



Common Council MEETING MINUTES

February 19, 2024 - 5:35 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 meeting to order at 5:37 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL; DECLARATION OF QUORUM; PUBLIC NOTICE

City Clerk Rubina Medina took the roll call as follows:

Present: Alderperson Hopkins, Alderperson Maxey, Alderperson Harenda, Alderperson Kroupa, Alderperson Horbinski, Alderperson La Fever

Excused: Alderperson Joseph Stribl

Staff Present: City Attorney Mark Blum, City Clerk Rubina R. Medina

City Clerk Rubina Medina stated that a quorum was established and the meeting was properly noticed.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. January 23, 2024 Common Council Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Motion to approve

VOTE: Motion by: Kroupa
Second by: Horbinski
Motion 6-0

5. REPORTS

A. City Clerk
None.

B. Council President
None.

C. Mayor

- The City is very excited to announce that our **Activity and Recreation Center** will be fully open to the public starting on February 26th. Phase I of the center opened in June of 2022, and Phase II of the center is now complete to include a gymnasium and walking track. The City will be holding a **Grand Opening Event** to the public on **Saturday, February 24th from 11am – 2pm.** to show case Phase II of the center. There will be a special ribbon cutting event at 11:15 a.m. All are encouraged to join us for a family fun event. For more information, please visit our New Berlin Website or contact our Recreation Department at 262-797-2443.

- In addition to the Grand Opening, we are also excited to announce the release of the **Recreation Department's "RecPASS"**. This pass is a membership that allows for unlimited visits to any drop-in program that is being held at our Activity and Recreation Center. For more information about the "RecPASS", please contact our Recreation Department at 262-797-2443.
- Finally, I want to congratulate our **Recreation Department** and **Kristen Hogan from our Department of Community and Development**, for winning the **Outstanding Park Design Award** at the 2024 Wisconsin Park and Recreation Association Conference. All are encouraged to visit **Buena Park** and check out all the updates they have added for the park users.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Acuity Insurance Claim re: Wisconsin Kitchen Mart, Inc.

7. PARKS, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMISSION

- A. Discussion and recommendation to Common Council to approve disc golf league permits to Mike Harrington DBA the Disc Golf Experience

MOTION: Motion to approve

VOTE: Motion by: Horbinski
Second by: Harenda
Motion 6-0

- B. Discussion and possible action to recommend to Common Council approval awarding the city wide door access project to Circle Electric, Inc. per the requested action statement

MOTION: Motion to approve

VOTE: Motion by: Horbinski
Second by: Maxey
Motion 6-0

- C. Discussion and possible action to recommend to Common Council approval awarding the city hall window replacement project to B&D Contractors, Inc. per the requested action statement

MOTION: Motion to approve

VOTE: Motion by: Horbinski
Second by: Harenda
Motion 6-0

8. DEFERRED, REFERRED & TABLED ITEMS

None.

9. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA, if any

None.

10. **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: Maxey
Second by: Kroupa
Motion 6-0

11. MINUTES

- A. January 23, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

12. UTILITY & FINANCE

- A. Discussion and recommendation to Common Council approval of the February 14, 2024 Water Utility claims in the amount of \$142,981.94, Sewer Utility claims in the amount of \$21,234.32 and General City Claims in the amount of \$1,527,280.98. Tax overpayment checks totaling \$102,671.46 were also generated. US Bank VISA EFT of \$17,781.22 for 2023 Invoices and \$19,714.47 for 2024 Invoices. We Energies EFT of \$71,486.75

13. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Discussion and recommendation to Common Council approval of Ordinance No. 2690, an ordinance to amend section 6-7 of the City of New Berlin Municipal Code regarding the Police and Fire Commission per the RAS submitted by Alderman Hopkins
- B. Discussion and recommendation to Common Council for the approval to revisit the RFP process looking for companies to erect a two-sided Digital Out Of Home Sign near the intersection of Wall Street and Moorland Rd on the ARC property per the RAS submitted by Alderman Stribl

14. END CONSENT AGENDA-----

15. CLOSED SESSION

- A. *The basis for the items to be discussed in closed session are as enumerated in Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin State Statutes, (e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, more specifically:*

MOTION: Motion to enter into closed session at 5:46PM.

City Clerk Rubina R. Medina took a roll call vote.

VOTE: Motion by: Horbinski
Second by: Kroupa
Motion 6-0

- B. Counter-offer to purchase from Bill and Alison Spindler - 15321 West National Avenue, Approximately 12,000 Square feet
- C. *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:*
- D. Wellner Claim
- E. Schulpius Claim
- F. Hernandez Claim

16. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Motion to return to open session at 5:56 PM.

City Clerk Rubina Medina took a roll call vote.

VOTE: Motion by: Kroupa
Second by: La Fever
Motion 6-0

- A.** Discussion and possible action re: Counter-offer to purchase from Bill and Alison Spindler - 15321 West National Avenue, Approximately 12,000 Square feet

MOTION: Motion to approve as presented by the City Attorney

VOTE: Motion by: Harenda
Second by: LaFever
Motion 6-0

- B.** Discussion and possible action re: Wellner Claim

MOTION: Motion to deny

VOTE: Motion by: Hopkins
Second by: Harenda
Motion 6-0

- C.** Discussion and possible action re: Schulpus Claim

MOTION: Motion to approve as presented by the City Attorney

VOTE: Motion by: Kroupa
Second by: Horbinski
Motion 6-0

- D.** Discussion and possible action re: Hernandez Claim

MOTION: Motion to deny

VOTE: Motion by: Kroupa
Second by: Maxey
Motion 6-0

17. ADJOURN

MOTION: Motion to adjourn at 5:59PM.

VOTE: Motion by: La Fever
Second by: Kroupa
Motion 6-0

***Respectfully Submitted,
Rubina R. Medina, City Clerk***