



City of Manitowoc

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Meeting Minutes

Committee of the Whole

Monday, January 18, 2016

5:15 PM

Common Council Chambers City Hall

1. Call to Order

Council President McMeans called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Also present were City Attorney Kathleen McDaniel, Community Development Director Nic Sparacio

Present: 10 - McMeans, Brandel, Able, Hennessey, Sladky, Brey, Sitkiewitz, Soeldner, Schema and Nickels

Absent: 1 - Howe

3. Public Comment

Council President declared the meeting open for public input. In accordance with policy, the public input portion of the meeting is not made a part of the official record.

4. Discussion and Action Items

[16-0029](#) Communication from Friends of the Manitowoc Farmers Market, Inc. expressing their concerns regarding the future of the Manitowoc Farmers Market.

Attachments: [16-0029.pdf](#)

Moved by Sitkiewitz, seconded by Sladky, that this Communication be placed on file. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - McMeans, Brandel, Hennessey, Sladky, Brey, Sitkiewitz, Soeldner, Schema and Nickels

Nay: 1 - Able

City Attorney Kathleen McDaniel addressed the committee giving a brief history of the Farmers' Market. Community Development Director Nic Sparacio addressed the committee and answered questions.

[16-0030](#)

Discussion relative to Tourism Services Agreement between City of Manitowoc, City of Two Rivers and Manitowoc Area Visitor & Convention Bureau, Inc. which expires on December 31, 2016, as well as possible action relative to current Lease Agreement.

Attachments: [Amend 1.pdf](#)
[Services Agree.pdf](#)
[Lease Agree.pdf](#)

City Attorney Kathleen McDaniel gave an overview of the changes to the room tax allocation law. Finance Director Steve Corbelle discussed room tax collection and clarifies the percentages to the Visitor Information Center and the City. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Committee to investigate the creation of a Room Tax Commission composed of six members. Also speaking to the Committee was Jason Ring, director of the Manitowoc Area Visitor and Convention Bureau. (NOTE: Ord. 16-209 creating a room tax commission was adopted by Council on 3/21/16).

5. Adjournment

Moved by Brey, seconded by McMeans, that this be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - McMeans, Brandel, Able, Hennessey, Sladky, Brey, Sitkiewitz, Soeldner, Schema and Nickels