

Common Council Meeting

Whitewater Municipal Building Community Room, 312 West Whitewater St., Whitewater, WI 53190 *In Person and Virtual

Tuesday, September 02, 2025 - 6:00 PM

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AGENDA

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Singer called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Council President Patrick Singer Councilmember Greg Majkrzak Councilmember Michael M.Smith Councilmember Orin O.Smith Councilmember Steven Sahyun Councilmember Brian Schanen Councilmember Neil Hicks

City Manager, John Weidl City Attorney, Steven Chesebro Public Works Director, Brad Marquardt City Clerk, Heather Boehm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A councilmember can choose to remove an item from the agenda or rearrange its order; however, introducing new items to the agenda is not allowed. Any proposed changes require a motion, a second, and approval from the Council to be implemented. The agenda shall be approved at each meeting even if no changes are being made at that meeting.

Motion to Approve the Agenda with item #1 and #16 to move right after Hearing of Citizen Comments. Remove item #2 off of the Consent Agenda. Move item #12 and #15 into the Consent Agenda. made by Councilmember Hicks, Seconded by Councilmember Majkrzak.

Voting Yea: Council President Singer, Councilmember Majkrzak, Councilmember M.Smith, Councilmember O.Smith, Councilmember Sahyun, Councilmember Schanen, Councilmember Hicks

PRESENTATION

Presentation on Stormwater Case Study by Ehlers.
 Brian Raymer from Ehlers gave a presentation on the Stormwater Case Study.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the Consent Agenda will be approved together unless any council members requests that an item be removed for individual consideration.

Motion to approve the amended Consent Agenda, with item #2 being removed and items #12 and #15 added made by Councilmember Majkrzak, Seconded by Councilmember Hicks.

Voting Yea: Council President Singer, Councilmember Majkrzak, Councilmember M.Smith, Councilmember O.Smith, Councilmember Sahyun, Councilmember Hicks Voting Abstaining: Councilmember Schanen

- 2. Approval of Common Council Meeting Minutes from August 19, 2025.
- 3. Equal Opportunities Commission Meeting Minutes from May 14, 2025.
- 4. Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes from July 21, 2025.
- 5. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes from July 22, 2025.
- 6. Park and Rec Committee Meeting Minutes from July 16, 2025
- 7. Urban Forestry Meeting Minutes from February 24, 2025
- 8. Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes from June 12, 2025
- 9. Alcohol Committee Meeting Minutes from August 5, 2025.
- 10. July 2025 Financials

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager John Weidl gave his bi-monthly update of City events and accomplishments, including reports from the following departments: Public Works, Police Department, Fire Department, Economic Development, Library, Parks & Rec, Human Resources, and Media Services.

11. City Manager Report.

STAFF REPORTS

This item was moved to the Consent Agenda.

12. Survey Updates- City Manager

HEARING OF CITIZEN COMMENTS

No formal Council action will be taken during this meeting although issues raised may become a part of a future agenda. Participants are allotted a three minute speaking period. Specific items listed on the agenda may not be discussed at this time; however, citizens are invited to speak to those specific issues at the time the Council discusses that particular item.

To make a comment during this period, or during any agenda item: On a computer or handheld device, locate the controls on your computer to raise your hand. You may need to move your mouse to see these controls. On a traditional telephone, dial *6 to unmute your phone and dial *9 to raise your hand.

Mary Krkljus spoke on an Olympic style watercourse on our lakes.

RESOLUTION

13. A Resolution Directing Whitewater Lakes Advisory Committee To Study And Document Resident's Interest In Creation Of Lake District. - **City Manager**

No formal action was taken.

CONSIDERATIONS

14. Discussion and Possible Action regarding the denial of Beverage Operator's License for Maxwell Sztuk - **City Clerk**

Motion to uphold the denial made by Councilmember Hicks, Seconded by Councilmember O.Smith.

Voting Yea: Council President Singer, Councilmember Majkrzak, Councilmember M.Smith, Councilmember O.Smith, Councilmember Sahyun, Councilmember Schanen, Councilmember Hicks

- 15. Discussion and Possible Action regarding a 90 day extension of MOU with University of Whitewater for parking **Finance**
- 16. Discussion and Possible Action regarding approval of rate increase for the Stormwater Utility.- **Finance**

No formal action made.

Bring back to council with the proposition with the numbers blank so Council can fill them in.

Staff to bring samples of context in the total utility bills.

Smooth out the 10 years to show, we're making all of the years the same as possible. Speak to businesses on the top 10 list and let them know what is happening.

Detailed explanation of the work that's being done, that's being borrowed for. Explanation with different type of residents and examples of how it may affect them.

17. Councilmember Requests for Future Agenda Items or Committee items. Questions

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- 18. Fire Department Training Facility.- Q4
- 19. Survey Updates Q3
- 20. Rezone of Lincoln, Washington, and Whitewater High schools- Q3
- 21. Cigarette, Tobacco, Electronic Vape license hearings held at ALC- Schanen Q3
- 22. Update on Starin Park Water Tower plans- O. Smith Q1 2026

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made at 7:21pm made by Councilmember O.Smith, Seconded by Councilmember Schanen.

Voting Yea: Council President Singer, Councilmember Majkrzak, Councilmember M.Smith, Councilmember O.Smith, Councilmember Sahyun, Councilmember Schanen, Councilmember Hicks

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2023-2025 City of Whitewater's 5 strategic goals: Build single-family homes, Communicate with the community without the newspaper, Support a thriving business community, Recruitment and retention efforts with a focus on diversity, and Prioritization of expenditures with available resources.