

**Common Council Minutes
Tuesday January 7, 2025**

Mayor McFarland called the regular meeting of the City of Watertown Common Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday January 7, 2025. This meeting was open for attendance in the council chambers as well as virtually.

ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following Alderpersons present: Ald. Davis, Lampe, Board, Bartz, Blanke, Smith, Schmid, Wetzel and Moldenhauer. City staff present were City Attorney Steven T. Chesebro (virtual), Police Chief David Brower, Finance Director Mark Stevens, Zoning Administrator Brian Zirbes (virtual), and City Clerk Megan Dunneisen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING

Mayor McFarland inquired if there were additions or corrections to minutes of the Common Council meeting held Tuesday December 17, 2024. There being none, minutes were accepted as presented.

COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT

Eric Kluge of 915 Casey Dr. spoke on stormwater concerns for the Greomar development seeking follow up.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor McFarland opened the public hearing to Amend Chapter 550 - Bielinski Hunter Oaks Planned Development (PD) Area Cb - General Development Plan (GDP) at 7:04 p.m., there being no further comment, Mayor McFarland closed the public hearing at 7:04 p.m.

REPORTS

(Complete minutes are open for public inspection in the Finance Department.)

The following reports were received and filed: Plan Commission minutes from December 9, 2024, Public Works Minutes from December 10, 2024, DTMSTF Minutes from December 17, 2024.

COMMUNICATIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

Mayor McFarland gave a bridge update.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Payroll Summary - November 27, 2024 to December 10, 2024 and Cash & Investments - November 30, 2024 were presented.

ORDINANCES

Ord. 24-33 - Amend Chapter 550 Official Zoning Map of the City of Watertown through the amendments of language to Sections §550-38, §550-39, §550-40, §550-41; §550-42, §550-43, and §550-150, and §550-152 and to Chapter 532: Flood Plain and Shoreland-Wetland Zoning Code (Sponsor: Mayor McFarland From: Plan Commission, Second Reading). Ald. Davis moved for adoption of ordinance 24-33 on its second reading, seconded by Ald. Lampe and carried by roll call vote: Yes-9; No-0; Abstain-0.

Ord. 24-34 - Amend Chapter 500-3(B), Stop Intersections of the City of Watertown General Ordinances (Sponsor: Ald. Davis From: Public Safety & Welfare Committee, Second Reading). Ald. Blanke moved for adoption of ordinance 24-34 on its second reading, seconded by Ald. Bartz and carried by roll call vote: Yes-8; No-1(Schmid); Abstain-0.

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT

No comments were received.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Ald. Moldenhauer moved to adjourn, seconded by Ald. Schmid, and carried by unanimous voice vote at 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Dunneisen, City Clerk

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