

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Monday, October 27, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Council Chambers - City Hall, 3rd Floor 1717 E. Park Street, Two Rivers, WI 54241

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Stechmesser called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL BY DEPUTY CITY CLERK

Councilmembers: Doug Brandt, Shannon Derby, Bill LeClair, Darla LeClair, Tim Petri, Bonnie Shimulunas, Scott Stechmesser, Adam Wachowski, Mark Bittner (via telephone)

Also Present: Kasandra Paider, Finance Director; Matthew Heckenlaible, Public Works Director; Jeff Sachse, Community Development Director; Ben Meinnert, Police Chief; Jeff Dawson, Library Director; Terry Ehle, Library Youth Services Coordinator; David Murack, Fire Chief; Mike Mathis, Parks and Recreation Director; Brian Dellemann, Electric Utility Director; Andrew Sukowaty, Water Utility Director; Rick Powell, IT Supervisor; Kyle Kordell, City Manager; Sean Griffin, City Attorney (via telephone)

4. CONSIDERATION OF ANY COUNCIL MEMBER REQUESTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING FROM A REMOTE LOCATION

Motion passed with a roll call vote.

Motion made to allow Councilmember Bittner to participate from a remote location by Brandt, seconded by B. LeClair

Voting Yea: Derby, B. LeClair, Brandt, Shimulunas, Stechmesser, Wachowski, D. LeClair

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Discussion of Community Investment / Infrastructure and Equipment Demands

Department heads gave brief overviews of their departments' future capital, equipment, and annual funding needs.

B. Discussion of a Resolution Reaffirming the City's Commitment to Financial Sustainability and Responsible Debt Management with a Self Imposed Debt Cap

City Manager Kordell reintroduced the Council to the City's commitment, adopted in 2007, to voluntarily maintain a higher standard of fiscal discipline and conservative borrowing than that required by the State of Wisconsin's statutory debt limits.

C. Discussion of an Ordinance to Create Chapters 2-7-16 of the Municipal Code Establishing a Policy for Responsible Capital Borrowing

^{**}Deputy Clerk Note: Councilmember Petri arrived at 6:02 PM.**

City Manager Kordell introduced a financial policy that would link the City's annual plan for capital borrowing directly to the equalized assessed property values.

D. Tour and Discussion of Aging City Hall Parking Deck Issues

Staff led a tour of the City Hall underground parking deck to highlight infrastructure issues that will need to be addressed in the next two or three years.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of this meeting and adjourn at 7:58 PM.

Motion passed with a voice vote.

Motion made by Wachowski, seconded by Derby.

All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by,

Valerie L. Vanderlich

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Deputy City Clerk