

**Organizational Meeting and A Regular Meeting of the Boscobel Common Council
Wednesday, April 20, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.**

An organizational and 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 Stephanie Brown, Alder Krissy Schneider, Alder Brenda Kalish, Alder Roger Brown, and Alder Brian Kendall. Absent at start of meeting: Alder Gary Kjos and Alder Steve Fritz - both arriving at 7:10 pm.

Others Present: Engineer/DPW Mike Reynolds, City Administrator Misty Molzof, Police Chief Jaden McCullick, City Attorney Ben Wood, Street Superintendent Luke Brown, Milt Cashman, Robin Baumeister, Sue Bacon, Tom Pelz, and Whitney Stitzer. Virtually: Dial Editor Gillian Pomplum and Linda Haney.

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 04/04/2022: Motion by Alder R. Brown, second by Alder Kalish to approve minutes of the April 4, 2022 Common Council meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Citizen Comments & Concerns: Sue Bacon stated that she intends to put 26 hanging baskets on Wisconsin Avenue, has moved six of the concrete planters to Highway 61 and asked to move two more to the highway, with a plan to move all of them to Highway 61 in future years along with the concrete benches, and come up with a plan to do wrought iron on Wisconsin Avenue. Discussion as to which committee would make this decision; members felt that improvements and services would be the best avenue.

Old Business:

Resolution #04-20-2022: Motion by Alder R. Brown, second by Alder Bell to approve Resolution #04-20-2022, A Resolution Petitioning the State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation, for federal and state aid to undertake developments at the Boscobel Municipal Airport. Motion carried.

Gary Kjos and Steve Fritz arrived (7:10 pm)

Sirens: No Action. Reynolds explained the history of the sirens, the intent of replacing them with an upgraded system; however, still keeping some old ones until they no longer work, and now three of them no longer work. The old ones were never meant to be kept forever, and they are obsolete with limited availability of replacement parts, etc. The new sirens are different, and it has been difficult for some in the community to get used to the change.

New Business:

Oaths of Office: Mayor Brenda Kalish, Alder District #1 Barb Bell, Alder District #2 Stephanie Brown, Alder District #3 Krissy Schneider, and Alder District #4 Roger T. Brown took Oaths of Office.

Resolution #04-20-2022A: Motion by Alder Kjos, second by Alder Bell to approve Resolution #04-20-2022A, A Resolution Appointing Alderperson Milton Cashman III to serve remainder of Brenda Kalish's term for District #3. Motion carried.

Milton Cashman III took oath of office.

Resolution #04-20-2022B: Motion by Alder R. Brown, second by Alder Schneider to nominate Barb Bell as Council President, authorizing Resolution #04-20-2022B, A Resolution electing Barb Bell as Council President. Motion carried.

Resolution #04-20-2022C: Motion by Alder Fritz, second by Alder Schneider to approve Resolution #04-20-2022C, A Resolution designating the official City Newspaper: The Boscobel Dial. Motion carried.

Resolution #04-20-2022D: Motion by Alder Bell, second by Alder Kjos to approve Resolution #04-20-2022D, A Resolution designating official City Depositories: Clare Bank, Community First Bank, Peoples State Bank and Local Government Investment Pool. Motion carried.

Committee Appointments: Motion by Alder Kjos, second by Alder Cashman to approve Mayor Kalish recommendation of committee appointments as follows:

- a. Finance Committee: Milt Cashman, Barb Bell, Steve Fritz, and Gary Kjos.
- b. Improvement & Services: Roger Brown, Brian Kendall, Stephanie Brown, and Krissy Schneider.
- c. Protection & Welfare: Roger Brown, Brian Kendall, Krissy Schneider, and Stephanie Brown.
- d. Personnel: Barb Bell, Steve Fritz, Milt Cashman, and Gary Kjos.
- e. Annual Appointments: Airport Commission (Barb Bell), Board of Public Works (President of Council), Board of Review (Steve Fritz), Boat Landing (Brian Kendall), Fire District (Gary Kjos), Housing Authority (Steve Fritz), Library Board (Krissy Schneider), Park Board (Stephanie Brown), CDBG-Revolving Loan Fund Committee (Finance Chair), Room Tax/Tourism Commission (Barb Bell), Planning Commission (Krissy Schneider), and Tuffley Community Center (Gary Kjos).
- f. Other Appointments: Board of Public Works-John Hennessy (5-year term), Fire District-Paul Beck (4 Year Term), Board of Review-Phil Molldrem (5-year term) and Steve Wetter (replace Mike Patchak until 2025), and Plan Commission Alternate – Jeanette Nauert.

