

A Regular Meeting of the Boscobel Common Council Monday, October 7, 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 Roger Brown, Alder Gary Kjos, Alder Jessie Esser, Alder Milt Cashman, Alder Brian Kendall, Alder Cody Trumm, Alder S. Brown and Alder Steve Fritz. Absent: None.

Others Present: DPW/City Engineer Mike Reynolds, City Attorney Ben Wood, Chief of Police Travis Dregne, City Administrator Patricia Smith, 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 September 23, 2024: Motion by Alder R. Brown second by Alder Kjos to approve minutes of the September 23, 2024, Common Council meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Registered Comments & Concerns: None.

Administrative Reports:

DPW Report: DPW/City Engineer Reynolds provided an update on the railroad crossing on highway 61. Reynolds sent an email to request an update. The railroad did provide some repairs with patching. Reynolds will reach out to the county to see if they can grind it down to smooth it out. The railroad's responsibility is 4 feet on each side. Reynolds will reach out to a DOT contact to better understand if it is connecting highway issue or the railroad. Reynolds shared that the dump truck bids will be ready for the next Common Council meeting. Reynolds shared that there are 10 applicants to date for the open Street Department Worker position. Friday, October 11th is when the posting will close. Reynolds would like to hold a Personnel Committee meeting after the Finance Committee meeting on October 14, 2024, at 6:00p.m. to select who to interview. Reynolds did thank the Common Council for allowing the use of the Street Department Workers to assist with the shelter build at the Farmer's Market location. Reynold also updated that concrete pads were completed at the swimming pool for bleachers and the boat landing for picnic tables. Reynolds informed regarding the build of the new railroad bridge as part of the WRTO project. Reynolds shared that the design plans should be complete by January 2025 with construction in 2026. Reynolds communicated some unknowns still are in place based on the timing of the trail and the grant monies to be awarded. Reynolds also updated that the current week is Public Power Week.

Administrator's Report: City Administrator Smith communicated that the Finance Committee had its first meeting regarding the 2025 Budget. Smith shared that work still needs to be done to get it balanced and approved. Smith shared she hopes to have complete by late November. Smith shared that the Board of Review date will be on October 15, 2024. Smith informed that the election activity continues to ramp up with registrations and absentee voting. Voting in person will start on October 22, 2024, and will run until November 1, 2024.

Police Chief's Report: Chief Dregne communicated the Tahoe Police Cruiser is at Total Tech to decommission and then the vehicle will be detailed and listed on Wisconsin Surplus. Dregne stated that this process will move forward with the K9 project. Dregne also stated that he is working on the Freymiller nuisance process.

Library Director: Director Miller updated that they did not receive the requested grant. Miller stated that Fennimore and Dodgeville did receive.

Mayor: None.

Review/Approve Request from WCCU Credit Union from Westby, WI, to have Mobile Unit Weekly from April to October 2025: Motion by Alder Esser second by Alder R. Brown to approve WCCU Credit Union to bring their mobile unit into the City of Boscobel contingent on them identifying a location. Motion carried.

Discussion and Action on Street/Alley Closing Requests: None.

Approve Licenses:

- a. Application for Alcohol Beverage Operator's License:
 - i. New Horizons – Andrea M. Cardozo.
 - ii. Hideaway Bar & Grill – Kaela LeAnne Townsend, Krista M. Sierzant, Stephanie Michelle Niles-Rux, Eric Roger Swatek, John Bernard Gillingham, Robin Jean Baumeister, Susan M. Cooley & Amber S. Mahoney.

Motion by Alder Cashman second by Alder R. Brown to approve Alcohol Beverage Operator's License for all requested, excluding John Bernard Gillingham. Motion carried.

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

- a. Approve Park Board Recommendation to add Street Light at Memorial Park.

Motion by Alder Esser second by Alder S. Brown to approve streetlight at Memorial Park. Motion carried.

Approve Special Pay Requests: None.

Approve September 2024 Account Balance Reports: Motion by Alder R. Brown second by Alder Kjos to approve the September Account Balance Reports. Motion carried.

Approve Payment of Monthly Bills: Motion by Alder Fritz second by Alder Kjos to approve monthly bills, as presented, with the invoice amount of 104,664.83 of which was paid in the amount of \$104,664.83. Upon roll call vote, all Alders present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

Adjourn: Motion by Alder Cashman second by Alder Kjos to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:31p.m.

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Brenda L. Kalish, Mayor

Patricia A. Smith, City Administrator