

Regular Meeting of the Boscobel Common Council
Monday, January 18, 2021 at 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 Krissy Schneider, Alder Brenda Kalish, Alder Roger Brown, and Alder Brian Kendall. Absent: None.

Others Present: City Attorney Ben Wood, City Administrator Misty Molzof, Police Chief Jaden McCullick, and Engineer/DPW Mike Reynolds. Virtually present were: Dial Editor Dave Krier, Luke Brown, Linda Haney, and Robin Baumeister.

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 01/04/2021: Motion by Alder Roger Brown, second by Alder Gary Kjos to approve minutes of the January 4, 2021 Common Council meeting as presented. Motion carried 8-0.

Citizen Comments & Concerns: None.

Resolution #01-18-2021, A Resolution Combining Electoral Wards in the City of Boscobel: Motion by Alder Barb Bell, second by Alder Steve Fritz to approve Resolution #01-18-2021, A Resolution Combining Electoral Wards in the City of Boscobel. Motion carried 8-0.

Resolution #01-18-2021A, A Resolution Designating the City of Boscobel Polling Place: Motion by Alder Gary Kjos, second by Alder Roger Brown to approve Resolution #01-18-2021A, A Resolution Designating the City of Boscobel Polling Place. Motion carried 8-0.

Resolution #01-18-2021B, A Resolution Establishing the City of Boscobel 2021 Wage Rates: Motion by Alder Barb Bell, second by Alder Brenda Kalish to approve Resolution #01-18-2021B, A Resolution Establishing the City of Boscobel 2021 Wage Rates. Motion carried 8-0.

BMZ Request for Street Closing: Motion by Alder Gary Kjos, second by Alder Krissy Schneider to approve closing the parking lot at 107 W. Oak Street, as requested, for BMZ Church on Sundays through February 28, 2021 from 8:30 am until 10:15 am. Motion carried 8-0.

COVID-19 Policy: Motion by Alder Barb Bell, second by Alder Stephanie Brown to approve amending the COVID-19 Pay Policy, as presented, changing the effective date to read “September 1, 2020 until such time as determined by Administration that this policy is no longer necessary due to the decline in COVID-19 cases, vaccines are widely distributed, or the risk of exposure is lower.” Motion carried 8-0. Discussion regarding the amount of time had, and Alder Roger Brown expressed concern that employees were only given 10 days in the policy. Molzof explained that the 10 days is in addition to each employee’s bank of paid time off.

Boat Landing Improvements: Motion by Alder Barb Bell, second by Alder Brenda Kalish to approve proceeding with Layout #2 for applying for grants for boat landing improvements as recommended by Boat Landing Committee. Motion carried 8-0.

Police Policy Manual Update: Motion by Alder Steve Fritz, second by Alder Krissy Schneider to approve using Lexipol to update and maintain the Police Policy Manual at an estimated cost of \$4,400 per year, less a 10% discount and a \$2,500 reimbursement from the League of Municipalities for being a member. Total annual cost for 2021 is \$1,460. Motion carried 8-0. McCullick explained that there are new policies that have been enacted from the federal and state government requiring our policy manual to be revised. Our current policy manual does not

contain the necessary policies and needs revision. Lexipol not only provides updates, but they also provide training, and govern the policy book, which would lessen our legal liability. Attorney Wood agreed and stated that there are at least five other municipalities in the area that are moving to Lexipol for their policy manual management.

Operator Licenses: None.

DPW Report: Reynolds reported that TID #5 has been approved for creation, the 2020 LeGrand Street Project has been closed out and the \$133,000 CDBG Close \$'s left over have now been approved for use for our ADA Projects. With a little extra effort, 41 out of the 45 LMI surveys have been returned and believe we have met the requirements to apply for the grants for 2022 Street Project. Auditors will be here next week. WRTO has signed the agreement, dropped a check off, and to proceed with the project, the City will execute and send in the State/Municipal Agreement.

Administrators Report: Molzof explained the December 31, 2020 year-end pre-audit financial statements show a net overage of \$85,275.58. There will be a February Primary Election to narrow down the State Superintendent of Schools, and all of our current Alders have submitted their papers, along with Robin Baumeister in Ward 2, for the April Election.

Library Director's Report: None.

Police Chief's Report: McCullick stated that they are doing CVR's by appointment only again.

Mayors Appointments: None.

Committee Reports: None.

Mayor Communications: None.

Schedule Committee Meetings. Room Tax Committee will meet on Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

December Financials: Motion by Alder Brenda Kalish, second by Alder Gary Kjos to approve the December Financial Statements. Motion carried 8-0.

Monthly bills. Motion by Alder Roger Brown, second by Alder Gary Kjos to approve monthly bills as presented in the amount of \$581,521.34, of which are \$580,222.99 general fund, and \$12.80 out of Library County Funds approved by Library Board, \$356.05 from Donations Fund, \$82.00 from UDAG funds, and \$547.50 from TID #5. Upon roll call vote, all alders present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

Financial, medical, social, or personal history of specific persons under employment with the City of Boscobel.

Adjourn to Closed Session: Motion by Alder Brenda Kalish, second by Alder Gary Kjos to adjourn to closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(f) for the purpose of considering financial, medical, social or personal histories of disciplinary data of specific person, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies, which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or date, or involved in such problems or investigations as stated in Agenda Item #16. Motion carried 8-0.

Return to Open Session at approximately 7:44 pm.

Action on closed session matter: Motion by Alder Barb Bell, second by Alder Krissy Schneider to approve request from Ben Wellner for an unpaid leave of up to 60 days, allowing current paid time off to remain banked for when he returns to work within 60 days, deviating from Section 6.06 of the Personnel Policy Manual, Unpaid Personal Leave. Motion carried 8-0.

Adjourn: Motion by Alder Barb Bell, second by Alder Brenda Kalish to adjourn. Motion carried 8-0.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:45 pm.

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Stephen R. Wetter, Mayor

Misty Molzof, City Administrator