

Committee of the Whole MEETING MINUTES



April 14, 2026 - 6:00 PM
Council Chambers
3805 S. Casper Drive

MINUTES

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Council President Harenda called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

2. ROLL CALL; DECLARATION OF QUORUM; PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Present: Alderperson Hopkins, Alderperson Gardner, Alderperson Maxey, Alderperson Harenda, Alderperson Horbinski, Alderperson Kroupa, City Attorney Schmitzer

Excused: Alderperson Joseph Stribl, Mayor Dave Ament

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

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

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. March 24, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Motion to Approve

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

4. UTILITY & FINANCE

A. Discussion and possible recommendation to the Common Council to approve the April 15, 2026, Water Utility claims in the amount of \$168,661.60, Sewer Utility claims in the amount of \$872,399.19, and General City claims in the amount of \$1,791,792.10, including a US Bank VISA EFT payment of \$26,028.70.

MOTION: Motion to Approve

VOTE: Motion by: Alderperson Horbinski
Second by: Alderperson Kroupa

5. MISCELLANEOUS

- A.** Recommend to the Common Council approval of an increase to the City's ambulance billing fees, effective June 1, 2026, to include a \$300 increase to all base rates for non-resident Basic Life Support (BLS), Advanced Life Support (ALS), and Critical Care services, and a \$250 increase to all base rates for resident Basic Life Support (BLS), Advanced Life Support (ALS), and Critical Care services. Further, effective January 1, 2027, and January 1, 2028, all ambulance base rates shall increase by \$50 annually from the prior year's rates, as detailed in the fee schedule included in the agenda packet.

MOTION: Motion to Approve

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

- B.** Recommend to the Common Council that a Public Hearing be set for May 4, 2026 at 6:01 pm to be held before the Plan Commission to rezone the properties located at 2445 S. 179th Street (Tax Key #: 1185.990), 2345 S. 179th Street (Tax Key #: 1185.994) & Tax Key #: 1185.991 from M-1/SPO, C-1 & C-2 to M-1/SPO & C-2 to remove the C-1 Zoning.

MOTION: Motion to Approve

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

- C.** Recommend to Common Council that a joint public hearing be set for June 1, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. to be held before the Plan Commission to amend the Future Land Use Map within the City's Comprehensive Plan (Chapter 17 - Neighborhood "G" Sections 26 and 35 – South Moorland Road Corridor, Chapter 18 – Neighborhood "H" Westridge & Moorland Road, and Chapter 10 - Land Use) from Business Park/Industrial & Urban Residential to Business Park/Industrial for the parcels located at:

- 14811 W. Grange Avenue (Tax Key #: 1290.999) [Loomis Farm, LLC – 80.22 Acres]
- 14655 W. Grange Avenue (Tax Key #: 1289.995) [Maureen E. Bosch Revocable Trust - 39.83 Acres]

MOTION: Motion to Approve

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

- D.** Recommend to the Common Council that a joint public hearing be set for June 1, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. to be held before the Plan Commission to rezone from A-1, A-2, R-4, M-1, P-1, C-1 & C-2 to A-1, M-3/PUD, P-1, C-1, & C-2 for the parcels located at:

- 15393 W. Grange Avenue (Tax Key #: 1290.998) [E. James Rausch, Marie A. Rausch A. May – 2 Acres]
- Tax Key #: 1290.998.002 [E. James Rausch – 10.11 Acres]
- Tax Key #: 1290.998.003 [E. James Rausch, Marie A. Rausch, Marie Rausch A. May – 7.92 Acres]
- 15301 W. Grange Avenue (Tax Key #: 1290.998.001) [E. James Rausch – 20.34 Acres]
- 14811 W. Grange Avenue (Tax Key #: 1290.999) [Loomis Farm, LLC – 80.22 Acres]
- 14655 W. Grange Avenue (Tax Key #: 1289.995) [Maureen E. Bosch Revocable Trust - 39.83 Acres]
- Tax Key #: 1291.997 [Baas Farm, LLC - 24.49 Acres]
- Tax Key #: 1291.986.001 [Baas Farm, LLC – 34.84 Acres]
- Tax Key #: 1291.994 [Raymond E. Saltzmann, Marie L. Nielsen – 37.13 Acres]
- 15920 W College Avenue (Tax Key #: 1288.997) [Virgil A. Saltzmann, Raymond E. Saltzmann – 34.94 Acres]
- 5900 S Moorland Road (Tax Key #: 1288.999) [Virgil Saltzmann – 32.18 Acres]

MOTION: Motion to Approve

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

- E.** Recommend to the Common Council approval of an agreement to hire Ehlers & Associates to prepare a TID Project Plan for Tax Incremental District #6 in the amount of \$18,000, and recommend to the Common Council that a public hearing be set for June 1, 2026, at 6:01 PM to be held before the Plan Commission for the properties located at:

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- Tax Key #: 1290.998.002 [E. James Rausch – 10.11 Acres]
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- 5900 S Moorland Road (Tax Key #: 1288.999) [Virgil Saltzmann – 32.18 Acres]
- 5851 S Sunny Slope Road (Tax Key #: 1289.997.001) [City of New Berlin Park – 39.17 Acres - The city's park parcel to be part of the TIF boundary only to ensure the half mile project boundary would include the entire scope of public roadway projects.]

MOTION: Motion to Approve

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

- F.** Discussion and possible recommendation to the Common Council to authorize the City of New Berlin Joint Review Board to conduct meetings by electronic means in lieu of in-person meetings.

Ald. Kroupa moved to deny the request. The motion failed for lack of a second.

MOTION: Motion to Approve

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

6. ADJOURN

MOTION: Motion to Adjourn at 6:16 PM

VOTE: Motion by: Alderperson Kroupa
Second by: Alderperson Horbinski
Motion Passed 7-0

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