

**Regular Meeting of the Boscobel Common Council**  
**Monday, June 7, 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 (Virtual), City Administrator Misty Molzof, and Engineer/DPW Mike Reynolds.

*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 05/17/2021:* Motion by Alder R. Brown, second by Alder Kjos to approve minutes of the May 17, 2021, Common Council meeting as presented. Motion carried.

*Citizen Comments & Concerns:* None.

*Annual Licenses:* Motion by Alder Kalish, second by Alder Fritz to approve annual Operator, Liquor, Cigarette, Pool Table, Mobile Home, and Salvage Licenses, per listings as provided. Motion carried.

- a. Operator Licenses: Brittney Meegan, Hollis Bloyer Laura Lee Ann Ramirez, Sarah NeCollins, Morgan Potts, Joshua Watters, Rachel Noel, Daniel Griesel, Karen Riddet, Mary Wareing, Michael Riddet, Tamara Griesel, Valerie Brandes, Violet Hoos, James Griesel, Jane Jones, Robin Baumeister, Barb Puckett, Rita Thompson, Adam Martin, Michele Olson, Kim Kalish, Michelle Pitzer, Tonyha Martin, Holly Markin, Jacinda Hecker, Lyuline Margaret Kuckkahn, Marcia Guntow, Kathleen McGinnis, Samantha Brown, Daniel Hying, Sondra Jean Ostheimer, Steven Layton, Susan Bognar, Tabatha Hillers, Terri L Herbst, Amanda Marie Vandenberg, Christopher Pitzer, Jennifer Trumm, Kathy Rutherford, Maggie Machelles Dremsa, Christeen Bailie, Patience Ray, Christopher Pitzer, Thomas O’Leary, Marci Storms, Tina Husker, Alisha Ann Wetter, Allycia Michelle Lejman, Donna Sue Martinez, Courtney Oates, Dakota Kauffman, Gregory Bell III, Kevin Leis, Lynette Kauffman, MacKenzie Kauffman, Nicole L Kauffman, Ryanne Carl, Sydney Haines, Todd Bell, Shari L Leis, Bernard Faulkner, Cheryl Lippitt, Cody Olson, Craig Sommers, Glen Updike, Cole Alan Hanson, and Dean Robert Fisher.
- b. “Class “A””: New Horizons, Chris E Bailie Agent; and Kwik Trip, Inc., Terry Lynn Herbst Agent.
- c. “Class A” / Class “A””: Hometown Liquor Store, Terri Saint Agent; Piggly Wiggly Midwest LLC, Thomas O’Leary Agent; and Waters & Woods LLC, John Borzick Agent.
- d. “Class “B””: Unique Café, Melissa Cregg Agent; Timber Lane Coffee, Tom Pelz Agent.
- e. “Class B”/Class “B””: Double K’s Bar & Grill, Brad Parish Agent; Griesel’s Central House LLC, Charles Griesel Agent; Kim’s Silver Dollar, Kim Kalish Agent; Old 61 Diner LLC, Lacie Rutherford Agent; Pat & Greg’s Pour House, Patricia Bell Agent; Bluff View Hospitality Inc., Lal Patel Agent.
- f. “Class C” Wine: Timber Lane Coffee, Tom Pelz Agent.
- g. “Class “A” Cider Only: Kwik Trip Inc, Terry Lynn Herbst Agent.
- h. Cigarette Over the Counter: Double K’s Bar & Grill, Casey’s General Store #1872, Dollar General Store, Hometown Liquor Store LLC, Kim’s Silver Dollar, Kwik Trip Inc., New Horizons Supply Cooperative (401 Elm), New Horizons Supply Cooperative BP Store (601 Elm), Pat & Greg’s Pour House, Piggly Wiggly Midwest LLC, and Waters & Woods, LLC.
- i. Pool Table: Kim’s Silver Dollar, Pat & Greg’s Pour House, and Double K’s Bar & Grill.

- j. Mobile Home Licenses: Seeley's Shady Lane, Friendly Mobile Home Park, and Evelyn Becwar.
- k. Salvage License: Joseph Napp and James Napp.

*Street Closings:* Motion by Alder Bell, second by Alder Kalish to approve street closing requests as requested: Depot Days - June 19, 2021; BMZ Church - August 1-5, 2021, and Fire Department - June 12, 2021. Motion carried.

*Pool Employees:* Motion by Alder R. Brown, second by Alder Kjos to approve pool employees: Seth Kendrick \$8.25, Trinity Steele, Kira Brownlee, and Teah Ward at \$7.50 per hour. Motion carried.

*Strand & Associates:* Motion by Alder R. Brown, second by Alder Kjos to approve Amendment No. 1 to Task Order #20-01, with Strand & Associates for Boat Landing Improvements Services increasing compensation from \$60,000 to \$92,500. Upon roll call vote, all Alders present voted aye. Motion carried.

*End Loader / Snow Blower:* Motion by Alder Bell, second by Alder Schneider to approve bid for End Loader in the amount of \$116,000 for the Case 621G with no Snow Blower through Titan Machinery. Upon roll call vote, all Alders present voted aye. Motion carried.

