



**CITY OF RIVER FALLS, WISCONSIN  
COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

**August 25, 2020**

Mayor Dan Toland called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in a virtual meeting format due to the Covid 19 pandemic. The City Council Chambers was open for public to attend.

**City Council Members Present:** Todd Bjerstedt, Sean Downing, Christopher Gagne, Scott Morrissette, Diane Odeen, Ben Plunkett, Hal Watson

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** City Administrator Scot Simpson; IT Specialist Jon Smits; City Clerk Amy White; Assistant City Administrator Jason Stroud; City Attorney Chris Gierhart; Community Development Director Amy Peterson; Economic Development Manager Keri Schreiner, others

Others Present: Marvin Wanders, Jeremy Novak, Patrick Bilbrey, Tiffany Bieszki, Trevor Stokes, Neil Gilbertson, Zorka Stancevic, Patricia LaRue, Eric Amundsen, Joanne Ayres, Craig Hofland, Mike Reich, Raine O'Keefe, Dan Nelson, Adrian Amundsen, Ben Fuchs

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

August 11 Regular Meeting Minutes

**MS Morrissette/Downing move to approve minutes.** Morrissette followed up on a correction to a vote in the minutes. The clerk confirmed that the change had been made. The Mayor asked for a vote. **The roll call vote passed unanimously 7-0 with all voting in favor.**

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

Bills: \$ 1,619,966.26

**MS Gagne/Morrissette move to approve bills subject to the Comptroller. The roll call vote passed unanimously 7-0 with all voting in favor.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT, PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

The Mayor asked persons interested in speaking on DeSanctis Park to wait until the public hearing.

Benjamin Fuchs, 2529 Powell Avenue – appreciated the special meeting last week and spoke on items that were discussed.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

Ordinance 2020-07 Amending the Comprehensive Plan and Future Land Use Map – Second Reading and Disposition

Community Development Director Amy Peterson provided a presentation covering items 2-6 on the agenda. She showed the project site plan that included four buildings in two phases providing 84 townhome style units. The City released a request for proposals and received six proposals with a variety of density and housing types. Three-Sixty Real Estate Solutions, LLC was selected to move forward. Peterson talked about the roads, parking, and information on the units.

Peterson talked about the City's housing needs, housing construction over the last 20 years, and workforce housing ('affordable housing' for all). She noted the City is short on all types of housing. Peterson talked about

housing density. Cities are made to be dense and talked about higher versus lower density and the benefits of higher density.

Peterson talked about parkland and open space. The National Recreational Parks Association recommends 17.83 acres per 1,000 residents; in 2018, River Falls was at 18.08 acres (not including any public conservancy lands).

Peterson talked about the 1995 Park and Rec Plan that defined parks and recreational spaces into categories. In the plan, DeSanctis is 'yet to be acquired' but is categorized as a community park. Staff feels that DeSanctis Park has been underdeveloped and utilized primarily as a neighborhood park. Development of this park including water/sewer connections and a parking lot has been lagging on for 20 years. She asked where will the nearly \$1 million dollars to pay for the necessary infrastructure come from if not a development of this scale?

Peterson talked about Planned Unit Developments (PUDs). PUDs allow flexibility for the community and developer. PUDs have been used frequently in the City. Peterson provided a map with locations.

Peterson talked about the goals and benefits of Milltown Residences including realigning Dry Run Road, connecting Glover School to water/sewer, creating a public parking lot, park landscaping, addressing emergency access issues, additional housing to meet needs, sidewalk connections, and more.

Peterson provided the history of the project. The Plan Commission did not meet in June due to the pandemic, but comments were solicited from the members that were included in a report to Council for the General Development Plan. On June 9, 2020, a public hearing was held, and Council approved the General Development Plan which established the right for use for the area as presented. On August 4, 2020, the Plan Commission approved future land use and provided a positive recommendation on tax increment district 16. Staff supports that the Specific Implementation Plan substantially conforms to the GDP, but the Plan Commission vote was tied on the SIP for the project. Peterson reviewed the items on the agenda for action by Council.

**At 6:40 p.m., the Mayor moved into a Public Hearing for Ordinance 2020-07.** Public comment was limited to two minutes per speaker. The Mayor asked to have persons on the phone speak first.

Patrick Bilbrey, no address given – expressed concern about obstructing the view of the park, the two-story design, and increased congestion presenting hazards on County M.

