

Common Council  
April 15, 2025  
Notes

**I. Call to order and roll call**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hottmann. PRESENT: Mayor Hottmann, Shaun Sersch, Roxanne Reynolds-Lair, Tom DeVoss, Jeff “Potsie” Weber, Mike Olson, Jerry Johnson, Julie Johnson-Solberg, Larry Tremelling

Others present: Lisa Schnedler (Upland Hills), Jim Massey (Upland Hills), Dalton Thomas (Community Member), Karl Pustina (Upland Hills)

City Hall Staff present: Carrie Portz (Library Director), Brandon Wilhelm (Dodgeville PD), Greg Lee (Public Works Director), Dylan Wadzinski (Assistant DPW)

**II. Pledge of allegiance**

**III. Oaths, Elections and Appointments**

- a. Swearing in of newly elected officials – Council member Tom DeVoss, Julie Johnson-Solberg, Shaun Sersch, and Mike Olson were sworn in by Deputy Clerk Emily Wolfe.
- b. Election of Council President – Nomination by Tom DeVoss to elect Shaun Sersch as council president. Nomination by Julie Johnson-Solberg to elect Roxanne Reynolds-Lair as council president. Mayor Hottmann called for vote by council. 5 votes were given to Shaun Sersch and 3 votes were given to Roxanne Reynolds-Lair. Motion by DeVoss to approve Sersch as council president. Second by Tremelling.
- c. Appointments of 2025-2026 Boards, Committees, and Commissions – Mayor Hottmann reviewed the committee and commission appointments. Motion by Weber, Second by Johnson to approve the Council appointments.

**IV. Consent Agenda**

Motion by DeVoss, Second by Johnson to approve the following consent agenda.

- a. Approval of Minutes from April 2, 2025
- b. Approval of Claims from April 15, 2025

**V. Public Comment- None**

**VI. Presentation**

- a. Upland Hills Health Presentation (Lisa Schnedler & Jim Massey)

Plans were presented by Lisa Schnedler and Jim Massey for the assisted living facility they are planning to build. One facility will be for high needs care (24/7 round the clock care) and the other facility will be for regular assisted living. Once these two facilities are completed, Crestridge will be converted to all memory care. Plans for these two new facilities will break ground Summer 2025.

**VII. Reports/Recommendations**

- a. Mayor Report

Mayor Hottmann reports that a roundtable was held in Dodgeville on April 8<sup>th</sup> with 8 different legislatures from the state of WI. A member of Channel 3000’s team was there, and interviewed Mayor Hottmann separately for a segment called For the Record.

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Mayor Hottmann also reports that Chief Whitehouse, Julia Oellerich, and Mayor Hottmann gathered together to complete a congressional earmark for a regional training tower. If this earmark is approved, \$1 million will be awarded towards this tower, however, location of tower is to be determined.

**VIII. Proclamation**

- a. Child Abuse Prevention Day: April 26, 2025
- b. Arbor Day 2025 – April 25, 2025

Mayor Hottmann proclaimed April 26, 2025 as Child Abuse Prevention Day. Mayor Hottmann also proclaimed April 25, 2025 as Arbor Day in the City of Dodgeville.

**IX. New Business**

- a. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution 2025-04: Designating Official Newspaper

Motion by DeVoss, Second by Weber to approve the Dodgeville Chronicle as the Official Newspaper for the City of Dodgeville.

- b. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution 2025-05: Designation of Public Depositories

Motion by Reynolds-Lair, Second by Olson to approve Resolution 2025-05: Designation of Public Depositories, with the caveat that local entities like BMO Harris will be considered to be part of these depositories, since BMO Harris has a local branch office within the City of Dodgeville.

- c. Discussion and possible action to approve an agreement with the WI Economic Development Corporation for the Community Development Investment Vibrant Spaces Grant

Motion by Johnson-Solberg, Second by Weber to approve the Community Development Investment Vibrant Spaces Grant. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried 8-0.

- d. Discussion and possible action to approve a contract with HGA for the architectural design and construction document creation services for the library remodel and addition

Motion by Reynolds-Lair, Second by DeVoss to approve contract with HGA for the architectural design and construction document creation services for the library remodel and addition, contingent on add on's from Attorney Eric Hagen. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried 8-0

- e. Discussion and possible action regarding bids for Phase 2 of the Dodgeville Administrative Building

Motion by DeVoss, Second by Weber to approve bids for Phase 2 of the Dodgeville Administrative Building, not to exceed \$1,678,080. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried 8-0

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- f. Discussion and possible action to approve an amended agreement with Daniels Construction as related to Phase 1 of the Dodgeville Administration Building project

Motion by Reynolds-Lair, Second by Johnson-Solberg to table Discussion and possible action to approve an amended agreement with Daniels Construction as related to Phase 1 of Dodgeville Administration Building project to next meeting (May 6<sup>th</sup>)

- g. Discussion and possible action on promoting a part-time EMT to full-time EMT to fill a full-time position resignation.

Motion by Tremelling, Second by Reynolds-Lair to approve promoting a part-time EMT to full-time EMT to fill a full-time position resignation.

- h. Discussion and possible action to fill Public Works crew position

Motion by Johnson-Solberg, Second by Weber to approve action to fill Public Works crew position, previously filled by Gene Dougherty, whose last day will be Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>.

**X. Old Business**

- a. Discussion and possible action to approve a water tower lease with MH Telecom, LLC doing business as MHTC (tabled from February 19, 2025)

Motion by DeVoss, Second by Johnson to table water tower lease with MHTC to next meeting (May 6<sup>th</sup>)

**XI. Adjourn**

- a. Motion to adjourn

Motion by Weber, Second by Olson to adjourn the meeting. Time 6:50pm