

**A Regular Meeting of the Boscobel Common Council
Monday, October 3, 2022, at 7:00 P.M.**

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Boscobel, Wisconsin, was called to order by Mayor Brenda Kalish at 7:00 pm. Members Present: Alder Barbara Bell, Alder Gary Kjos, Alder Steve Fritz, Alder Stephanie Brown, Alder Krissy Schneider, Alder Milt Cashman, Alder Roger Brown, and Alder Brian Kendall. Absent: None.

Others Present: Engineer/DPW Mike Reynolds, City Administrator Patricia Smith, Police Chief Jaden McCullick, City Attorney Ben Wood, Library Director Janelle Miller, Street Superintendent Luke Brown, Tioni Tamling, Melisa Cornell, Whitney Stitzer, Rita Thompson, and Tom Pelz. Virtual was Joe Hart.

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 09/19/2022: Motion by Alder Kjos, second by Alder Fritz to approve minutes of the September 19, 2022, Common Council meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Citizen Comments & Concerns: None

DPW Report: Engineer/DPW Reynolds apologized for missing the meeting on September 19, 2022, due to illness. Reynolds added that he set the price of \$12,000 for the purchase of Lot 5 CSM 2152, Parcel #206-01329-0063, to Beinborn Rentals, LLC based on the size of the lot and the condition of the existing building on the property. The intention was not to keep the building for long-term but to remove and build new storage sheds. Beinborn Rentals, LLC, did not negotiate the price. The Railroad Bridge Project is scheduled for 2024 construction. WRTO will be working on Tap Grant with the City to apply in the November/December timeframe for additional funding to cover increased costs. Boat Landing Project is scheduled to start in November 2022. Grant dollars will be coming in and still waiting on third grant which has been confirmed, but not received. The City will be working on five truck bids, three ½ ton and two ¾ ton. We will be using local dealers within the area. Notification was received from WisDOT that we were not successful with the Surface Transportation Program Grant application that was part of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Funding.

Administrator Report: City Administrator Smith communicated priority is upcoming General Election on 11/08/2022. Smith is also focusing on her election certification, as well as completing additions to absentee ballots. Smith also discussed 2023 budget planning and discussions with department heads within City Hall to finalize and present recommendations to Finance Committee at a future date. Other priorities are upcoming committee meeting and employee benefit open enrollment. Smith also added that the Property Sale Process was ready to be presented to the Common Council and will be working on an upcoming sign ordinance.

Police Chief's Report: Police Chief McCullick sent report with packet that included a summary of calls from September 15, 2022 – September 29, 2022. McCullick communicated that his department is preparing for the Boscobel School Homecoming festivities. Joshua Parnell, who served with Police Chief McCullick in the U.S. Air Force, provided motivational speaking at the Boscobel and Wauzeka Schools on Friday, September 30, 2022. Police Chief McCullick said it was a wonderful experience for the students.

Library Director's Report: Director Miller communicated that they have completed a self-checkout and charging station for laptops and cell phones within the library. On September 29, 2022, the author of Tailspin, John Armbruster, was a guest speaker and signed books to a full house. The book is about WWII veteran, Gene Moran, a POW in Germany for 18 months, who was a local in our community. Miller also is focusing on the 2023 budget completion.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Kalish read a postcard from Kathy Marks, regarding compliments she made to the Hildebrand Library.

Approve Licenses (if any): None.

Street Closings: Motion by Alder Cashman, second by Alder Kjos to approve street closings for the following: East side of 1000 block of Wisconsin Avenue, Wood Law Firm to Hildebrand Library, Boscobel Homecoming Parade, October 7, 2022, starting at 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm, for elementary school seating. Police Chief McCullick stated it would be good practice for all Boscobel parades to request street closings. Motion carried.

Committee Recommendations: None

Lead Service Line Replacement Project: Motion by Alder Kjos, second by Alder R. Brown to approve the bid from Badger Environmental & Earthworks, Inc., Westby, WI, in the amount of \$32,300.00. Upon roll call vote, all alders present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

Payment and Performance Assurance: No Action. Badger Environment & Earthworks, Inc., will provide payment and performance assurances through bonding.

Amend Offer to Purchase: Motion by Alder Bell, second by Alder Kjos to approve amended offer to purchase Lot 4 of CSM No. 2152, with new closing date of October 31, 2022, to Robert J. Bremmer and Diane K. Watson. It was noted by Attorney Ben Wood that deed restriction will carry with the land. Motion carried.

City Property Purchase: Motion by Alder Kjos, second by Alder Fritz to approve purchase of Outlot 4 to Wisconsin River Welding, LLC., in the amount of \$1,000 through Quit Claim Deed. City of Boscobel to pay closing costs; buyer to execute waiver of Warranty Deed at closing. Motion carried.

Property Sale Process: Motion by Alder Bell, second by Alder Cashman to approve property sale process that will be included in every Offer to Purchase of City-owned property. Motion carried.

Pay Request: Motion by Alder Bell, second by Alder Fritz to approve pay request in the amount of \$65,689.51 to Fahrner Asphalt Sealers for the micro-seal project, including prep work of \$12,700.00; total cost of project was \$78,389.51; and pay request to Bachmann Construction for work on two doors at the Blaine Theatre and two doors at City Hall in the amount of \$30,733. Upon roll call vote, all alders present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

Monthly bills: Motion by Alder Kjos, second by Alder Cashman to approve monthly bills as presented in the amount of \$262,585.07, of which are \$41,723.58 from General Fund,

\$1,630.47 out of Library County Funds approved by Library Board, \$52.81 from Donations Fund, and \$219,178.21 out of Capital Funds. Upon roll call vote, all alders present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

Adjourn: Motion by Alder Cashman second by Alder Schneider to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:38 pm.

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Brenda L. Kalish, Mayor

Patricia Smith, City Administrator