

A Regular Meeting of the Boscobel Common Council Monday, April 8, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Boscobel, Wisconsin, was called to order by Mayor Brenda Kalish at 7:00 p.m. Members Present: Alder Barb Bell, Alder Roger Brown, Alder Gary Kjos, Alder Jessie Esser, Alder Brian Kendall, Alder Milt Cashman and Alder Steve Fritz. Absent: Alder Stephanie Brown.

Others Present: City Engineer/DPW Mike Reynolds, City Attorney Ben Wood, City Administrator Patricia Smith, Chief of Police Travis Dregne, Street Superintendent Luke Brown, Library Director Janelle Miller and Joe Hart. Virtual: None

Agenda: Proof in the form of a certificate of public notice given as required by § 19.84, Wis. Stats., as to the holding of this meeting, was presented by the Clerk.

Minutes 03/18/2024: Motion by Alder R. Brown second by Alder Bell to approve minutes of the March 18, 2024, Common Council meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Registered Comments & Concerns: Alder Kjos brought forward the railroad crossing on Hwy 61 and regarding the road conditions and complaints he is receiving from residents in his District. City Engineer/DPW Reynolds stated that the Railroad would need to be contacted to make the repairs happen. It was further discussed that a communication would need to be created to contact the Railroad for next steps. No action.

Proclamation: Designating National Library Week, April 7 – 13, 2024: Motion by Alder Cashman, second by Alder Kjos to approve the Proclamation. Motion carried.

Administrative Reports:

DPW Report: City Engineer Reynolds stated that the substation project has a draft to be submitted to the Public Service Commission. Reynolds is in the process of reviewing the draft. Reynolds discussed the hydro seeder is coming to finish the Pine Shores subdivision. Reynolds also commented on the salt situation with the Street Department. Reynolds stated we hardly used any salt. Currently there has been a hard time storing the salt due to space concerns. Going forward the City will reduce the future orders to manage the overage of salt we have stored. Reynolds communicated that he did send out the final check for the street storage building new roof.

Administrator's Report: City Administrator Smith communicated that the City is still waiting for results for the 2023 audit and working with Johnson & Block on finalizing some reconciliation matters. Smith also shared that she is targeting May 22, 2024, as the ribbon cutting for the Boat Landing. Smith also shared that she had a meeting with a company regarding new park equipment. We have some need to replace equipment that has been removed and also looking for equipment in the new park in Pine Shore Estates. More to come as sales come up and we can present to Park Commission.

Police Chief's Report: Chief Dregne communicated that he has hired a new Police Officer. The addition will aid in the current shortage of staff and then the shifts will change with the officers. Chief Dregne also discussed some upcoming bids for technology needs at the Police Station. Chief Dregne will bring more formal bids in the future.

Library Director: None.

Mayor: Mayor Kalish communicated that the Grant County Economic Development meeting is set for April 24, 2024. If any Alder is interested in attending to let her know by April 19, 2024.

Approve Advertising for Street Maintenance & Stump Removal Bids: Motion by Alder Cashman second by Alder Kjos to approve advertising for street maintenance and stump removal. Motion carried.

Review/Approve Total Upfitters Estimate for New Police Vehicle: Motion by Alder Cashman second by Alder Kjos to approve Total Upfitters estimate for new police vehicle. Motion carried.

Review/Approve Space Agreement between ARDC and the Tuffley Community Center: Motion by Alder Fritz second by Alder R. Brown to approve the space agreement between ARDC and Tuffley Community Center. Motion carried.

Approve Licenses:

- a. Application Cigarette, Tobacco and Electronic Vaping Device Retail License, Voluntary Exchange, LLC, 600 Elm St., Boscobel, WI 53805, Trapper Brown, Owner.

Motion by Alder R. Brown, second by Alder Cashman to approve Application Cigarette, Tobacco and Electronic Vaping Device Retail License, Voluntary Exchange, LLC, 600 Elm St., Boscobel, WI 53805, Trapper Brown, Owner. Motion carried.

Approve Street/Alley Closing Requests:

- a. Back Roads Church, Vacation Bible School, Sunday, July 28th to August 1st, 2024, 4:30pm to 8:30pm, corner of parking lot to front doors, barricades needed, Nikki Wetter.

Motion by Alder Cashman second by Alder Esser to approve Back Roads Church street closure request. Motion carried.

- b. Firecracker 5 Mile Run, 2 Mile Run and 2 Mile Walk, July 4, 2024, 7:00am – 7:00pm, see detailed route and additional requested items, barricades needed, Teesha Bacon, Lisa Friar.

Motion by Alder Cashman, second by Alder Kjos to approve Firecracker 5 Mile Run, 2 Mile Run and 2 Mile Walk on July 4, 2024. Motion carried.

Review/Approve Mayoral Appointments:

Boscobel Fire District: Steve Fritz

Board of Review: Sharon Halverson

Boat Landing: Brent Drake to replace John Borzick

Housing Authority: Jan Beck to replace Misty Molzof

Motion by Alder Kjos second by Alder Cashman to approve Mayoral Appointments. Motion carried.

Discussion and Action on Committee Recommendation /Committee/Board Meetings Updates/Reports:

- a. Personnel Committee Recommendation to Approve New Police Officer.

Motion by Alder Cashman second by Alder Kjos to approve hiring of new Police Officer. Motion carried.

- b. Approve Membership WCPA (Wisconsin Chief of Police Association).

Motion by Alder Cashman second by Alder Kjos to approve Membership WCPA. Motion carried.

- c. Approve WPPA Critical Incident Retainer.

Motion by Alder Cashman second by Alder Esser to approve WPPA Critical Incident Retainer. Motion carried.

Approve Special Pay Requests: None.

Approve March Account Balance Reports: Motion by Alder Kjos, second by Alder Fritz to approve March Account Balance reports. Motion carried.

Approve Payment of Monthly Bills: Motion by Alder R. Brown, second by Alder Fritz to approve monthly bills, as presented, with the invoice amount of \$293,300.44, of which was paid in the amount of \$293,300.44. Upon roll call vote, all alders present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

Adjourn: Motion by Alder R. Brown second by Alder Kjos to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:46p.m.

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Brenda L. Kalish, Mayor

Patricia A. Smith, City Administrator