

# Committee of the Whole MEETING MINUTES

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April 28, 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 6:01 PM.

### 2. ROLL CALL; DECLARATION OF QUORUM; PUBLIC NOTICE

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

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

Excused: Alderperson Gardner, Alderperson 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. April 14, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

**MOTION:** Motion to Approve

**VOTE:** Motion by: Alderperson Horbinski  
Second by: Alderperson Maxey  
Motion Passed 5-0

### 4. UTILITY & FINANCE

#### A. Discussion and possible recommendation to the Common Council regarding approval of the April 29, 2026, claims, including Water Utility claims of \$40,196.56, Sewer Utility claims of \$52,861.43, and General City claims of \$870,678.19, which includes a We Energies EFT payment of \$99,774.40.

**MOTION:** Motion to Approve

**VOTE:** Motion by: Alderperson Hopkins  
Second by: Alderperson Maxey

Motion Passed 5-0

**5. MISCELLANEOUS**

- A.** Discussion and possible action regarding the appointment of William Jonas as the Common Council nominee to the City of New Berlin Ethics Board, pursuant to Section 28-6(B) of the City Code, for a term commencing upon appointment and expiring April 30, 2029.

**MOTION:** Motion to Approve

**VOTE:** Motion by: Alderperson Maxey  
Second by: Alderperson Horbinski  
Motion Passed 5-0

- B.** Election of an Alderperson to the Plan Commission, pursuant to Section 275-15(B)(1) of the City Code, requiring a two-thirds vote of the Common Council.

Ald. Kroupa nominated Ald. Stribl for appointment to the Plan Commission. Ald. Hopkins concurred with the nomination. There being no further nominations, nominations were declared closed.

**MOTION:** Motion to Approve Ald. Joe Stribl to the Plan Commission

**VOTE:** Motion by: Alderperson Kroupa  
Second by: Alderperson Horbinski  
Motion Passed 5-0

- C.** Discussion and possible recommendation to the Common Council for approval of the New Berlin Fire Department's AED Library Program to support expanded access to life-saving equipment and enhance emergency response efforts within the community, as outlined in the RAS.

**MOTION:** Motion to Approve

**VOTE:** Motion by: Alderperson Maxey  
Second by: Alderperson Kroupa  
Motion Passed 5-0

- D.** Discussion and possible action regarding the proposed reorganization of the Human Resources Department, including the creation of an HR Manager position and the transition of Benefits & Leave Specialist duties to a Benefits Administrator role to address operational needs and support strategic HR functions.

**MOTION:** Motion to Approve

**VOTE:** Motion by: Alderperson Hopkins  
Second by: Alderperson Horbinski  
Motion Passed 5-0

**6. ADJOURN**

**MOTION:** Motion to Adjourn at 6:11 PM.

**VOTE:** Motion by: Alderperson Horbinski  
Second by: Alderperson Maxey  
Motion Passed 5-0

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