Tiffany Bieszki, 215 Hamilton Drive – sent Council an online petition. She believes that a high-density development is a huge mistake and said parkland/open space make the City unique and desirable. She expressed disappointment in the GDP approval process feeling there was a lack of community involvement. She urged the Council to slow down and said all development should receive proper community input which she didn't feel this process did. She talked further about possible park options.

Trevor Stokes, no address given – opposed the housing plan and wanted clarification on why an expansive complex was chosen. He cautioned against aggressive expansion as it would lead the City astray from the qualities that make it a unique and beautiful community. People live here for the small-town qualities, the sense of community, and the natural beauty. He talked further about preserving the landscape.

Neil Gilbertson, 1376 Division Street – has paid taxes for 50 years. If the development is built, he feels those residents will get all the benefits of the park even though he has paid taxes for it. He feels the traffic will increase causing other roadway needs which the taxpayers will have to pay for in the future.

Zorka Stancevic, 1136 W. Division Street – talked about the additional traffic due to the development resulting in accidents and road deterioration. She does not have the funds to pay for assessments for future street improvements. She is not in favor of the development citing the two-lane road would not be able to handle the increased traffic, safety concerns for children riding bikes, the high-density development design not matching the current architecture, and the development blocking the park. She felt the development would be better suited to a different location such as the Shopko lot.

Patricia LaRue, 489 Marcella Court – serves on the Plan Commission. She talked about the development process saying the Plan Commission didn't meet (due to the pandemic) and felt there was no opportunity for public involvement and the Park Board was bypassed. She doesn't see why a decision needs to be made tonight. Five hundred residents have asked the City to apply the brakes, and she thinks they need to be part of the discussion and solution.

Eric Amundsen, 500 Marcella Court – provided background on the original use for DeSanctis Park and talked about the high-density housing going against the zoning and intended purpose of the park. He didn't think the housing fit in the area. He also talked about the information included in the packet and expressed his disappointment in the time limit for speaking.

Joanne Ayres, 1583 Covey Drive – talked about a lack of parking causing the park not to be used. She asked when the traffic count was taken and talked about a remark made by a Councilor regarding changing the zoning. She didn't understand how the zoning could be changed to suit the Council but not consider the residents.

Craig Hofland, 150 Kusilek Street – is a new Plan Commission member. He sent an email to the Council regarding his concerns. He was absent for the Plan Commission vote on the project which was 3-3 - to him means a 'no vote'. He is against the plan and would have voted no if he was in attendance. He wants the Council to take that into consideration. Hofland is against the PUD and SIP believing the Council moved too quickly. He asked the Council to listen to the residents challenging them to 'think outside the box'.

Mike Reich, 1306 Roosevelt Street – DeSanctis Park surrounds his house. He is concerned about the density issue and spoke in detail about it. He also talked about the character of the west side of town and about how the development would be building a wall along Division Street. He wondered if it was fair for the project to be considered by Council without a recommendation from the commission.

Raine O'Keefe, 13 Dry Run Road – several of her concerns have been covered by others. She asked about light pollution as the traffic will be facing her bedroom and headlights will be shining into her home. She asked if there was research done regarding grants that could fund adding water/sewer to the park.

Dan Nelson, 1627 Maple Street – is against the proposal and signed the petition. He said the property owner seems to be the City, but residents weren't told that – he felt it was deceptive to the community. People were upset because the size of project doubled. He talked about the three-story design noting no one wants to live in it, the speeding traffic on Maple Street, and being against high density.

Adrian Amundsen, 310 N. 4<sup>th</sup> Street – said research has been done and there was not one city nearby or the size of River Falls that has a major apartment complex directly connected to a city regional park. He is not against developing it but wants it to be in the current zoning of R1 low density. He talked about other proposals that would abide by the zoning. He doesn't feel that the project fits into the neighborhood. He wanted the Council to reject the project.

**With no other persons wishing to comment, the Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:40 p.m. and asked for a motion. MS Morrissette/Odeen move to approve the ordinance. The Mayor asked Council for comments.**

Alderson Downing thanked the public for comments. He is against the proposal because the community is saying no to it. He doesn't believe there was a process designed for a regional park and housing. Downing talked about doing project at half density and being successful. He felt the project was rushed through with a focus on housing only and not the park. He feels there wasn't a chance for community engagement and cited a petition signed by over a thousand people. Downing thought we should take a step back and work with the community. He will be voting no and is against the zoning change. He wants to hear what the Plan Commission can agree to and talked about the project not meeting the expectations of the majority of the Plan Commission, community or himself. We need better community engagement. Downing noted that Peter and Susan DeSanctis

said in the petition that this is not what they intended for the City to do with the land and he would encourage everyone to keep that in mind - that is why he will be voting no.

