



COMMON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

February 25, 2025 at 6:30 PM

303 Mansion Street Mauston, WI

1. **Call to Order/Roll Call:** The Mauston Common Council was called to order on February 25, 2025, at 6:30 pm by Council President Rick Noe. Attending members were Barb Hoilien, Jim Allaby, Rick Noe, Courtney Ray, Donna McGinley, and Leanna Hagen. Absent were Mary Bender and Mayor Darryl Teske. Administrator Daron Haugh, Public Works Director Rob Nelson, Police Chief Mike Zilisch, and Deputy Clerk Nicole Lyddy were also present.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Council President Rick Noe led the pledge.
3. **Public Hearing:** Council President opened the public hearing at 6:31 pm to consider a Conditional Use Permit request submitted by CMK Properties, LLC to build a retail store over 10,000 sq ft, which is considered a Group Development. The property is located in the Planned Business (PB) District at 100 Powers Avenue. No one from the public appeared. Motion made by Ray, seconded by Hagen to close the public hearing. Motion carried at 6:33 pm.
4. **Conditional Use Permit 2025-P-03:** Motion made by Hoilien, seconded by Ray to approve Conditional Use Permit 2025-P-03 for CMK Properties, LLC. Motion carried.
5. **Minutes:** Motion made by Ray, seconded by Hoilien to approve the minutes of February 11, 2025. Motion carried.
6. **Citizens Address to the Council:** None
7. **Public Works Committee:**
 - a. **Remote Lift Stations and Water Sites Phase II:** Motion made by Hagen, seconded by Allaby to approve Van Ert Electric, Inc. bid of \$1,247,955.00. Motion carried by roll call vote.
8. **Reports from Committees, Boards, and Commissions:** McGinley gave a brief summary of the **Mauston Ambulance** January report, noting a total of 223 calls, with 63 occurring in Mauston. Hagen informed the council that the **Greater Mauston Tourism Committee** has approved funding of up to \$60,000 for holiday lights on the light poles and in Riverside Park.
9. **Finance and Purchasing Committee Report:**
 - a. **Vouchers:** Motion made by Hoilien, seconded by Ray to approve the vouchers of \$2,505,962.76. Motion carried by roll call vote.

- 10. Police Chief's Report:** Chief Zilisch presented his January, yearly, and annual reports to the council. With a full staff now in place, he plans to focus on traffic compliance. He emphasized the importance of self-initiated activities performed by officers while on duty, including traffic stops, ordinance enforcement, building checks, community-oriented policing contacts, and citizen interactions.
- Additionally, Chief Zilisch highlighted the You Are Not Alone program, launched in 2024 by the Mauston Police Department. This free service provides scheduled phone check-ins for senior citizens, disabled individuals, or anyone who may benefit from regular contact.
- 11. City Council Report:** None
- 12. Mayor's Report:** None
- 13. City Administrator's Report**
- a. **Mastermold CSM:** Motion made by McGinley, seconded by Ray to approve Mastermold CSM. Motion carried.
 - b. Haugh mentioned that the **recognition of police officers** for their years of service will take place at the Police and Fire Commission meeting on February 27. Council members are encouraged to attend.
- 14. Closed Session:** Motion made by Allaby, seconded by Hagen to go into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1)(e) for a Proposed townhome development project at the intersection of Tremi Dr. and Herriot Dr. Motion carried by roll call vote at 6:59 pm.
- 15. Reconvene in Open Session:** Motion made by Hagen, seconded by Allaby to go into open session. Motion carried at 7:33 pm.
- 16. Result of Closed Session Matters:** Nothing to report in open session.
- 17. Adjourn:** Motion made by Hagen, seconded by Hoilien to adjourn. Motion carried at 7:34 pm.