

## **Common Council Meeting minutes, August 5, 2024**

Mayor Rawson called meeting to order at 6:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Council attending: A. Stevens, J. Tranberg, J. Anderson, P. Syverson, D. Stephenson, J. Rawson.  
Others in attendance: Attorney Mark Radcliffe, Andrew Dannehy-TCT, Owen Berg, Chief Kent Johnson, Mike Ressel, Dave Quarne, Clerk/Treasurer-Debi Fremstad.

Agenda was posted on 7/31/2024 at City Hall, Post Office, Waumandee Bank, & City website.

**Motion by J. Anderson to approve agenda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by D. Stephenson. Discussion: none. Vote: Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.**

Public Comment: none.

**Motion by D. Stephenson to approve July 1, 2024 Public Hearing and Common Council minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by A. Stevens. Discussion: none. Vote: Ayes-4, Nays-0, Abstain-P. Syverson. Motion carried.**

**Motion by P. Syverson to approve and place file the 7/8/2024 Police & Ordinance meeting minutes and the 7/18/2024 Streets, Lights, & Equipment meeting minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Anderson. Discussion: none. Vote: Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.**

P. Syverson and J. Greenwold attended the Sewer Advisory Board meeting with the City of Whitehall on June 27, 2024. The discussion revolved around the initial stages of a new system being put in at the Whitehall Wastewater Treatment Plant. We will be involved in the process due to the high volume being sent from the City of Blair.

J. Anderson reported that the Library Board was notified that Kris McNamer has taken a different position and will be leaving sometime this fall. Interviews are being planned. Kris has done a great job with the library.

Ressel/Quarne CUP up for review. Mike Ressel is thinking that in January the items will be moving. **Motion by D. Stephenson to extend the CUP for another 6 months, 2<sup>nd</sup> by P. Syverson. Discussion: none. Roll call vote: D. Stephenson-yes, P. Syverson-yes, J. Anderson-yes, J. Tranberg-yes, A. Stevens-yes. Motion carried.**

The council discussed the Owen Berg property. Owen doesn't want possession of the street. He will take the street, but will not pay for it. Simmons will be putting up a barricade to block access to their property. Attorney Radcliffe stated the road is clearly a city street. If Mr. Berg wants more signage, it is his responsibility. It has been maintained and plowed by the City of Blair. There was no action taken on this agenda item.

Tranberg Memorial temporary class B liquor license for September 7, 2024. **Motion by J. Tranberg to approve the temporary license for the Tranberg Memorial on 9/7/2024, 2<sup>nd</sup> by P. Syverson. Discussion: none. Vote: Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.**

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A-1 Excavating has finished the Broadway/Pearl Street project has submitted AFP #7, the final application for payment. **Motion by P. Syverson to approve final payment on the Broadway/Pearl Street project of \$35,197.72, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Anderson. Discussion: none. Roll call vote: D. Stephenson-yes, P. Syverson-yes, J. Anderson-yes, J. Tranberg-yes, A. Stevens-yes. Motion carried.**

**Motion by D. Stephenson to grant contract of the sand mines CUP review and inspection to General Engineering Company, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Tranberg. Discussion: none. Roll call vote: D. Stephenson-yes, P. Syverson-yes, J. Anderson-yes, J. Tranberg-yes, A. Stevens-yes. Motion carried.**

The Lake Henry Dredging bids have been advertised and bid opening is scheduled for Thursday, August 15, 2024 at 1:30 pm. Mark Mickelson, the SEH engineer, would like to meet with the Council to discuss the bids. Council agreed to meet on Monday, August 19, 2024 at 5:00 pm.

**Motion by D. Stephenson to approve Sydney Fremstad as a 2024-2025 election worker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Anderson. Discussion: none. Vote: Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.**

Chief Johnson discussed the property at 236 W Broadway. He will be meeting with the property owner to discuss public nuisance notification. Attorney Radcliffe gave the Council 2 options: give a 30-day notice or hire an engineer to do a raze report. **Motion by D. Stephenson to authorize engineering firm to do a raze report on all structures on property at 236 W Broadway, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Tranberg. Discussion: none. Roll call vote: D. Stephenson-yes, P. Syverson-yes, J. Anderson-yes, J. Tranberg-yes, A. Stevens-yes. Motion carried.**

Ordinance changes: Ch 19.04(D) add-with approved annual fire permit issued by the City office, 19.04(5) change the word shall to requires. Ch. 22.02(2)-replace with street manager review and submit to Council for action to be taken. Eliminate 22.02(3),(4),(5). Ch 30.05(3)(A)-add that are to be determined to be permanent structures. Ch 37.01(5) add language for parking/ no parking along Center Street. 37.01(6)(7) change hours and time limitations. The attorney will look into 37.03 and prepare a draft to look at. Ch 44.02(4)(A) replace duly registered with must pay a nightly, weekly or monthly fee and be registered with the City office. 46.09(4)(C) permit needed for in-ground pools only. Ch 53 this should go to building inspector. There will have to be a public hearing for Ch 46 changes. **Motion by J. Tranberg to approve changes to Ordinances 19, 22, 30, 37, 44, and 53, 2<sup>nd</sup> by P. Syverson. Discussion: none. Vote: Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.**

The following chapters are to be reviewed by City Attorney and returned to council: 55, 63, 70. There are also new ordinances that the attorney needs to draft: Stray Cats, Fire Inspections, Sex Offender, Water Curtailment, Board of Review. **Motion by P. Syverson for Attorney to proceed with reviewing and drafting ordinances, 2<sup>nd</sup> by A. Stevens. Discussion: none. Vote: Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.**

Streets, Lights, & Equipment meeting: Recommends replacing yield signs at Tenney & Urberg and 1<sup>st</sup> & Pearl with stop signs. The alley between 115 and 121 W Broadway needs something done. **Motion by J. Tranberg to replace yield signs with stop signs at Tenney St & Urberg**

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**Ave and 1<sup>st</sup> St & Pearl St, 2<sup>nd</sup> P. Syverson. Discussion: none. Vote: Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried. Motion by J. Tranberg to make the alley between 115 and 121 W Broadway an enter only alley off of Broadway Street for 75 feet, 2<sup>nd</sup> by P. Syverson. Discussion: signage will be needed. Vote: Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.**

Server applications for Tammy Berg, Jolene Ekern, Michelle Hull, Gwendolyn Kidd, Edith Lambright, David Mattison, Patricia Stenberg, Jenifer Thorpe, Darlene Waldera, Lukas Walker. **Motion by D. Stephenson to approve all server applications, 2<sup>nd</sup> by A. Stevens. Discussion: none. Vote: Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.**

**Motion by J. Anderson to pay the bills R190, 61776-61917, ST 45, V1135-1161, WI 254-256, BT6-2024, ETF 8-2024, efts 062824, 071224 & 072624, Def Comp 189-190, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Tranberg. Discussion: none. Vote: D. Stephenson-yes, P. Syverson-yes, J. Anderson-yes, J. Tranberg-yes, A. Stevens-yes. Motion carried.**

Next Council meeting: September 5, 2024 at 6:30 pm

**Motion by J. Tranberg to adjourn at 7:52 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by A. Stevens. Discussion-none. Vote: Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.**

Debra Fremstad, Clerk/Treasurer