna Youth Sports and Recreation Commission with regret.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Reichert, Sarrazin, Haskins, Mehigh, Johnson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CALL TO AUDIENCE: Judy Horton, 315 N. Dutcher Street, advised the Easter breakfast will be a little bit different than it has been in the past due to the construction. If anyone has the time, extra servers are needed. Councilperson Sarrazin asked what time in the morning. Ms. Horton advised the breakfast starts at 8:00 a.m. and goes until 11:00 a.m. The egg hunt will be held afterwards.

ROUNDTABLE: Councilperson Reichert advised he had nothing to discuss.

Councilperson Haskins advised he had nothing to discuss.

Councilperson Johnson advised she had nothing to discuss.

Councilperson Sarrazin thanked the council for putting up with his horrible performances lately by not attending everything that he should have. He put his father-in-law in the ground today and he will be sadly missed. He appreciated all of the condolences he has received.

Councilperson Mehig advised he had nothing to discuss.

ADJOURN: Johnson moved, Mehig seconded to adjourn.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Johnson, Reichert, Mehig, Haskins, Sarrazin.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED Time was 7:20 p.m.

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Charles Kerridge, Mayor

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Nichole L. Cowdrey, City Clerk/Treasurer