Common Council
MEETING MINUTES

April 11, 2023 - 6:04 PM
City Hall Council Chambers

Please note: Minutes are unofficial until approved at the next regular scheduled meeting.

MINUTES

1. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

None.

2. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Ament called the Common Council meeting to order at 6:24 PM.
Mayor Ament led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL; DECLARATION OF QUORUM; PUBLIC NOTICE

Rubina Medina took the roll call as follows:
Present: Alderperson Kroupa, Alderperson Horbinski, Alderperson Stribl, Alderperson Hopkins, Alderperson Garrigues, Alderperson Maxey, Alderperson Harenda
Excused: None
Staff Present: City Attorney Mark Blum, City Clerk Rubina Medina

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. March 28, 2023 Common Council Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Motion to approve

VOTE: Motion by: Kroupa
Second by: Harenda
Motion Passed: 7-0

5. REPORTS

A. City Clerk

Rubina R. Medina stated that the overall voter participation for the Spring Election was 58%. It was the highest turnout in the last 8 years for a Spring Election. The Spring Primary had a voter participation turnout of 36% in February. Thank you to the City Staff and pollworkers for all their hard work. Planning is already underway for the 2024 election year. Also, liquor license renewals have been mailed out to all establishments. The deadline to file paperwork is this Friday.

B. Council President

No Report.

C. Mayor

Congratulations to National Karate for being named Business of the Month for April.
On April 14th, the New Berlin Police & Fire will be playing the Waukesha Police & Fire. Game time is at 7PM at CMH.
April 14th is the deadline to nominate a city employee for the John Bauer award for municipal excellence.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

7. BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

A. ITEM 05-23 Recommendation to Common Council for the Approval of the 2023 LRIP Roadway Rehabilitation and Inspection Contract

MOTION: Motion to approve.

VOTE: Motion by: Horbinski
Second by: Stribl
Motion 7-0

8. PARKS, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMISSION

A. Prospect Parkway Bridge project approval

MOTION: Motion to approve

VOTE: Motion by: Horbinski
Second by: Hopkins
Motion 7-0

9. MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

A. Discussion and Possible Action to approve the Mayoral Appointments per the list as presented

MOTION: Motion to approve.

VOTE: Motion by: Kroupa
Second by: Garrigues
Motion 7-0

10. DEFERRED, REFERRED & TABLED ITEMS

11. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA, if any

MOTION: Motion to approve Item 15C. Discussion and possible action to recommend to the Common Council the RAS from Ald. Stribl to change the date of Trick or Treat in the City of New Berlin from the last Sunday in October to the last Saturday in October.

VOTE: Motion by: Hopkins
Second by: Stribl

Motion 7-0

12. CONSENT AGENDA----------

A. *Items under the Consent Agenda have passed unanimously by the Committee of the Whole. Items not passed by a unanimous vote will be removed from consent agenda and will be considered separately.*

MOTION: Motion to approve consent agenda.

VOTE: Motion by: Garrigues
Second by: Stribl
Motion 7-0

13. MINUTES

A. March 28, 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

14. UTILITY & FINANCE

A. Discussion and possible action to recommend to the Common Council approval of the April 12, 2023 Water Utility claims in the amount of $117,555.02, Sewer Utility claims in the amount of $92,628.62 and General City claims in the amount of $895,462.93. Tax overpayment checks totaling $469.60 were also generated. US Bank VISA EFT of $42,915.55. WE Energies EFT of $81,367.42

15. MISCELLANEOUS

A. Recreation Department Update

B. Discussion and possible action to appoint William Jonas as the Common Council nominee to the City of New Berlin Ethics Board per section 28-6(B) of the City Code of the City of New Berlin, with a term to commence upon this appointment and to continue until 4/30/2026

C. Discussion and possible action to recommend to the Common Council the RAS from Ald. Stribl to change the date of Trick or Treating in the City of New Berlin from the last Sunday in October to the last Saturday in October

16. END CONSENT AGENDA----------

17. CLOSED SESSION

A. *The basis for the items to be discussed in Closed Session are as enumerated in Section 19.85(1)(g) of the Wisconsin State Statutes.(g) Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which*

it is or is likely to become involved, more specifically:
Rubina Medina read the basis for the items to be discussed in the Closed Session.

MOTION: Motion to enter into closed session at 6:42PM.

VOTE: Motion by: Stribl
Second by: Kroupa
Motion 7-0

B. Frier vs. City of New Berlin

C. Michael Kusch Claim

D. Mary Rickert Claim

E. James Ford Claim

18. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION - Discussion and possible action on items listed below:

A. Frier vs. City of New Berlin
No Action.

B. Michael Kusch Claim

MOTION: Motion to approve the claim as outlined by the City Attorney

VOTE: Motion by: Maxey
Second by: Stribl
Motion 7-0

C. Mary Rickert Claim

MOTION: Motion to approve the claim as outlined by the City Attorney.

VOTE: Motion by: Stribl
Second by: Kroupa
Motion 7-0

D. James Ford Claim
No Action.

19. ADJOURN

MOTION: Motion to adjorn the Common Council meeting at 7:11 PM.

VOTE: Motion by: Garrigues
Second by: Kroupa
Motion 7-0