

JUNE 27 2016 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Prescott City Council was held on Monday, June 27, 2016 in the Prescott Municipal Building, 800 Borner St., Prescott, WI 54021.

Call to order/Roll Call: Mayor David Hovel called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Members present were Galen Seipel, Joshua Gergen, Jack Hoschette, Rob Daugherty and Maureen Otwell. Bill Dravis was excused. Public Works Director Hank Zwart and City Administrator Jayne Brand represented staff.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Public Comments: Bill Hartman, Walnut Street said several of the neighbors have been having trouble with traffic and parking congestion going on because of Borner Farm. Hartman stated there was a petition which was signed by the neighbors who adjoin the farm and are across the street from the farm. Hartman questioned why a commercial business is allowed in a residential area. Hartman stated on a Friday night pizza night there can be 10 to 20 cars who turnaround in his driveway. Hartman also stated with parking being allowed on both sides of the street there is no way emergency vehicles can get through.

Baard Webster the owner of Borner Farm stated he had no knowledge of the petition. Webster stated the parking was approved as part of their special use permit. Webster stated the American Legion is in their neighborhood on Pearl Street and they have no problems. Webster stated they have signs about turning around in private driveways. Webster stated the neighbors just want to see them gone.

Bill Huppert of 1163 Walnut Street stated they don't want them gone but they want ordinances enforced. Huppert stated he feels it is wrong to be able to sell beer and wine in residential areas and if they could sell it why can't he sell it for the Pirates games. Huppert stated there are times when the parking makes the street impassible. Huppert stated when a business comes into a business zoned district the city requires them to have parking.

Diane Webster, owner of Borner Farm stated she is surprised to find out the neighbors have issues with the farm. Webster stated she has talked with the neighbors and not heard anything negative. Webster stated there is more parking around the ball field than a Borner Farm. Webster stated none of the neighbors have come to experience the pizza night.

Daugherty/Gergen motion to approve the consent agenda which included June 13, 2016 regular city council meeting minutes, June 14, 2016 city council meeting minutes, May 19, 2016 Prescott Public Library Board of Trustee meeting minutes and moving the June 13, 2016 license committee meeting minutes to the license section of the agenda passed without a negative voice vote.

Alderperson Daugherty informed the Council the Public Works Committee had met with representatives from the Town of Oak Grove Board. The recommendation from the committee is to allow residents from the Town of Oak Grove and Town of Clifton to purchase permits at city hall at the cost of \$15 for the remainder of 2016. It was discussed at budget time we could work with the townships to look at financial support possibly using the census. No commercial businesses will be allowed and there will not be an increase in hours. **Otwell/Hoschette motion to issue permits to residents of Town of Oak Grove and Town of Clifton at the cost of \$15 for the remainder of 2016 passed without a negative voice vote.**

Gergen/Otwell motion to approve Class "B" beer and Class "C" wine for Papa Tronno LLC for 2016-2017 passed without a negative voice vote.

Gergen/Daugherty to approve sidewalk café application for Papa Tronnio and Twisted Oak Café for 2016-2017 passed without a negative voice vote.

Gergen/Otwell motion to approve operator license for Shannon Samuelson passed without a negative voice vote.

Mayor Hovel reviewed the minutes for the council meeting of April 27, 2015 when the special use permit for Borner Farm was approved. Alderperson Seipel stated he had received phone calls about traffic and parking issues. It was reiterated with a special use permit it allows for a business in a residential area. It appears the crowds on the Friday night pizza night are causing the most problems. The pizza nights are getting more popular so there is more traffic and parking. Alderperson Otwell stated this is the only working farm left in city limits and they are operating a CSA for the vegetables. Alderperson Hoschette asked how many pizza nights there are. Diane Webster stated they have either 13 or 14 nights during the summers. They take orders from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and usually have the last pizzas served by 9:00 p.m. Alderperson Seipel asked how many pizzas are served in a night. Diane Webster stated the most served has been 149 pizzas. Mayor Hovel stated then they could have been as many as 300 people. Webster disagreed stating some people would eat a whole pizza. Alderson Gergen stated even if only one person at a pizza that would still be 149 people. Alderperson Seipel stated he feels a traffic counts should be done as to the number of cars. Alderperson Otwell stated there are other areas in the city which have events such as the ball fields. Mayor Hovel stated the difference most residents who purchased their homes purchased them knowing these event areas were there where the residents adjoining Borner Farms did not. Diane Webster asked the council to support the business community. Alderperson Otwell stated the council has made a good effort to support the business community. She asked if there was a way to limit the number of people they can serve to reduce traffic and parking. Mayor Hovel stated the council does support the business community but need to also support the taxpayers. Mayor Hovel stated he understood there were no objections at the time the special use was issued but residents didn't know what to expect. There was discussion about allowing parking on only one side of the street. Bill Huppert stated he did not like the idea of permanent no parking on one side of the street. He said there are times when he parks his vehicles on the street. Huppert also stated there are a number of kids who attend the pizza night and has concerns about them running between the cars. Bill Hartman they should go to a commercial area to sell their pizza and vegetables. Hartman stated he has been a resident across for the farm for 30 plus years.

Otwell/Daugherty motion to grant the special use permit with Class "B" beer and Class "C" wine license for 2016-2017 working with the Chief of Police on parking restrictions on one side of the street and to provide to the city council the number of people at each pizza night for the remainder of 2016 passed without a negative voice vote.

Maya Katt discussed with Council the purchase of the building at 127 Broad Street and the issuing of Class "B" beer and Class "C" wine license. They plan is for food which would be described as fast and casual dining. They would like to include a patio on the back side of the building. Their hope is to open mid- September or October of 2016. They would not be open year round the first year. Alderperson Seipel encouraged them to make sure they know the location of their property stakes. Alderperson Gergen asked if they were going to need a full liquor license. Maya stated it is not in their initial business plan. The consensus of the council is they would issue the licenses they are requesting as long as food is a part of the business plan.

Dan Roth of Trane presented to council the preliminary facilities overview for energy saving performance contract. He reviewed the options for the city buildings. There was also a review of the

proposal for solar on five of the public buildings. The city would not have to come up with the money for the solar. A third party investor would make the original investment as the city can't take federal tax credits or depreciation . **Gergen/Daugherty motion to proceed with development and final proposal for the City of Prescott solar PV installation passed unanimously via roll call vote.**

Daugherty/Otwell motion to proceed with energy savings item for municipal building which includes HVAC upgrade, lighting retrofit and building envelope passed unanimously via roll call vote.

Daugherty/Gergen motion to approve Cheri Johnson to the Police Commission passed without a negative voice vote.

Daugherty/Gergen motion to adjourn passed without a negative voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jayne M. Brand
City Administrator