*Fireman's Park Ball Diamond Bid Advertising:* Motion by Alder Kjos, second by Alder S. Brown to approve advertising bids for the fence and dug outs at Fireman's Park. Motion carried. Reynolds stated that there is a group of firefighters that would like to volunteer some labor, and City Crews will also help with some of the work. The hope is to get the project done this fall as to not interrupt current schedules and playing time as well as the time necessary for the bid process and getting materials.

*DPW Report:* Reynolds reported that the parks and restrooms are open, the pool is open, and summer seems to be in full swing.

*Administrator's Report:* Molzof reported that the air conditioner compressor went out, the unit is dated 1967, and to replace it would require replacing it with a rebuilt one at an estimated cost of \$25-30,000 with a 30-day warranty on the compressor. A new condensing and air handling unit is going to run between \$150-175,000. The company stated that we could look at replacing the boiler system, A/C, and lighting, and over a 10-year period, there would be cost savings in the utilities with upgrading to a more efficient system. In the meantime, I have ordered desktop air conditioning units for staff; however, they will not be here until Monday next week. We will be getting some costs together for the next meeting. I am signed up for League of WI Municipalities three-day Clerk/Treasurer Institute on Wednesday through Friday this week and will be doing it virtual from home so as to be exposed to less interruptions. The Fire District will be holding a special meeting on July 21<sup>st</sup> to discuss future capital planning as they are in a tough place with equipment and finances right now. We are hosting the Economic Development Meeting on Wednesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, at the AmericInn. Please let me know by Friday if you plan to attend and bring your spouse/significant other. On Friday, June 25, 2021, we are having a retirement celebration for both Rick Ritter and Ben Wellner from 9-11 am at City Hall, please join us. The Community Input Sessions are winding down; participation is increasing from 26 the first week to over 40 last week. I have handed out copies of information regarding the Sesquicentennial in 2023 and some great ideas by Katrina Jones, and she is looking for people willing to help plan an event. **Donations:** *Fireman's Park Ball Diamond:* We have received \$2,709.50 in community donations including \$214.50 of which was from the food stand last week at the Community Input Session at the Blaine Gym towards the Fireman's Park Ball Diamond Upgrade – so with Patrick Thiele's 4 to 1 match – he would be donating \$10,838.00. He did reach out to me to find out

the status, and felt it was necessary to get the process started, so he has sent us \$27,500 towards the project. In total, we have \$30,209.50, and I understand that Donna Johnson has about \$3,000 in memory of Doug Johnson to donate. Total costs of the proposed project are about \$70,000 – which means we are about halfway there! If 2,000 people in this community donate \$20 – we would have it made! So, maybe if we all told someone about Patrick Thiele’s generosity, and encouraged them to donate the year they graduated – for example – I graduated in 1994, so I would donate \$19.94 – we could raise what it takes to make the upgrade with \$0 impact on the taxpayers! *Boat Landing:* In addition to this, I am planning to put a paddle out at the Boat Landing sometime this week with a picture of the proposed project in hopes of gathering donations towards that project as well – especially from those that are really using it this time of year. If we get \$1 million in grants, and the project is estimated at \$1.3 million, we only have a year to raise the \$300,000! **Hwy. 61 Speed Limit:** On Thursday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, City Staff, Local Officials, Representative Travis Tranel, and area ATV/UTV club members met with representatives from WI DOT to discuss the speed limit on Hwy. 61 from Old Hwy. 61 (south of the Bowling Alley) heading north to the end of the bridge over the Wisconsin River. We are hoping that the DOT will reduce the speed limit to 35 mph along that entire stretch for a couple of reasons: safety of our residents, especially coming off of Hwy. 61 onto Wisconsin Avenue; safety of traffic that is trying to turn into places like the Bowling Alley, Pot of Gold, Thermogas, and Gassers; ability for ATV/UTV users to travel that entire stretch; and easier access to local businesses. If you are in favor of this change, please watch for more information regarding the traffic studies and possible petitions circulating. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me anytime at (608)375-5001 ext. 100. **Newsletter:** There was a newsletter issued with the utility bills mailed out on Monday, June 7, 2021, please watch your utility bill for this newsletter filled with information about various things going on. **Adopt a Spot:** In hopes of getting people to help plant and maintain flowers around the signs coming into the city and at various areas around town.

*Library Director’s Report:* Miller submitted a written report.

*Police Chief’s Report:* McCullick submitted a written report.

*Mayor’s Appointments:* None.

*Committee Reports:* Airport Commission – will meet this week on Thursday at 7 pm at the Airport, Board of Public Works – meets tomorrow night at 5 pm, and the Tuffley Community Center Board meets tomorrow morning at 8:00 am.

*Mayor Communications:* None.

*Schedule Committee Meetings:* None.

*Monthly bills:* Motion by Alder Kendall, second by Alder Kalish to approve monthly bills as presented in the amount of \$194,122.76, of which are \$174,501.69 general fund, and \$2,328.69 out of Library County Funds approved by Library Board, \$755.76 from Donations Fund, \$7,795.00 from Room Tax Funds, and \$8,741.62 from Capital Improvements funds. Upon roll call vote, all alders present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

*Adjourn:* Motion by Alder Kalish, second by Alder Fritz to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:50 pm.

Date Published: \_\_\_\_\_

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Stephen R. Wetter, Mayor

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Misty Molzof, City Administrator