

**COMMON COUNCIL
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Justin M. Nickels, Mayor

Jennifer Hudon, City Clerk

Tuesday, December 6, 2011

The Common Council of the City of Manitowoc, Wisconsin, met in **special session** at the Council Chambers in City Hall, the regular meeting place on Tuesday, December 6, 2011.

Said meeting was duly called, noticed, held and conducted in the manner required by the Common Council and the pertinent Wisconsin Statutes.

Mayor Justin M. Nickels called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. and on roll call the following members were present: Alderpersons Jason Sladky, Dave Soeldner, Allan Schema, Collin Braunel, Jill Hennessey, James N. Brey, Scott McMeans, Alex J. Olson and Christopher Able.

Absent: Alderperson Matt Kadow.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation.

Committee on Finance, to whom was referred General City Budget (11-713) of proposed 2011 levy for 2012, in the amount of \$13,116,398.00 including the Manitowoc Public Library, with \$917,045.00 in proposed tax incremental financing, returned same amending the budget to the sum of \$13,935,915.00 with \$1,065,503.00 in proposed tax incremental financing; more specifically an increase of \$967,115.00 to reflect the attached revisions, with the related TIF increments, and adoption of the budget, as amended. Motion by McMeans, second by Olson, and carried by acclamation to accept the Committee's report. Ayes, 7. Nays, 2.

Common Council adjourned at 6:27 p.m. until Thursday, December 8, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. Ayes, 9. Nays, none.

**Thursday, December 8, 2011
5:00 p.m.**

Mayor Justin M. Nickels called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and on roll call the following members were present: Alderpersons Jason Sladky, Dave Soeldner, Allan Schema, Collin Braunel, Jill Hennessey, Matt Kadow, James N. Brey, Scott McMeans, Alex J. Olson and Christopher Able.

Absent: None.

Mayor Nickels presented Veto (11-807) dated December 7, 2011, to 2012 Budget and addressed his concerns. Mayor also presented handout outlining his proposed revenues and expenses bringing the City to a balanced budget and answered questions.

A lengthy discussion followed on the numbers proposed by the Mayor and the budget in general including comparing the two reorganizational plans.

Moved by McMeans, second by Able, and unanimously carried to allow for public input. Ayes, 10. Nays, none. In accordance with policy, the public input portion of the meeting is not made a part of the official record.

Another lengthy discussion followed on the budget including the differences and similarities between the two plans, personnel cuts, shared services and a customer service department.

Moved by Soeldner, second by Olson, to override the Mayor's veto. Discussion on the motion followed. Ayes, 4. Nays, 6. Motion fails. Veto is sustained.

Moved by McMeans, second by Brey to approve the actions presented tonight to balance the budget for 2012.

Moved by McMeans, second by Brey, and carried by acclamation, to amend the motion to include forming an Ad Hoc Committee to Determine Structure of City Government to consist of the Mayor and the six Chairpersons of the Standing Committees of the Common Council. Ayes, 9. Nays, 1.

Moved by Brey to table the motion until Monday. Motion failed for lack of a second.

Discussion continued.

Aldersperson Able called the question. Aldersperson Brey objected. Discussion continued.

Vote on the motion, as amended: Ayes, 4. Nays, 6. At this point we have no budget.

Moved by McMeans, second by Kadow, to approve:

REVENUES	
Initial Special Assessments	400,000
Special Assessment Seal Coating	51,000
TIF Administrative fees	25,000
Tax Increase	1,022,469
Recreational Fees	10,000
Cemetery Fees	54,000
Citizens Park Fees	20,000
EXPENSES	
Snow and Ice Overtime	50,000
Mayor's Budget	3,510
Health Insurance	200,000
IT Reduction	100,000
15.5% contribution	54,000
Library	10,000

Aldersperson Hennessey offered a friendly amendment to Aldersperson McMeans' motion to include the Additional Operation line of \$686,174 which was accepted. Ayes, 9. Nays, 1.

Discussion continued regarding the proposed \$275,000 current fee increases.

Aldersperson Soeldner left the meeting.

Moved by Brey, second by McMeans, and carried by acclamation, to form an Ad Hoc Committee to Determine Structure of City Government to consist of the Mayor and the six Chairpersons of the Standing Committees of the Common Council. Ayes,7. Nays, 2.

Moved by McMeans, second by Brey, and unanimously carried to remove \$220,766 Wastewater Treatment Facility Interest. Ayes, 9. Nays, none.

Moved by Hennessey, second by Brey, and carried by acclamation, to add Current Fee Increases of \$275,000, with Ad Hoc Committee to make that determination. Ayes, 7. Nays, 2.

Aldersperson Soeldner returned to the meeting.

Moved by Brey, second by McMeans, and carried by acclamation, to include \$1,009,613 for Personnel Expense with Ad Hoc Committee to make that determination. Ayes, 9. Nays, 1.

Moved by Soeldner, second by Olson, to put the \$350,000 Fund Balance Applied into the Personnel line. Ayes, 6. Nays, 4. Motion carried.

Moved by McMeans, second by Hennessey, and carried by acclamation, to incorporate all changes. Ayes, 7. Nays, 3.

Common Council adjourned at 7:51 p.m. until Saturday, December 10, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. Ayes, 10. Nays, none.

Saturday, December 10, 2011

9:00 a.m.

Mayor Justin M. Nickels called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. and on roll call the following members were present: Alderpersons Jason Sladky, Allan Schema, Jill Hennessey, James N. Brey, Scott McMeans, Alex J. Olson and Christopher Able.

Absent: Alderpersons Dave Soeldner, Collin Braunel and Matt Kadow.

Committee on Finance, returned General City Budget (11-713) of proposed 2011 levy for 2012, in the amount of \$13,116,398.00 including the Manitowoc Public Library, with \$917,045.00 in proposed tax incremental financing, returned same amending the budget to the sum of \$14,033,460.00 with \$1,071,954.00 in proposed tax incremental financing; more specifically an increase of \$1,071,071.00 to reflect the attached revisions, with the related TIF increments, with a minority report recommending adoption of the budget, as amended. Motion by McMeans, second by Olson, and carried by acclamation to accept the Committee's report. Ayes, 6. Nays, 1.

Common Council adjourned at 9:10 a.m. Ayes, 7. Nays, none.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Hudon, City Clerk

CLERK'S NOTE: Notice of the special meeting was served by *police officer on the 10 alderpersons and an affidavit of service is on file in the City Clerk's Office. (Notice in substantially the same form was posted on the bulletin board and given to news media on December 5, 2011.)*