Motion carried, 7-1 with Roger Brown opposing.

Operator License: Motion by Alder Fritz, second by Alder Schneider to approve operator license for Robert William Burgess. Motion carried.

Advertising Bids: Motion by Alder Bell, second by Alder Fritz to approve Advertising for Bids for 2022 Stump Removal. Motion carried. Reynolds stated that there are 56 stumps in the parks, span of 2,027” and 68 City-wide, span of 1,643” for a total of 3,661”. Sprague out of Fennimore recently retired; Reynolds is anticipating a price increase from previous years.

Motion by Alder Kjos, second by Alder Cashman to approve Advertising for Bids for 2022 Street Maintenance using either Slurry Seal or Micro Slurry Seal. Motion carried. Reynolds stated that using the slurry seal or micro slurry seal seems to level out the pavement a little, whereas using the chip seal does not. In addition, the micro seal is a thicker product, vehicles can drive on it quicker, and we can do some preventative maintenance before putting it on. Streets to be done include: 100 Block of Nevada Street, W. Grey Street, 100 Block of Wisconsin Avenue, Chestnut Street north from E. Kansas Street to E. Grey Street, E. North Street, Linwood Street north from E. LeGrand Street to E. DuBay Street, Lake Street from E. LeGrand Street to E. Kansas Street, E. Oak Street east from LaBelle Street to Cedar Road, and Veteran’s Drive.

DPW Report: Reynolds distributed a map showing City streets that have been reconstructed over the past 40 years and a proposed 10-year capital improvements map. Crews have been finalizing Fireman’s Park Ball Diamond. Street Construction early phases has begun with closings and

underground work to begin early May. Leaf vac bids should be ready for approval at the next meeting. Roger Brown asked Reynolds to consider leaving W. LeGrand Street west of Hwy. 61 open until after May 7th since Prom traffic intensifies in that area.

Administrator's Report: Molzof sent out this week's Admin Report for the Dial which included information about the new Mayor, building permits, City-wide clean-up, the upcoming Grant County Economic Development Meeting to be held at Boscobel Bowl & Banquet, and other upcoming meetings.

Library Director's Report: Kalish reported that the Library will be holding their bike rodeo on Saturday, April 30th. They are starting a few new programs, looking at possible expansion options, and updating library materials. Janelle submitted her report with the packet.

Police Chief's Report: McCullick stated that his report was sent out. He is dealing with public nuisances and wants to get letters out next week to give people an opportunity to clean up and get rid of stuff during City-wide clean-up. The hospital is working on a grant for a specialty service for mental health and emergency detention crisis situations which will bring in staff with the specialized training necessary. This could be a positive thing for our community.

Committee Board Meetings Updates / Reports:

Airport Commission: Bell reported that Edwards Aircraft Service was given a 60-day termination of Airport Manager Contract and the Commission is looking at hiring a Caretaker rather than a Manager.

Fire Board: Fritz reported that Hershel Marks is the new Fire Chief. The City owes 50% of the \$400,000 refurbished truck, they will not be moving forward with a new fire station at this time, and they are working on a plan for future capital improvements.

Grant County ADRC: Kjos reported that he was nominated as Chair of the ADRC Committee this year, and they are excited to have meal sites back open.

Schedule Committee Meetings: Protection & Welfare and Improvements & Services tentatively scheduled for Monday, May 2nd before Common Council.

Monthly bills: Motion by Alder Kalish, second by Alder R. Brown to approve monthly bills as presented in the amount of \$107,597.43, of which are \$107,324.03 general fund, and \$240.11 out of Library County Funds approved by Library Board, and \$33.29 from Donations Fund. Upon roll call vote, all alders present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

Adjourn: Motion by Alder Kjos, second by Alder Schneider to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:15 pm.

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Brenda L. Kalish, Mayor

Misty Molzof, City Administrator