

**CITY OF WILLERNIE  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
DECEMBER 15, 2021**

**PRESENT:** Parent, Siver, Baglio, Soderlund, DeJong, Attorney-Susannah Torseth, Maintenance Superintendent-Rick Paulson and Clerk-Vickie Keating.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Soderlund moved to approve the agenda, Baglio seconded the motion, and the agenda was approved.

**APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 2021 MINUTES**

Baglio moved to approve the minutes as pre-read, Siver seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No residents were present for public comments at the December 2021 meeting.

**MIKE HENRY – REQUESTING LOT SPLIT**

Mike Henry asked to split the lot on 413 Warner. He would like one buildable lot north of the house on Warner. Lots 7 and 8 Block 24 would then be combined.

Mike would like lots 26, 27 and 28 Block 24 on Faversham combined into one parcel. Currently Lots 26 and 27 are parcel #29.030.21.34.0027 and Lot 28 is parcel # 29.030.21.34.0028.

Attached to the minutes are the maps presented by Mr. Henry asking for the lot splits on the above parcels.

Soderlund moved to approve splitting the lots on Warner and combining the lots on Faversham with an easement going through lot 27 and 7 coming in on Warner Ave. Siver seconded the motion. All council members except DeJong voted yes to the motion. DeJong abstained.

**FLOWERS FOR STREET LIGHTS**

The City of Mahtomedi sent Parent a memo concerning the flower baskets hanging on the streetlights in both Mahtomedi and Willernie. Parent read the memo explaining the cost of the flowers and the maintenance on these baskets.

The cost for the baskets will be approximately \$1240 with a lifetime warranty on the baskets.

Parent moved to approve the cost of the baskets. Baglio seconded the motion and the motion passed.

### **MATS BUSINESS LICENSE**

The exercise business in Mats building on Stillwater Road has not applied for a business license.

Soderlund spoke with the owner, and she is going to contact the city concerning the license.

Baglio suggested sending a letter to Mats concerning this issue if the business owner does not approach the city.

Soderlund will follow up on the business license next week.

### **CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT**

Due to the severe weather the conditional use permit was put on hold until the January meeting.

### **BONDING REQUEST**

Parent explained that the city received the grant for the maintenance building. A meeting will be set up with Les and Rick after the holidays so bids can be accepted for the new building.

### **YARDS IN VIOLATION**

Susannah passed out a memo on junk ordinance violations and the processes. She explained the abatement procedure and prosecution procedure. There are specific rules to follow.

The council can decide if they want more rules and laws concerning the junk, however, when removing cars the city would store them and a tow company would be on retainer to remove the cars.

Willernie does not have the funds to store vehicles and hire a tow company.

DeJong moved to table the issue until 2022. There was no second to the motion.

The majority of the council does not believe Willernie has the funds to move forward on this issue, so it was suggested that DeJong review the issue and report back to the council.

Susannah updated the council on Cheryl Malkowski. Cheryl did not appear at the hearing; another hearing is set for February. Patraw has a failure to appear twice, he will be fined with a petty misdemeanor.

**RICK REPORT**

Residents are throwing snow on the roads, and they cannot shovel the snow into the streets for the plow to move. This issue will be addressed in the mayor's newsletter reminding residents to keep the snow on their property.

Everything else is running smoothly in the city.

**APPROVAL OF THE BILLS**

Baglio moved to approve the bills, Soderlund seconded the motion, and the bills were approved.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Soderlund moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m. Baglio seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria R. Keating  
Clerk-Treasurer