

# Committee of the Whole MEETING MINUTES

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May 26, 2026 - 6:00 PM  
City Hall Council Chambers  
3805 S. Casper Drive

## MINUTES

### 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Ament called the meeting to order at 6:00 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 Horbinski, Alderperson Kroupa

Excused: Alderperson Kenneth Harenda, Alderperson Joseph Stribl

Staff Present: Mayor Dave Ament, 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 open meetings law.

### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### A. May 12, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

**MOTION:** Motion to Approve

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

### 4. UTILITY & FINANCE

A. Discussion and possible recommendation to the Common Council to approve the May 27, 2026, Water Utility claims in the amount of \$25,454.42, Sewer Utility claims in the amount of \$25,699.68, and General City claims in the amount of \$453,595.87, including a We Energies EFT payment of \$89,230.77. Tax overpayment checks totaling \$3,134.06 were also generated.

**MOTION:** Motion to Approve

**VOTE:** Motion by: Alderperson Kroupa

Second by: Alderperson Maxey  
Motion Passed 5-0

## 5. LICENSES & PERMITS

- A. Discussion and possible recommendation to the Common Council to approve the alcohol renewal licenses, designated agents, and premise descriptions as outlined in the list as presented, for the license year expiring June 30, 2027, contingent upon the satisfaction of all City requirements.

**MOTION:** Motion to Approve

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

## 6. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Discussion and possible recommendation to the Common Council to approve an agreement with the Professional Firefighters of Wisconsin Charitable Foundation, Inc. for use of the area near Fire Station No. 7 and the Streets Building parking lot in connection with the 2026 Ride to Burn Camp event scheduled for August 11, 2026, contingent upon receipt of a signed agreement and Certificate of Insurance in a form approved by the City Attorney.

**MOTION:** Motion to Approve

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

- B. Discussion and possible recommendation to the Common Council to approve Ordinance No. 2721, amending the City of New Berlin Municipal Code related to ambulance billing fees to formally codify the fee schedule previously approved by the Common Council on April 14, 2026.

**MOTION:** Motion to Approve

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

- C. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding public awareness and community outreach efforts related to a potential Public Safety Referendum for the November 3, 2026, Election, including preliminary public safety staffing needs, operational impacts, and funding scenarios.

The Fire, Police, and Finance Departments presented a brief overview to the Common Council on a potential Public Safety Referendum. Following the presentation, the Council directed staff to proceed with public awareness and community outreach efforts related to a

possible referendum that could appear on the November 3, 2026, ballot. The matter will return to the Common Council at a future meeting for consideration and possible action.

**7. ADJOURN**

**MOTION:** Motion to Adjourn at 6:49 PM

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

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