

Regular Meeting of the Boscobel Common Council
Monday, October 5, 2020, 2020, 7:00 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Boscobel, Wisconsin, was called to order by Mayor Steve Wetter at 7:00 pm. Members Present: Mayor Steve Wetter, Alder Barbara Bell, Alder Gary Kjos, Alder Steve Fritz, Alder Stephanie Brown, Alder Brenda Kalish, Alder Roger Brown, and Alder Brian Kendall. Absent: Alder Krissy Schneider.

Others Present: City Attorney Ben Wood, City Administrator Misty Molzof, Library Director Robin Orlandi (virtual), Police Chief Jaden McCullick, Engineer/DPW Mike Reynolds, Dial Editor Dave Krier, Building & Zoning Administrator Dennis Hampton.

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 09/21/2020: Motion by Alder Roger Brown, second by Alder Gary Kjos to approve minutes of the September 21, 2020 Common Council meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Citizen Comments & Concerns: Mayor Wetter explained that there has been some concern surrounding the increase in COVID-19 cases and has been thinking about declaring an Emergency Proclamation so that we could hold virtual meetings for those more comfortable with less exposure. Members of the Council were favorable to a 60-day proclamation. No action was taken.

Trick or Treat Hours: Motion by Alder Brenda Kalish, second by Alder Barb Bell to approve Trick or Treat Hours on Saturday, October 31, 2020, from 2:30 pm until 6:30 pm. Motion carried.

Exercise Option to Purchase 202 W. Oak Street: Motion by Alder Barb Bell, second by Alder Gary Kjos to approve exercising our option to purchase the building at 202 W. Oak Street for the Police Department. Motion carried.

PUD Amendment, 206-01056-0000, 400 E. Prairie Street: Motion by Alder Brenda Kalish, second by Alder Gary Kjos to approve the PUD Amendment as recommended by Plan Commission and as presented. Motion carried. Hampton reported that the plan is a workable plan and Bremmer is hoping to build three storage units this year, the additional two storage units next year, along with a Country Store.

206-00293-0000, 909 Wisconsin Avenue Raze Order: No Action was taken. Discussion was had regarding the email sent by Jeremy Faust and their status. Molzof stated that she was under the impression after the last meeting that the Fausts were not going to be living there for safety reasons, and alders agreed that was the impression that they were given at the meeting. No one was aware that the building is occupied and agreed that Hampton should tag the building. Discussion regarding disconnecting utilities was had citing safety issues. Hampton will contact the contractor Faust left contact information for and Molzof will add the approval of advertising for bids to the next Council Agenda.

Public Nuisances and status of offenders: No Action was taken. Chief McCullick reported that there are a couple of houses in the City that have 20+ cats inside and they are working on getting those cleaned up. They have been issuing letters for other public nuisances.

Phone System at City Hall: Motion by Alder Roger Brown, second by Alder Brenda Kalish to approve purchasing the Crexendo System for replacement of the phones across all City/Utility buildings/departments for \$7,006.89 out of COVID-19 Cares Act Grant funds and monthly

contract of \$563.50 per month over 60 months. Upon roll call vote, all alders present voted aye. Motion carried.

4-Way Stop Signs Purchase: Motion by Alder Brian Kendall, second by Alder Barb Bell to approve the purchase of 4-way stop signs for an approximate cost of \$3,000. Upon roll call vote, all alders present voted aye. Motion carried. Reynolds stated that there is a strip of 36 solar LED lights that will be attached to the stop signs with tape and some screws, and we will need to get either a 14' or 16' pole to ensure it is high enough that it is visible above any parked vehicles.

Dump Truck Purchase: Motion by Alder Gary Kjos, second by Alder Roger Brown to approve purchasing a dump truck from Truck Country in the amount of \$68,361 as presented. Upon roll call vote, all alders present, voted aye. Motion carried.

Change Order 2020 LeGrand Street Improvement Project: Motion by Alder Gary Kjos, second by Alder Brenda Kalish to approve the Change Order, as presented, in the amount of \$12,535.69 for the 2020 LeGrand Street Improvement Project. Upon roll call vote, all alders present voted aye. Motion carried. Reynolds stated that the majority of the change was a result of more trees being removed and new replacements.

Approve pay request for 2020 LeGrand Street Improvement Project: None, contract completion was extended to 11/10/2020 and final payment will be made prior to that.

COVID-19 / Emergency Proclamation / Virtual Meetings: None.

Operator Licenses: Motion by Alder Roger Brown, second by Alder Gary Kjos to approve Daniel Gerard Hying Operator License renewal. Motion carried.

DPW Report: Reynolds reported that TID No. 5 was approved by the Joint Review Board on 9/29/2020. Reynolds recently had a discussion with Kurt Muchow at Vierbicher regarding Capital Projects and it was decided that they should apply for Grant Funds for Warah Street / Center Street / Parker Street / E. Oak Street / Valley Street / Park Street all at one time due to our low to moderate income population. These grant funds could cover 67% of the project costs and the Utilities would cover a percentage as well, leaving minimal costs for City taxpayers; however, we would likely not have a street project next year, and could end up with a big one in 2022. Rick Ritter has submitted his retirement notice effective January 8, 2021 and the Utilities is advertising for an electric lineman next week in the paper and on some various electric utility sites with hopes of scheduling interviews the second week in November. Reynolds filed the recycling grant last week and has quite a bit of paperwork for grant filings due by October 15th. Bluff View Park play equipment is in and has been received favorably.

Administrator's Report: None.

Library Director's Report: Orlandi reported that the Library has been very busy and that the Board will be conducting second interviews with two promising candidates later this week.

Police Chief's Report: McCullick stated that the squads are on auction at WI Surplus and bids are coming in between \$7,100-\$7,200 for the two as of today.

Mayors Appointments: Motion by Alder Steve Fritz, second by Alder Gary Kjos to approve Mayoral Appointments: Tuffley Community Center Board – Glenda Reynolds, Steve Hansen, and Rev. Ryan Langner; Airport Commission – Peter James and Ken Schweiger. Motion carried.

Committee Reports: None.

Mayor Communications: None.

Schedule Committee Meetings: Finance Committee – Monday, October 12th at 6:30 pm.

Monthly bills: Motion by Alder Brenda Kalish, second by Alder Barb Bell to approve monthly bills as presented in the amount of \$176,692.20, of which are \$175,142.98 General Fund and \$1,549.22 out of Library County Funds approved by Library Board. Upon roll call vote, all alders present voted aye. Motion carried.

Adjourn: Motion by Alder Roger Brown, second by Alder Barb Bell to adjourn. Motion carried.
Meeting Adjourned at approximately 7:40 pm.

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Stephen R. Wetter, Mayor

Misty Molzof, City Administrator