



MINUTES

Common Council Regular Meeting

Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 5:30 PM

City Hall, 100 E Fountain St, Dodgeville, WI

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I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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

II. OATHS OF OFFICE & APPOINTMENTS

1. *Swearing in of Newly Elected Officials* - Mayor Hottman and Council members were sworn in by Clerk Aulik.
2. *Election of Council President* - Nomination by Reynolds-Lair, second by Sersch to elect Dan Meuer as Council President. No other nominations were made. Motion by Tremelling, second by Johnson to close the nominations and pass a unanimous vote to elect Dan Meuer as Council President. Voice vote. Motion carried 8-0
3. *2024-2025 Boards, Commissions & Committee Appointments* - Mayor Hottmann reviewed the committee and commission appointments. Motion by Meuer, second by DeVoss to approve the Council appointments.
4. *Swearing in of Chief of Police Wilhelm and Sergeant Blake Weier* - Clerk Aulik swore in Chief of Police Wilhelm and Sergeant Blake Weier.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by DeVoss, second by Weber to approve the following consent agenda. Voice vote. Motion carried 8-0.

5. Approval of Minutes from April 3, 2024
6. Approval of a Temporary Class "B" License for the Dairyland Dare event on August 3, 2024
7. Approval of Claims from April 16, 2024
General - \$259,140.09, Water - \$306,254.31, Sewer - \$252,892.98 = \$818,287.38

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

V. REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

8. Open Book: April 29th via phone 11 am -6 pm; Board of Review: May 20th 3-5 pm

VI. PUBLIC HEARING

9. *Review of proposed Future Land Use Map Amendment* for a parcel of land located South of the intersect of South Ellwood St and Orchard Ridge Rd. The proposed amendments would adjust land use boundaries to better reflect existing conditions and also to include planned residential uses within the property.
10. *Public Comment* - No public comment was heard.
11. *Motion to adjourn the Public Hearing.* Motion by Meuer, second by Reynolds to close the public hearing. Vice vote. Motion carried 8-0.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

12. *Discussion and possible action to approve Ordinance 2024-01: Adopting an Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan for the City of Dodgeville.* Motion by DeVoss, second by Johnson-Solberg to approve Ordinance 2024-01: Adopting an Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan for the City of Dodgeville. Voice vote. Motion carried 8-0.
13. *Consideration of a recommendation from Plan Commission to approve a rezone request from Victoria Stangel for a 1 acre portion of parcel 216-0080 located south of the intersection of Ellwood St and Orchard Ridge Rd. The request is to rezone the 1-acre lot from A-G (Agricultural) to R-1(1 & 2 Family Residential).* Motion by DeVoss, second by Tremelling to approve the rezone request for Victorial Stangel to rezone 1 acre of parcel 216-0080 to R-1. Voice vote. Motion carried 7-0 (1 abstention: Reynolds-Lair).
14. *Consideration of a request from the Fire Department for approval of door replacement and bay floor work.* Chief Whitehouse present bids for door and bay floor replacement. Motion by DeVoss, second by Johnson-Solberg to spend up to \$20K to replace 2 bay floors with Midwest Concrete. Roll call vote. Motion carried 8-0. Chief Whitehouse would like to use \$8,500 of budgeted carryover for door replacement. Motion by Meuer to approve the quote from Otter Creek for \$8,408 to complete two doors, second by Weber. Roll call vote. Motion carried 8-0.
15. *Consideration of a request from Public Works to extend the loader lease.* The current loader lease is up and DPW Lee presented a quote to extend the loader lease for 2 years with minimal cost different from the current lease. Motion by Weber, second by Johnson to extend the loader lease for 2 years. Roll call vote. Motion Carried 8-0.

16. *2024 Arbor Day Proclamation.* DPW Lee stated that the City will be planting trees on Oakham Lawn on April 26th and anyone is welcome to join. Mayor Hottmann proclaimed April 26, 2024 as Arbor Day in the City.
17. *Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution 2024-03: Designation of Public Depositories.* Motion by Johnson-Solberg, second by DeVoss to approve Resolution 2024-03: Designation of Public Depositories. Voice vote. Motion carried 8-0.
18. *Discussion and possible action of Resolution 2024-04: Designating Official Newspaper.* Motion by Reynolds-Lair, second by Tremelling to approve Resolution 2024-04: Designation of Official Newspaper. Voice vote. Motion carried 8-0.
19. *Consideration of a request from the Police Chief for pre-approval to purchase a police vehicle.* Chief Wilhelm has a budgeted vehicle that may arrive in August but would like to add an additional vehicle that could be used more for training and conferences since they are behind on their vehicle replacement schedule. There are carryover funds available. Motion by Tremelling, second by Meuer to approve the Police Chief purchasing an additional vehicle up to \$43K. Motion amended to approve the Police Chief purchasing an additional vehicle up to \$43K with Mayor approval. Roll call vote. Motion carried 8-0.
20. *Consideration of a recommendation from the Police & Fire Commission relating to Police Chief salary and benefits.* Motion by Meuer, second by Weber to approve set the Police Chief salary at the same rate as the outgoing police chief and with 20 years of service. Roll call vote. Motion carried 8-0.
21. *Discussion and possible action to fill the Lieutenant position at the Police Department.* Motion by Reynolds-Lair, second by Johnson to approve filling the Lieutenant position and approve the job description {as presented}. Voice vote. Motion carried 8-0.

VIII. CLOSED SESSION

22. *Consideration of adjourning to closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. sec. 19.85(1)(e), which permits convening in closed session for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, for consideration of a recommendation from the Police and Fire Commission on the salary range for a Police Lieutenant position.* Motion by Johnson-Solberg, second by Meuer to adjourn to

closed session pursuant to Wis Stat sec 19.85(1)(e) and to allow Chief Wilhelm and Attorney Hagen to remain. Roll call vote. Motion carried 8-0.

IX. OPEN SESSION

23. *Reconvene to Open Session.* Motion by Johnson, second by Reynolds-Lair to reconvene to open session. Voice vote. Motion carried 8-0.

24. *Any Action Needed as a Result of Closed Session.* Motion by Sersch, second by Reynolds-Lair to post the Lieutenant at \$75-85K. Voice vote motion carried 8-0.

X. ADJOURN

25. *Motion to Adjourn.* Motion by Weber, second by Johnson-Solberg to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote. Motion carried 8-0. Time: 6:28 pm