Aldersperson Watson comes in with an open mind and has listened. This is a tough vote. He has a vision for a regional park in this area that is more significant than what is in DeSanctis now. Watson has argued for environment and conservancy land for the last 20 years while on the Plan Commission and Council. This proposal takes 4+ acres and develops it as planned and brings in over 124 acres of conservancy and open space land. He suggested taking a pause and look at the bigger picture. He talked about the conservancy land on top of the mound and extending it into DeSanctis Park and on the west side (school district land) it ties the park into open space. We would be looking at a regional park of over 200 acres. Watson would like staff to take a wider look to include property to the east.

Watson said residents need to understand that the area will change and grow. There is a large business park we are committed to and that is a done deal. People who work in that business park will need a place to live. Either we develop this parcel along Division Street, or we don't. For those who oppose the current development plan, he is looking to you. The City has invested \$200,000 in the parcel and a \$1 million invested into parking, sewer, and building out the trail system. This tax increment district is part of plan - you cannot fund that. It will be funded through taxes. He believed the residents are asking the Council to come up with a \$1.2 million and more studies and swallow what we have spent. His mind is open to hear what other Councilors have to say.

Aldersperson Morrissette addressed citizen comments. The first was regarding rezoning and that a Councilor said, "we'll just rezone it." He doesn't recall a Councilor making that comment in a flippant manner. The zoning is not going to change - it will remain R1 with a PUD overlay.

The second comment Morrissette addressed was the City owning the land and maybe it was deceptive at a prior time. The City did not buy the land until we were down the road with Gerrard's. The City bought land to use as incentive to get infrastructure put in. He addressed the comment about moving it another site in town. The developer has put their capital at risk. Shopko is a private site, and we do not dictate what goes into it. People bring development projects to City, and then we react. He talked further about the developers and capital.

Morrissette said Mann Valley will develop over time. This is a long-term project we are committed to. There is a financial impact. The Council is charged with City's finances. He talked about increasing the amenities in the City and provided examples.

Morrissette wanted to review the project history and began with a staff discussion about a possible land swap and to do some single-family infill to the east. It didn't even make it to an agenda and people were telling us that's not what they wanted. The Gerrard project came along, and we were inundated by people saying that's not what they want and now we are inundated with these responses. He appreciates community involvement but heard tonight that someone likes the Gerrard project better. We can't go back and revive past projects. We have in front of us what we have. He talked about the project and the benefits including making the schoolhouse usable and the realignment of Dry Run Road and Bobwhite. There are a lot of benefits to this, and he does not downplay people who are concerned. Morrissette is in favor and feels it will be a long-term benefit to the park and City.

Aldersperson Gagne shares Watson and Morrissette's sentiments. He talked about two projects in his neighborhood and the concerns of his neighbors regarding those projects. He appreciates the concerns of residents. Gagne talked about knowing the history of the project, working hard to listen to residents' concerns, and the tough challenge it is to make people happy. He hopes with a project like this, we can invite new neighbors into community. He talked about growth. Gagne feels it is a great use of space and spoke about flipping other property into conservancy. He has a hard time with the concept of "I don't want it in my neighborhood" - we are going to grow. Gagne spoke further about the project amenities including housing and parking. He said originally the whole park was dedicated to housing and addressed the light pollution issue. He believes he will be voting in favor.

Aldersperson Odeen clarified that the item before Council is amending the comprehensive plan and future land use map. She will address the SIP later. She appreciates Mr. Watson's vision for a bigger conservancy area. She talked about incorporating large green spaces and conservancy areas that will make this an attractive industrial park. She will be voting in favor of amending comprehensive plan.

Aldersperson Plunkett appreciates everyone coming to comment and that the motion is on the comprehensive plan. He thought the park land expansion included will be a valuable addition to the City in future. Overall, he feels the plan meets the needs of the City as well as planning for future expansion.

