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**PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
February 9, 2016**

**PRESENT:** Aldermen Gierl, Mayr, Strzelczyk

**ALSO PRESENT:** City Administrator Jones, Assistant City Administrator Thyges, Kathy Pederson-  
President Mequon Community Foundation, John Wirth-Mequon Community  
Foundation Board Member, Executive Assistant Prosser

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mayr at 6:05 PM.

**Approval of the December 8, 2015 meeting minutes**

**Action:** Motion to approve the December 8, 2015 meeting minutes.  
(Strzelczyk/Gierl)

**Result:** Motion passed by voice acclamation.

**RESOLUTION 3354 – A Resolution to Observe International Migratory Bird Day**

Assistant City Administrator Thyges stated the City of Mequon has participated annually in Bird City Wisconsin since 2010. Mr. Thyges noted last year the renewal process was updated to require an annual adoption of a resolution to observe International Migratory Bird Day by the City's Common Council. Mr. Thyges mentioned the 2016 International Migratory Bird Day will be observed in conjunction with the City of Mequon's Arbor Day in April.

**Action:** Motion to approve Resolution 3354- A Resolution to Observe International Migratory Bird Day  
(Strzelczyk/Mayr)

**Result:** Motion passed by voice acclamation. Resolution 3354 recommended to Common Council for approval.

**Item for Discussion: Mequon Community Foundation Introductory Presentation**

John Wirth stated at a recent meeting of the Mequon Community Foundation Board, a discussion was held on how the Board may go about finding new projects within the community that would benefit from the Foundation's support. Mr. Wirth went on to say, the Board felt a place to start a discussion on potential community projects would be with the City. Mr. Wirth turned the presentation over to Kathy Pederson, President of the Mequon Community Foundation. Ms. Pederson stated the Foundation was originally started in May, 1999 by a Blue Ribbon Committee formed by former Mayor Christine Nuernberg. Ms. Pederson reviewed the Foundation's statement of philosophy and purpose and provided the Committee with handouts on recent projects, as well as reviewed a list of past projects the Foundation supported. The Committee went on to discuss ideas on possible projects for city parks and the Town Center. Ms. Pederson noted the Foundation's preference for highly visible projects that are permanent in nature and will provide a benefit to the community. Assistant City Administrator Thyges stated he received an e-mail from the president of the youth football organization regarding an interest to explore the installation of lights at Lemke Park. The Committee agreed to continue the discussion on potential projects with the members of the Mequon Community Foundation Board after the Foundation's meeting in April.

Chairman Mayr inquired whether the Committee had any future agenda topics. Alderman Gierl requested a follow up on several agenda items; enforcement deadlines, prohibited landscaping materials, discussion on

honesty requirements. Chairman Mayr asked staff to review the minutes of the past meetings to determine the status of the items.

**Adjourn**

**Action:** Motion to adjourn the meeting (Strzelczyk/Gierl)

**Result:** Motion passed by voice acclamation. Meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lina Prosser, Executive Assistant

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