



Common Council MEETING MINUTES

February 24, 2026 - 6:05 PM
City Hall Council Chambers

MINUTES

1. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Each speaker will be limited to three (3) minutes. The Privilege of the Floor session shall not exceed a total of thirty (30) minutes, unless extended by the Common Council.

No members of the public (or attendees) spoke during this portion of the meeting.

2. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Harenda called the meeting to order at 6:19 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL; DECLARATION OF QUORUM; PUBLIC NOTICE

City Clerk Rubina R. Medina took the roll call as follows:

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

Excused: Alderperson Joseph Stribl, Mayor Dave Ament

Staff Present: City Attorney Thomas Schmitzer, City Clerk Rubina R. Medina

The City Clerk confirmed that a quorum was present and that the meeting was properly posted in compliance with open meetings law.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. February 10, 2026, Common Council Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Motion to Approve

VOTE: Motion by: Alderperson Horbinski
Second by: Alderperson La Fever
Motion Passed 6-0

5. REPORTS

A. City Clerk

No Report.

B. Council President

No Report.

C. Mayor

No Report.

6. **COMMUNICATIONS**

No Communications.

7. **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

A. Discussion and possible vote on Procurement Policy Limits

Suggested Motion: *"I move to approve the Procurement-Purchase Policy and adjusted approval level as outlined in the agenda packet and approved unanimously by the Finance Committee on February 12, 2026."*

MOTION: Motion to Approve

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

8. **SAFETY COMMISSION**

A. 25-11: Possible creation of an ordinance to allow all-terrain vehicle (ATV) operation on City of New Berlin roadways.

Suggested Motion: *"I move to take no action on agenda item 25-11, which was the possible creation of an ordinance to allow all-terrain vehicle (ATV) operation on City of New Berlin roadways. The motion to take no action was unanimously passed by the Safety Commission on December 10, 2026, based on the recommendation of the Streets, Engineering, Police Department, and other Safety Commission discussion and feedback."*

Ald. Kroupa noted that the correct date of the Safety Commission meeting was December 10, 2025, not 2026 as indicated on the agenda.

MOTION: Motion to Approve taking no action on the creation of an ordinance to allow all-terrain vehicle (ATV) operation on City of New Berlin roadways

VOTE: Motion by: Alderperson Kroupa
Second by: Alderperson Hopkins
Motion Passed 6-0

9. **DEFERRED, REFERRED & TABLED ITEMS**

10. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA, if any**

No items removed.

11. CONSENT AGENDA-----

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

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

12. MINUTES

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13. UTILITY & FINANCE

A. Discussion and possible recommendation to the Common Council to approve payment of the February 25, 2026, claims as follows: Water Utility claims in the amount of \$31,768.15; Sewer Utility claims in the amount of \$39,031.81; and General City claims in the amount of \$927,260.07, which includes a We Energies EFT payment of \$80,298.04 for December 2025 City electric and gas usage.

14. LICENSES & PERMITS

A. Discussion and possible recommendation to the Common Council to approve a Change of Agent for Kwik Trip #971, located at 2102 S Moorland Rd., to Eric Thomas for the licensing period ending June 30, 2026.

15. MISCELLANEOUS

A. New Berlin Hills Golf Course Overview

16. END CONSENT AGENDA-----

17. CLOSED SESSION

18. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

19. ADJOURN

MOTION: Motion to Adjourn at 6:22 PM

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

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