

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
March 12, 2025

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Mayor Patrick J. Milliren.

Roll Call: Present – Council Members Hooker, Kavanaugh, Menke, Roesler, Weisenbeck, and Weishapple. Also Present: Administrator Carlson, City Clerk Morgan, Public Works Director Gilles, and Police Chief Ridgeway, Absent: Fire Chief King and Ambulance Co-Director Bignell. Due and proper notice of meeting was confirmed.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Council Member Kavanaugh and seconded by Council Member Roesler to adopt the agenda. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment: None

Consent Agenda: The City Council Members reviewed the Regular City Council Meeting minutes from February 26, 2025, February 2025 budget comparison, and bartender licenses for Evan J Kircher at Consumers Coop. Motion by Council Member Roesler, seconded by Council Member Weishapple to approve Regular City Council Meeting minutes from February 26, 2025, February 2025 budget comparison, and bartender licenses for Evan J Kircher at Consumers Coop as presented under the Consent Agenda. Council Member Hooker abstained.

Public Hearing: A public hearing was called to order at 6:32 pm by Mayor Milliren to consider any public input relating to a combination Licensing for the Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage “Class “B”” License for Bodhi’s Event Center and Rentals, LLC Anthony J Bernicke, agent. Seeing that no one wishes to address the Council on the pending application, Mayor Milliren closed the hearing at 6:32 pm.

Discussion and possible action regarding application for a combination Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage “Class “B”” License for Bodhi’s Event Center and Rentals, LLC Anthony J Bernicke, agent. Motion by Council Member Roesler and seconded by Council Menke to approve the application for a combination Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage “Class “B”” License for Bodhi’s Event Center and Rentals, LLC Anthony J Bernicke, agent. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Business Agenda - Mayor’s Report: Mayor Milliren gave an update of City events. Mayor Milliren Discussed the upcoming Economic Development meeting on April 2nd at 5L30 pm. Mayor Milliren congratulated the Girls Basketball team going to the State tournaments, he wishes them the best of luck at the State tournament.

Administrator’s Report: Administrator Carlson discussed the new website. She will have information at the next Council meeting for IT Consulting. Administrator Carlson discussed the changes to CDBG program. An upcoming League Roundtable Meeting in Menomonie.

Presentation by Administrator Carlson on the new City website.

Discussion and possible action regarding on participating in the State Debt Collection program for EMS delinquent billing and other outstanding debts. Motion by Council Member Menke, seconded by Council Member Roesler to approve participating in the State Debt Collection program for EMS delinquent billing and other outstanding debts. Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Public Safety – Police Department: Police Chief Ridgeway gave an update of the Police Department. Interviews for the open Full-time Officer interviews were completed this afternoon. It will be on the March 26, 2025 agenda. There is an issue with the night squad car, it is out of service. The Police Department escorted the Girls Basketball through the City today. Good luck at State.

Discussion and possible action regarding the purchase of suppressor. Motion by Council Member Roesler and seconded by Council Hooker to approve regarding purchase of suppressor in the amount of \$970, this is in the budget. Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Fire Department: Fire Chief King was not able to attend the meeting. Administrator Carlson gave an update on the Rural Fire Department process

Approval of the Fire Department Officers. Motion carried by Council Member Hooker, seconded by Council Member Roesler to approve the Fire Department Officers. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Ambulance Department: Ambulance Director Bignell was not able to attend the meeting.

Public Works/Utilities: Engineer's Report: Engineer R. Kiviniemi was not present at the meeting.

Public Works/Utilities: Public Works Director Gilles gave an update of the Public Works department. The Public Works Director Gilles, Administrator Carlson, and Clerk Morgan worked on the questions that we received last week from the PSC and submitted the answers. The chain for the RBC has broken again, he will be getting quotes for repairs. He and Administrator Carlson will be meeting with Ehlers to discuss the financing options for Madison Street. He gave an update on the Pool Project.

Update on the Dog park by Council Member Kavanaugh.

Closed Session: Not needed at this time.

Vouchers: Motion by Council Member Weishapple, seconded by Council Member Roesler to approve the vouchers presented #30438 – 30474 in the amount of \$189,371.36 payroll for March 14, 2025 in the amount of \$31,788.96. Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

The next Regular City Council Meeting is Wednesday, March 26, 2025 at 6:30 pm

Motion to adjourn by Council Member Weisenbeck, seconded by Council Member Menke at 7:20 pm. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Angela Morgan

Angela Morgan, City Clerk