Downing asked City Administrator Simpson if the comprehensive plan and land use map allow for zoning of high density with the Gerrard Project and would it bring in the same amount of money or more but have less density. Simpson asked Downing for clarification on his question. Downing provided an explanation. Simpson said action on the future land use plan doesn't require the City or a developer to go up to the maximum density. If you are in favor of the proposed land use, this is not changing the zoning so even in the case of a less dense proposal, you will still have to go through the PUD process. The Council is expected to approve detailed plans for anything in a PUD. There isn't a change in zoning, but you are signaling, if you do approve this, that you are interested in more density on that property.

Downing asked if a project half that size based of the density for that zone based on home ownership could actually bring in the same amount of funding or more. Simpson said yes, lots of things are possible but not probable. He talked about the high amenities of the units and the good value and provided further explanation. Downing sees the value in having more rentals and also compromising with the community. He talked about doing the Three Sixty plan in a different location and believed the funding could come from a smaller plan like the Gerrard project which could be done in the zone. Downing talked further about development paying for the park. He asked the Council about the value of compromise and thinks we need to slow down the process and look at what is best for the community.

Morrisette said that is the market's job to decide that. It is not the Council's job to dictate what goes where other than a general communication through a comp plan. Our job is to react to what comes to us. He understood what Downing was saying but that is not what in front of us. The market has to dictate it. Morrisette respectfully disagreed with Downing. Downing asked Morrisette about putting out an RFP with a compromise. Morrisette said an RFP was already done with six projects submitted. A committee reviewed the projects, and this was the one that was decided upon. Downing spoke further about an RFP.

Aldersperson Bjerstedt wasn't going to add any comments because everything was well-stated. He is in construction business and this summer was asked to price a twin home in River Falls. The cost was well north of \$600,000 to build two units with two bedrooms, two bath, two car garages. All of this discussion is mute because the math doesn't lie. Construction costs gone up 24 percent since last year. Affordability can't be done without density. It is just simple math.

Watson appreciated Bjerstedt's comment. It confirms his thoughts. He respectfully disagrees with Downing and feels there is no middle road. Either we add to the park, swallow our investment and figure out how we pay for the amenities. He suggested maybe the neighbors or City as a whole want to contribute a couple of million dollars. He feels this is where we are heading if we don't approve the project. For those concerned about the loss of environmental land, he thinks there is a big gain overall. He thought Gagne made good points. One of which is that every other part of the City has some element of multifamily housing happening and this part of town has not, but it is on the way. Watson wanted to acknowledge those comments from fellow Councilors and say thank them.

Downing asked Simpson was there was a formal community engagement process done for the current proposed project for Three Sixty. Simpson said there was nothing done outside of the GDP and SIP process. Downing asked if we have solicited the public for their opinions. Simpson said we've had two public hearings as a part of our formal process – there is a formal process. Downing was suggesting a process to similar to the Kinni Corridor process and asked if formal proposal was put forth by the Development Department. Simpson said no

but neither was that asked by Council – to be clear, staff is following up on strategic initiatives of the Council. This isn't staff's project. Staff is providing advice based upon the path that the Council asked for. Council did not instruct staff to go through a public process anywhere near the significance of the Kinni Corridor project. This was a process modified by the pandemic but was still followed with the two public hearings and other processes. Downing asked a follow up question regarding if there has been housing project near other regional parks. Simpson was not aware of any and provided further details.

**With no other comments, the Mayor asked for a vote. Simpson provided a point of order. He clarified that a vote yes on this does not approve the development project. This is a vote on the future land use plan which was voted in favor by the Plan Commission. A vote on this does not require the Council to approve any of the other items or the development as a whole. The roll call vote was 6-1 with all voting in favor except for Downing.**

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

**Resolution No. 5607 Approving the Planned Unit Development (PUD) Specific Implementation Plan for Milltown Residences**

Marvin Wanders and Jeremy Novak, from Three Sixty Real Estate Solutions introduced themselves. **MS Gagne/Morrisette move to approve resolution.** Morrisette asked a question on behalf of a citizen. If we were to modify the design and have two four-story buildings and two two-story buildings, how would that impact the finances of the project?

Waters said we could be going into different code areas and may need an elevator. This building is designed to have a residential feel. He is not sure that would be well-received in the neighborhood.

Watson asked about the market research and target area. Waters said both he and Jeremy did independent research. They also paid a data company to do research. They are investing a lot of capital, and they cannot be wrong on the data. From a trend standpoint, young professionals moving to community would come to this type of housing. This will also attract a certain number of empty nesters. Waters talked about how homeownership is changing and provided further details.

