

A Regular Meeting of the Boscobel Common Council Monday, November 4, 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 Cody Trumm, Alder S. Brown, Alder Brian Kendall 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, Street Superintendent Luke Brown, Jayzen Brandes 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 October 21, 2024: Motion by Alder R. Brown second by Alder Kjos to approve minutes from the October 21, 2024, Common Council meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Registered Comments & Concerns: None.

Administrative Reports:

DPW Report: DPW/City Engineer Reynolds stated he has been working on the budgets. Reynolds also shared that the Parks are all prepared for the winter. Reynolds also updated that the Water Service Review has been completed by the due date of October 16, 2024, to the DNR. Reynolds further shared that 2 homeowners were notified via letter of replacement of lead pipe. Reynolds stated it is up to the homeowner to incur the cost. Reynolds closed stating that there was good volunteer effort for the new shelter being built in Depot Park.

Administrator's Report: City Administrator Smith communicated that the team is ready for the election on November 5, 2024. Smith shared the day will be busy with expected lines most of the day. Smith updated regarding the 2025 Budget. There are 2 components left to figure which are the levy limit and the expenditure restraint program. Smith has engaged with Ehlers to assist in these final calculations. Smith shared that she is expecting the budget to be approved by the Finance Committee next week. Smith is estimating Public Hearing on December 9, 2025. Smith closed stating she will be reviewing the existing 2024 financials to ensure proper posting of accounts.

Police Chief's Report: Chief Dregne updated that the new Durango Police Cruiser should arrive next week. Dregne also shared that he is stripping decals off the old K9 Squad, he will have detailed and then it will go to the Wisconsin Surplus Auction to be sold. Dregne stated he has been busy working on the 2025 Budget. Dregne also updated that his officers have been extremely busy with calls coming in. In 2023 the department ended with 267 cases. As of today's date, in 2024 they have 446 cases. Dregne is expecting the case load to double.

Library Director: None.

Mayor: None.

Review/Approve Zoning Letter Process: Motion by Alder Cashman second by Alder Kjos to approve the Zoning Letter Process with the expectation that ticketing will not be every day but frequently. Motion carried.

Discussion and Action Yield Signs to Stop Signs on North and Nevada: Motion by Alder Cashman second by Alder Trumm to approve replacing yield signs with stop signs on North and Nevada intersections. Motion carried.

Discussion and Action on Street/Alley Closing Requests:

- a. Christmas in Boscobel: Parade of Lights, December 7, 2024, 4:30pm, barricades, 2 per intersection, no parking along parade route, Boscobel Chamber of Commerce.
- b. Ratify request to block parking lot between Hideaway Bar and Accounting Associates, November 2, 2024, 11:00am to 2am, barricades and 6 picnic tables, Hideaway Sports Bar.

Motion by Alder R. Brown second by Alder Fritz to approve both street alley and closing requests. Motion carried.

Approve Licenses: None.

Discussion and Action on Committee Recommendation/Committee/Board Meetings Updates/Reports: None.

Approve September 2024 Financial Report: Motion by Alder Cashman second by Alder Kjos to approve September 2024 Financial Report. Motion carried.

Approve Payment of Monthly Bills: Motion by Alder R. Brown second by Alder Esser to approve monthly bills, as presented, with the invoice amount of \$72,156.15 of which was paid in the amount of \$72,156.15. Upon roll call vote, all Alders present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

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

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:15p.m.

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Brenda L. Kalish, Mayor

Patricia A. Smith, City Administrator