



MINUTES

Common Council Regular Meeting

Tuesday, August 19, 2025 at 5:30PM

City Hall, 100 E Fountain St, Dodgeville, WI

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hottmann at 5:30pm. Members present: Shaun Sersch, Roxanne Reynolds-Lair, Jeff "Potsie" Weber, Jerry Johnson, Julie Johnson-Solberg, Larry Tremelling. Members absent: Tom DeVoss (excused), Mike Olson (excused)

City Hall Staff Present: Brandon Wilhelm (Dodgeville Police Chief), Dylan Wadzinski (Director of Public Works)

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes from 08/5/2025.

Motion by Sersch, second by Reynolds-Lair. Voice vote 6-0. Motion carried

2. Approval of Claims from 08/19/2025.

Motion by Sersch, second by Johnson-Solberg. Voice vote 6-0. Motion carried

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT *Citizen or delegation presentations, requests or comments and discussion of same, pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sec. 19.83 (2) and Sec. 19.84 (2). Ten minute limit except by consent of council. No action will be taken on any item that is not specifically listed on the agenda.*

V. REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

3. Clerk/Treasurer Report

There was no clerk/treasurer report

4. Mayor Report

During the Mayor report, Mayor Hottmann noted the passing of Assistant Library Director, Carol Murphy. To honor Carol, City Hall will be closing at 3pm on Wednesday, August 20th to allow staff to attend her visitation and pay tribute to the work she did for the City of Dodgeville when working as an employee of the library.

A council member asked about when City Hall staff will be out of the current City Hall. Mayor Hottmann is suspecting that this will likely be the second week of September, due to the new administration building not being ready for occupancy.

Regarding the current library situation, Mayor Hottmann notes that beginning Wednesday, August 20th, East Fountain Street will be shut down. Alliant Energy will be onsite on Wednesday to stage a truck due to a power pole located on site in which there is a concern of it tipping over. Mayor Hottmann also notes that the library project is on a lull due to materials not being available.

The Law Enforcement Center has already been reserved for the Council Meeting on 9/16/25.

Regarding the new City Hall, things are moving along. Drywall, painting, etc are completed. Ceiling will be started on Monday, 8/25. Roof is done. Just needs fascia and soffit. Tree removal will be completed soon.

Due to rumors and mis-information being shared publicly, Mayor Hottmann will send a statement on behalf of the City of Dodgeville to the Dodgeville Chronicle to be posted with the minutes from August 19th.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

5. Discussion and possible action to approve the Special Event license application for the Upland Hills Health Home Care and Hospice Event on Wednesday, September 3rd.

Upland Hills Home Care and Hospice has been moved to the old clinic on Fountain Street, so they would like to host an open house at the empty lot next to their new location to allow members from the public to come and see their new location.

Motion by Weber, second by Tremelling to approve the Special Event license for the Upland Hills Health Home Care and Hospice event on Wednesday September 3rd. Voice vote 6-0. Motion carried.

6. Consider Ordinance No. 25-18 to Amend the Schedule of Penalties in Section 25.04(f) relating to forfeiture amounts for violations of section 14.07 and Chapters 15, 16, 16A, 17, 19, 20, and 21 of the Municipal Code.

DPW Wadzinski noted that there have been some violations to the zoning code recently, so he along with City Attorney Hagen is proposing to amend the Schedule of Penalties in the Municipal Code so that when violations occur in the future. An example that Wadzinski spoke about when referencing these violations was when someone is building a fence on their property. City law states that the finished side of the fence should be facing outward, however, there have been times when the finished side is facing inward towards the residents' house. In these cases, fines must be issued, and passing this amendment to the Schedule of Penalties will allow for these fines to be issued.

Motion by Johnson, second by Sersch to approve Amending the Schedule of Penalties in section 25.04(f). Voice vote 6-0. Motion carried.

7. Discussion and possible action to fill Public Works Mechanic Position.

Motion by Reynolds-Lair, second by Weber to approve posting and filling Public Works Mechanic Position. Voice Vote 6-0. Motion carried.

8. Discussion and possible action to add high resolution camera to the city brush and compost pile.

There have been notable issues with residents dropping off garbage, appliances, etc at the City brush and compost pile. A high-resolution camera is being proposed to view the main entrance of this brush/compost pile so that violators can be penalized. Other suggestions to help prevent these issues in the future are creating better signage, completing/re-doing roads near the cemetery, etc.

Motion by Sersch, second by Weber to approve adding high resolution camera to the city brush and compost pile. Voice vote 6-0. Motion carried.

9. Discussion and possible action to approve Change Order #2 from Rule Construction relating to the reconstruction of Fountain St.
Wadzinski states that Vierbicher noticed there was some contamination along the street from numerous years ago. This change order would allow construction to move forward as if there was contamination, instead of reactively correcting this in the future.
Motion by Weber, second by Johnson-Solberg to approve Change Order #2 from Rule Construction relating to the reconstruction of Fountain St. Voice Vote 6-0. Motion carried.
10. Consideration of a recommendation from Plan Commission to approve the proposed Certified Survey Map for the subdivision of property currently owned by Lands End located in the NE 1/4 of section 21, T6N, R3E, City of Dodgeville (Parcel # 216-1070.1)
Hennessey Implement is purchasing a parcel of land from Lands End to allow expansion as well as subdivide into multiple lots. Request for this has already been approved at the Plan Commission meeting on 8/14, so Wadzinski is just looking for final approval from Council.
Motion by Johnson, second by Weber to approve proposed CSM for subdivision of property currently owned by Lands End located in the NE ¼ of section 21, T6N, R3E, City of Dodgeville (Parcel # 216-1070.1). Voice vote 6-0. Motion carried.

VII. ANY OTHER BUSINESS AS ALLOWED BY LAW

VIII. ADJOURN

11. Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Sersch, second by Johnson

Time: 6:05pm