

Mayor Kletscher called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll showed Councilpersons Curvello, DeGross, Lee, Olson, Sandow and Stoner were present. Also present were CT Rosenow, Police Chief Klatt, PW Director Caress, Fire Chief Holden, Ambulance Co-Director Julie Lee, Lynn McIntyre, Jud Kraft, David Olson, Amanda Olson, John Lindelof and Carlton DeWitt

DeGross moved and Olson seconded a motion to approve the agenda. Voice vote carried.

Olson moved and Sandow seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2024 Regular meeting. Voice vote showed all councilpersons voting yes.

Sandow moved and Olson seconded a motion to approve all presented disbursements. Roll call vote carried with all councilpersons voting yes.

There were no Public Comments.

There was no Summer Rec report.

There was no Library report.

Caress gave the Public Works report, discussing a homeowner's curbstoep leak on Elm St., and his department's preparations for the St. Croix County Fair.

A written Police report was submitted and Chief Klatt followed up the public works report, stating 'No Parking' signs will only be installed on West Oak Street for the duration of the fair. Klatt is also working with GCSD on digital mapping of the school for potential critical incidents and also with the library to do a presentation for the senior center on scams.

In the Fire Department report, Chief Holden stated he is transitioning the new engine into service and aiming to list the 1995 engine for sale on the Wisconsin Surplus Auction site the first week of August.

In the Clerk-Treasurer's report Rosenow stated two sessions of swimming lessons have started and there is potential to add one more session beginning the last week of July.

Mayor Kletscher clarified the City is not changing the way it is charging for or collecting recyclables for businesses and multi-family residences at this time, but will be revisiting the system and coming up with a plan by October 1<sup>st</sup> for potential implementation January 1, 2025. Also, beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>, the City will no longer be paying for fire runs that occur within the City limits and those runs will be charged to the property owner/resident.

In Old Business, the repainting that has been done in the building as warranty work, is still not satisfactory and the owner of the painting company failed to attend the meeting scheduled to go through the building. Another meeting has been scheduled for July 22<sup>nd</sup> to discuss the issue further.

Discussion on the cost of tying an ordinance for bee keeping to zoning, resulted in the topic being put back into the Public Relations and Community Development Committee for further research.

Mayor Kletscher reiterated the City will continue to accept recyclables from businesses and multi-family housing units and will not change the fees being charged until January 1<sup>st</sup>. More information will be gathered until October 1<sup>st</sup> regarding the logistics and costs before a new plan is established.

Utility permit policy discussion resulted in a consensus to add a fee of \$100 for up to 500' and \$150 for over 500' to the fee schedule.

It was determined that the LRIP funds of \$21,690.14 that the City was awarded for paving on 320<sup>th</sup> St. cannot be used to repair storm sewers. After discussion regarding doing a shorter section of pavement replacement than the application stated would still result in the City spending roughly \$25,000 on top of the LRIP funds, Olson moved and Lee seconded a motion to relinquish the funding. Voice vote carried with all councilpersons voting yes.

Sandow moved and Curvello seconded a motion to approve repairs estimates for brakes and exhaust manifold for ambulance #5702. Voice vote carried.

Olson moved and Lee seconded a motion to approve extend the contract with ADRC to the end of the year to use the community center space for the nutrition program. Voice vote carried.

Olson moved and Stoner seconded a motion to approve an amendment to the City's Purchase and Reimbursement Policy to accommodate debit card purchases. Voice vote carried.

Lee moved and DeGross seconded a motion to approve Operator's License applications for Ewan C Grant and Christopher J Lawson. Voice vote carried.

At 7:35 p.m. DeGross moved and Olson seconded a motion to enter into closed session per Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1)(e) Competitive or Bargaining Reasons: Deliberating of or negotiating for purchase of public properties, investment of public funds, or conduct of other specific public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session; discussion regarding real estate negotiations. Roll call vote showed Councilpersons Curvello, DeGross, Lee, Olson, Sandow and Stoner voting yes. Council adjourned to Clerk's office for closed session. Real Estate Agent John Lindelof was asked to be present in closed session.

At 7:52 p.m. DeGross moved and Lee seconded a motion to reconvene to open session. Roll call vote showed all councilpersons voting yes and the meeting was resumed in the meeting room.

Olson moved and DeGross seconded a motion to accept the presented offer on the lot formerly known as the NSP lot. Roll call vote showed all councilpersons voting yes.

Councilperson Sandow stated he is moving outside the City limits and will be resigning his Alderperson position immediately. Olson moved and DeGross seconded a motion to accept Sandow's resignation. Voice vote carried.

Olson moved and Lee seconded a motion to appoint Jud Kraft to fill the remainder of Sandow's term. It was noted that Kraft had expressed interest in being appointed to an open seat just two months ago, therefore the council would not advertise at this time for the open seat. Voice vote carried with all councilpersons voting yes.

DeGross moved and Olson seconded a motion to adjourn. Voice vote carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Shari Rosenow/Clerk-Treasurer