



PUBLIC NOTICE

Common Council Special Meeting

Tuesday, September 30, 2025 at 5:30 PM

City Hall, 100 E Fountain St, Dodgeville, WI 53533

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hottmann at 5:30pm. Members present: Reynolds-Lair, Sersch, DeVoss, Weber, Olson, Johnson-Solberg, Tremelling. Members absent: Johnson

Community Members Present: Michelle Godez-Schilling, Claudia Looze, Anthony Wood, Rachel Keller, Melissa Brennum, Jason Reed, and Aaron Boehnen.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes from September 16, 2025.

Motion by DeVoss, second by Sersch to approve minutes from September 16, 2025 meeting.

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.

During public comment, Dodgeville residents and some living outside of the City of Dodgeville spoke to the council with recommendations transitioning the role of Mayor from a part-time role to a full-time role. Also, during public comment, another community resident also spoke to the council with his recommendation of full-time administrator and part-time mayor.

V. OLD BUSINESS

2. Discussion and possible action to approve a moving company to assist with the transition to the new administration building.

Motion by DeVoss, second by Weber to approve moving estimate from Hollandale Movers to assist with transition to new administration building. Roll Call Vote 7-0. Motion carries.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

3. Consideration and possible action of a recommendation from the Administration & Personnel Committee to approve setting the 2026 employer health insurance contribution rate for non-represented employees.

Motion by Johnson-Solberg, second by DeVoss to approve setting the 2026 employer health insurance contribution rate for non-represented employees to 82%. Voice vote 7-0.

4. Consideration and possible action of a recommendation from the Administration & Personnel Committee to set the 2026 Cost of Living Adjustment for non-represented employees.

Motion by DeVoss, second by Reynolds-Lair to set the 2026 Cost of Living Adjustment for non-represented employees to 2.8%. Voice vote 7-0.

5. Discussion and possible action of a recommendation from the Administration and Personnel Committee on adding another streets crew position.

Motion by Weber, second by Olson to move forward with filling two street crew positions. Voice Vote 7-0.

6. Discussion and possible direction on governance structure, including moving forward with either a full-time Mayor or a full-time City Administrator with a part-time Mayor

During this discussion, Mayor Hottmann recused himself to allow council members to have an open and honest discussion about their thoughts of either a full-time Mayor and/or Full-Time Administrator and part-time Mayor. During this discussion, no action was taken, however, several council members showed support towards a part-time mayor with a full-time administrator. After hearing all ideas/thoughts from council members, it was decided that this topic would be discussed at future Admin & Personnel meetings, eventually likely ending up as a closed session item on a future council agenda(s).

Motion by Olson, second by Reynolds-Lair to discuss full-time Administrator and part-time Mayor role to Administration & Personnel committee, with eventual return to Closed Session Common Council. Voice Vote 7-0. Motion Carried.

VII. CLOSED SESSION

7. Adjourn to Closed Session pursuant to Wis. State Statute 19.85(1)(c) to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, specifically related to compensation and benefits of the public works streets foreman and past employee payout.

Motion by Olson, second by Johnson-Solberg to adjourn to Closed Session.

VIII. OPEN SESSION

8. Reconvene to Open Session
9. Any Action Needed as a Result of Closed Session

IX. ADJOURN

10. Motion to Adjourn
Motion by Weber, second by Johnson-Solberg
Time 6:51pm

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