Watson asked about environmental considerations and how they would accomplish those. Waters said they are very concerned about the environmental impact and noted that density is an important component to mitigate an environmental impact. The smaller footprint communities have due to density, the smaller the impact. Waters talked about landscaping and the types of plants used. He also talked about energy consumption and the devices used for heating the building.

Downing explained he didn't respond to their phone calls because he answers to the voters first, and we didn't have a formal community engagement process. He asked if they would be willing to do two projects; one that is half the second and the original one we are discussing tonight if our Plan Commission put that in front of you.

Waters appreciated Downing's comments and talked about getting pushback from neighborhoods where the development is occurring. It doesn't mean that it isn't the right development. He understands the emotions and the impacts on the neighborhood. He talked about making the development complimentary to the neighborhood.

Downing asked again about doing two projects. Waters said that was a challenging question because it is out of the scope, and he doesn't know about the economics. Downing asked about their willingness to help the City find a compromise by doing two different projects. The Mayor interjected and said they have been asked to do this project, and we are putting them on the spot to ask this question. Downing understood but wanted to know their perspective because he felt we owe it to the citizens to exhaust all resources.

Gagne referenced an email he received from Three Sixty regarding single family housing in that location. He read a section stating that public infrastructure costs increase the costs of the lot to the extent that the lot becomes cost prohibitive for potential buyers. Gagne said the costs get passed down to the renters/buyers. He

continued reading, “the City has analyzed this option in the past and determined single family plats are not feasible at the site.” Gagne spoke further about costs and in defense of Three Sixty. He felt it was a tough question for them to answer without more research.

Bjerstedt looked up his project he referred earlier noting it was \$621,000 for the twin home not including land/landscaping. Again, you’re getting into structures that are hundreds of thousands of dollars each, and it just can’t happen. Gagne talked about his cousin buying an older twin homes for \$205,000 and making improvements. He couldn’t imagine what building a new one would cost.

**With no further comments, the Mayor asked for a vote. The roll call vote was 6-1 with all voting in favor except for Downing.**

Resolution No. 6508 - Approving a Development Agreement between the City of River Falls and 1 RF, LLC  
**MS Morrissette/Odeen move to approve resolution.** The Mayor asked for comments.

Odeen spoke in favor of renters. She talked about making an inclusive community and renters being a big part of that. We need to have housing for everyone not just people who can afford single family homes and that housing needs to be distributed throughout town. She is in favor of this. It will be a quality development with upscale apartments and feels it will be very desirable.

Downing talked about the Gerrard project not being an old plan. He doesn’t see why we can’t do both plans. He appreciates the value the project brings but doesn’t feel it represents the City the best.

Gagne agrees with Downing about the Gerrard project and provided further clarification about previous remarks. He asked the developer if they have had issues filling their properties due to Covid. Waters said vacancies have remained stable and delinquencies have only slightly increased. He talked about a new development being built during Covid that was already 67 percent leased on August 1 which was higher than projected.

Plunkett had questions on the developer’s agreement in Sections 4.2 and 4.3 regarding transfer of funds. Simpson said the developer’s agreement is when Council first makes commitments. Section 4.2 is a lump sum amount for public infrastructure paid to the developer which is paid back to the City through tax incremental financing. In Section 4.3, the City takes a credit for the sale of the lot and is committing to \$1.9 million of financing for the project. The new taxes from the project will pay for the infrastructure and the developmental incentive and the balance of increment will allow the City to pay for other projects. Plunkett asked if the payback was over 10 years. Simpson provided the amounts and talked further about Council’s policy on tax incremental financing, the financing and timeline. He noted the project is expected to generate almost \$5 million of increment to be used for other projects. Plunkett had a procedural question about approving items to which Simpson provided an answer. Plunkett asked about property tax caps. Simpson said the City has not met them as our Council has been more conservative. He provided further details on impacts and said the project was expected to ‘pay its own way.’ Simpson explained further TID details.

Downing expressed his concern about the lack of community engagement and wanted to work with Council in the future to improve it.

