

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MONDAY, September 20, 2010

Committee of the Whole met at City Hall on Monday, September 20, 2010, at 6:15 p.m. in the 1st Floor Hearing Room - East.

The meeting was called to order by Council President Dave Soeldner.

Present: Mayor Justin M. Nickels, Alderpersons Jill Hennessey, Scott McMeans, James N. Brey, Christopher Able, Jason Sladky, Alex J. Olson, Nicholas P. Levendusky, Allan Schema and Dave Soeldner.

Absent: Alderperson Matt Kadow.

Also present: Deputy City Planner Paul Braun, Deputy City Clerk Deborah Neuser and Jamie Zastrow, Executive Director, Mainly Manitowoc.

Council President Dave Soeldner called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

Mayor Nickels presented for discussion the downtown facade program indicating that the City would match dollar for dollar with businesses for improvements made to their facade. Businesses would pay for improvements up front and be reimbursed by the City for half the cost through the general fund or TIF District.

Deputy City Planner Paul Braun stated that the facade program was a suggestion made by the consultants in their report to Mainly Manitowoc. Maps outlining the Main Street and TIF Districts were reviewed. It was noted that businesses want to improve their facade, they just need an incentive to do it.

Mayor Nickels noted that this is a three year business program with \$25,000.00 per year over three years and that as of now it will be on a first come/first serve basis.

Discussion followed and suggestions were made to improve the program. No action was taken but the committee will possibly review again in two or three weeks.

Meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Alderperson Dave Soeldner, Chairperson
Committee of the Whole

by: Deborah A. Neuser
Deputy City Clerk