

Regular Meeting of the Boscobel Common Council
Monday, February 1, 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, Engineer/DPW Mike Reynolds, and virtual was Library Director Janelle Miller. Citizens present were Dr. Tom Pelz, and virtually present were 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 01/18/2021: Motion by Alder Roger Brown, second by Alder Gary Kjos to approve minutes of the January 18, 2021, Common Council meeting as presented. Motion carried 8-0.

Citizen Comments & Concerns: Alder Krissy Schneider stated that she has had some constituents express concern over the trees being cut down, where the wood is going, how City residents can get some, and employees using City equipment to haul wood to their personal residences during work time. Reynolds stated that there is currently no policy in place, and for many years the following rules have been applied: the property owner gets first choice for themselves or someone they know; if they do not want the wood and no one else has expressed an interest, then it gets taken down to the bullpen where City employees can access it on their personal time to cut it up and take it home, and the park trees have always gone to Dean Harville. If people want wood, they are to reach out to the Street Department Superintendent to be placed on a list. Pelz asked if the wood could be a source of income to the City, and Reynolds replied that we can do whatever the Council wants us to. Kendall asked if this is an issue that needs to be addressed, and Reynolds stated that this is the first year we have heard anything about it, likely due to the increased number of trees being taken down. Kalish stated that she has heard that City employees are cutting wood on City time and selling it for profit. Reynolds stated that City employees are not cutting wood for personal use during work hours. If someone has a question or concern, they should go to Mike Reynolds and/or Luke Brown, Street Department Superintendent, and if it becomes an issue, we can come up with a policy.

Resolutions: Motion by Alder Barb Bell, second by Alder Brenda Kalish to approve Resolution #02-01-2021, A Resolution Authorizing Application of Sport Fish Restoration Grant Program, Resolution #02-01-2021A, A Resolution Authorizing Application of the Recreational Boating Facilities Grant Program, Resolution #02-01-2021B, A Resolution Authorizing Application of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Grant Program, and Resolution #02-01-2021C, A Resolution Authorizing Application of the Sport Fish Restoration Grant Program (Fishing Piers). Motion carried 8-0.

Accept CDBG-PF Close Grant Award: Motion by Alder Gary Kjos, second by Alder Barb Bell to ratify acceptance of the CDBG-PF Close Grant Award of \$133,000 for the ADA Projects. Motion carried 8-0.

Delta 3 Engineering Services: Motion by Alder Gary Kjos, second by Alder Roger Brown to approve Delta 3 Engineering Services Contract for Boscobel CDBG Pool House and Municipal

Buildings Entrance ADA Improvements Project in the amount of \$40,940. Upon roll call vote, all alders present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

Delta 3 Grant Administration Services: Motion by Alder Steve Fritz, second by Alder Brenda Kalish to approve Delta 3 Grant Administration Services Contract for Boscobel CDBG Pool House and Municipal Buildings Entrance ADA Improvements Project in the amount of \$15,000. Upon roll call vote, all alders present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

Gundersen Health Systems Business Health Services Agreement: Motion by Alder Brenda Kalish, second by Alder Gary Kjos to approve the Gundersen Health Systems Business Health Services Agreement as presented. Motion carried 8-0.

Tuffley Center Space Agreement: Motion by Alder Roger Brown, second by Alder Brenda Kalish to approve the Tuffley Center Space Agreement with Grant County ADRC as presented. Motion carried 8-0.

Chamber of Commerce Space Agreement: Motion by Alder Steve Fritz, second by Alder Barb Bell to approve the Chamber of Commerce Space Agreement as presented. Motion carried 8-0.

Team Engineering Services for Multi-Use Trail Design: Motion by Alder Barb Bell, second by Alder Krissy Schneider to approve Team Engineering services for Multi-Use Trail Design, as presented, in the amount of \$138,804. Upon roll call vote, all alders present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0. Reynolds stated that this is the contract for Team Engineering to do the preliminary work necessary in expanding the trail. The WRTO has deposited \$50,000 into an account with the City that will be used to cover the costs incurred; and once that balance gets down, they will continue to replenish as necessary to cover the work to date. Since none of the trail is within City limits, the City will not be providing any in-kind on this project.

Operator Licenses: None.

DPW Report: Reynolds reported that the LMI surveys have been sent in and are under preliminary review. The Warah Street Project LMI survey is approximately 78% and the E. Oak Street Project LMI is at approximately 67%; therefore, both projects qualify for grant applications on this basis. Reynolds has been contacted by SWWRPC, the organization that is working on our Comprehensive Plan update, and the Railroad is pushing to close Railroad crossings to increase train speed. Reynolds is working on specs for a new end loader to replace the existing one that is 10 years old, and we will need to look at replacing the Leaf-Vac within 2-3 years.

Administrator's Report: Molzof reported information from Grant County COVID-19 call this afternoon, presented the 12/31/2020 Fire Department Financial Reports given by Paul Beck, and stated that the Auditors were here, and everything went well.

Library Director's Report: Miller reported that she returned back to work on Friday last week. The Library had a very productive December and January with 64 children attending the Christmas in Boscobel Gingerbread House Book Giveaway. They are looking at increasing some services and making some changes in March.

Police Chief's Report: McCullick stated that Lexapol is in process. The use of force policy has been redone and is now in compliance. He received a complaint regarding flashing light requirements on ATV's/UTV's and explained the laws to the resident who was not very receptive.

Mayor's Appointments: None.

Committee Reports: None.

Mayor Communications: None.

Schedule Committee Meetings. None.

Monthly bills: Motion by Alder Brenda Kalish, second by Alder Gary Kjos to approve monthly bills as presented in the amount of \$734,874.40, of which are \$711,810.42 General Fund, and \$921.62 out of Library County Funds approved by Library Board, \$536.05 from Donations Fund, \$82.00 from UDAG Funds, \$1,275.00 from Airport Fuel Account, \$847.50 from TID #5, and \$19,401.81 from Capital Improvements Funds. Upon roll call vote, all alders present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

Adjourn: Motion by Alder Barb Bell, second by Alder Gary Kjos to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:50 pm.

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Stephen R. Wetter, Mayor

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