**With no other comments, the Mayor asked for a vote. The roll call vote passed 6-1 with all voting in favor except for Downing.**

Resolution No. 6509 - Approving a Purchase Agreement between the City of River Falls and 1 RF, LLC  
**MS Morrissette/Watson move to approve resolution. With no comments, the Mayor asked for a vote. The roll call vote passed 6-1 with all voting in favor except for Downing.**

Resolution No. 6510 - Creating Tax Incremental District No. 16, Approving its Project Plan and Establishing its Boundaries

**MS Gagne/Bjerstedt move to approve resolution.** The Mayor asked for comments.

Odeen told the commenters that they were heard but Council has a bigger picture in mind. The tax increment district serves two functions: 1) improving DeSanctis Park so it is accessible to more people; and 2) to encourage more housing for our workforce.

Gagne spoke in favor of tax increment financing. It is a great use to pay for other projects in the structure. It feels it is a benefit to the community. He is in favor of this.

Plunkett asked about assessments. Simpson said a citywide reassessment is done every few years and maintenance assessing is done each year. Simpson provided further details. Plunkett clarified that he was asking about street light installation or a sidewalk redo. Morrissette and Odeen answered that was a special assessment. Simpson said special assessments are used very little in River Falls and provided further detail. Odeen believed that since she has been on the Council, she thought special assessments have only been done once for a sewer improvement project.

Watson referred to the map on page 85 which shows the area of the TID and the ½ mile buffer that is the area within which by law we are allowed to fund projects using the TID. He said there is an opportunity to quadruple the size of DeSanctis Park. Watson is excited about the possibilities of this TID. Downing thanked Watson and appreciated his vision and also the other Councilor's views.

**With no comments, the Mayor asked for a vote. The roll call vote passed 6-1 with all voting in favor except for Downing.**

Resolution No. 6511 - Applying for Exemption from County Library Tax

**MS Watson/Gagne move to approve resolution.** The Mayor asked for comments.

Gagne asked if this is done yearly and why is it important. Simpson said yes, and under state law, everyone is entitled access to a library. Those who provide library services should be reimbursed by those who do not have library services. This is the mechanism in Wisconsin for the City to tell the counties that we have a library that meets the minimum requirements for library services, we are providing library services to our residents, and the county does not need to levy for library services. This resolution exempts City residents from the county tax for a library. Without this, we would lose a significant amount of funding for the library. Gagne said it makes sense to vote in favor. He talked about the City's library. **With no other comments, the Mayor asked for a vote. The roll call vote passed 7-0 with all voting in favor.**

## **REPORTS:**

Review of Resolution No. 6501 - Resolution Relating to the Covid-19 Public Health Emergency;

Recommending the Use of Face Coverings in Public in the City of River Falls

Odeen asked about how the pandemic was playing out in Pierce and St. Croix Counties. Assistant City Administrator Stroud met with health officials last Thursday. The activity level is still high but there are some preliminary conversations about the appropriate timeline for expanding upon gathering limits. There is some trending that they would like to continue to see for a couple for weeks. Odeen followed up asking about risks as students return to UWRP. Stroud said we are all on high alert. He talked about the schools intending on proceeding with fall sports.

Plunkett does not have a feeling of confidence with school restarting. He feels the risk to the community is rather large, and that it is time to consider looking at metrics to start implementing future restrictions to stop increased pandemic spread. He talked about a lawsuit to repeal the governor's mask order and felt the City would need to have a process in place to implement a mask order. He is interested in hearing what other Councilors think what metrics should exist to serve as a point for starting that process.



Administrator's Report

Simpson talked about the Mayor's video. He appreciated the Council's difficult decision and took notes. Gagne asked about a tree sale. Simpson would have to get back to him. He didn't believe that there would be many for public sale.

Odeen asked about losing the City Forester and replacement plans. Simpson provided an answer.

Morrisette asked about the problem with the splashpad. Stroud did not know but would find an answer. Morrisette said there had been a Facebook post.

Comptroller's Report for July 2020

Comptroller Odeen read the following: General Fund revenues through the end of July were \$5,422,245 or 49 percent of budgeted revenues. Revenues in the month July include \$299,992 in shared revenue (Wisconsin State Aid), and \$175,679 in transportation aids. Expenditures for the same period were \$5,413,750 or 49 percent of budgeted expenses. Net revenue over expenditures for the period ending July 31, 2020, is \$529,209.

Bjerstedt was proud of everyone saying the Council had a tough night, and everyone handled themselves very well.

**At 9:28 p.m., MS Bjerstedt/Odeen move to adjourn. The roll call vote passed 7-0 with all voting in favor.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kristi McKahan, Deputy Clerk