



CITY OF DODGEVILLE

100 E Fountain St
Dodgeville, WI 53533

Regular Meeting

~Final Minutes~

Tuesday, May 5, 2020
5:30 PM

Common Council

Council Room

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the public and to the news media pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sec. 19.84, that the Common Council will hold their Regular Meeting of the City of Dodgeville on Tuesday, May 05, 2020, commencing at 5:30 PM in the Council Room, 100 East Fountain Street, Dodgeville, WI 53533. The agenda is as follows:

A Regular Meeting was called to order at 5:32 PM by Mayor Todd Novak

1. In accordance with Wisconsin Open Meeting Law, residents of the City of Dodgeville will be able to attend this meeting virtually due to the restrictions on public gatherings. Those who wish to observe the meeting online can access the meeting at the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87219611105?pwd=WDZhZGdHTlJESUICLOYvWWpVSXBJUT09>

A. Meeting ID: 872 1961 1105 Password: 780947

B. One tap mobile +13126266799,,87219611105#,,1#,780947# US (Chicago)

2. Call to Order

Due to COVID-19, the meeting was held virtually via ZOOM. Also in attendance via Zoom virtual meeting: Greg Lee, Brian Cushman, David Bauer, Brian Whitehouse, Vickie Stangel, and Pat Reilly (The Dodgeville Chronicle). Jerry Johnson attended in person at City Hall, arriving at 5:37 p.m. as he had difficulties connecting to the Zoom meeting.

PRESENT: Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Sersch, DeVoss, Mainwaring, Meuer, Johnson, Borne, Novak

ABSENT:

3. Minutes

1. Common Council - Regular Meeting - Apr 21, 2020 5:30 PM

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dan Meuer, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Roxanne Reynolds-Lair, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Sersch, DeVoss, Mainwaring, Meuer, Johnson, Borne

4. Citizen or delegation presentations, requests or comments and discussion of same, pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sec. 19.83 (2) and Sec. 19.84 (2). Ten minute limit except by consent of council. No action will be taken on any item that is not specifically listed on the agenda.

There were no citizens or delegations present.

5. Reports/Recommendations

- A. Mayor/Council President & Clerk

1. Annual Department of Revenue Room Tax Report for 2020

Mayor Novak stated the League of Wisconsin Municipalities is anticipating room tax revenues to be down 50-75% this year, due to COVID-19. The State also commented that motels may be asking for extensions on submitting the room tax receipts.

RESULT:	VIEWED
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2. WI Grilled Cheese Championship Event Update

Mayor Novak confirmed that the Wisconsin Grilled Cheese Championship Event for this year has been cancelled, due to COVID-19.

RESULT: STATEMENT

3. Census 2020 Participation

Clerk Lisa Riley provided the current Census 2020 participation rate for the City of Dodgeville at 72.2% in comparison to the Statewide rate of 64.6%. She encouraged people to respond to the Census, as funding for various entities rely on the Census numbers. The Census has been challenging since they have suspended any door-to-door contact with people, along with libraries being closed for those that do not have access to the internet/computers.

RESULT: VIEWED

4. COVID-19 Update

Clerk Lisa Riley stated that City Hall is still closed to the public. Inquiries regarding park shelter reservations, Ley Memorial Pavilion reservations, and recreation programs are coming in frequently along with request for refunds. EMS Chief Brian Cushman updated the Council that their call volume is up, supply chain of PPE is getting dried up with orders 3-4 months out, and he is working on grants for COVID-19 expenses. Police Chief David Bauer also stated supplies are hard to get and is trying to keep up with the constant changes with guidelines, ATT/First Net cellphone changeover is happening on Thursday, the front cement work at the Police Department was completed, and they are currently working on a business listing which they learned was important during the pandemic. Fire Chief Brian Whitehouse provided COVID-19 updates stating the respirators came in and they are trying to minimize traffic at the building. Library Director Vickie Stangel stated they are starting up the Book It & Bag It program again with pick up outside, new patrons are coming into the system, and the Summer Program has changed to an online program. Mayor Novak provided an update on the current status of COVID-19 happenings. He stated he talks with Beth, from the Chamber, 1-2 times/week, getting updates. Currently, DodgeFest is on hold. Farmers Appreciation is probably going to be cancelled and Pop-Up Town Square will potentially be held. Mayor Novak also updated the Council that the Einerson house is down and Rule Construction is waiting on dumpster containers, as there is a shortage with the current pandemic. The Amish farmer removed the one trailer on East Chapel Street and the City will need to pay demolition costs for the other trailer. Dave Rule is working on his schedule for removing the remaining 2 houses behind Jeffery's. There are still tenants on North Main Street, and due to the pandemic, no one can be evicted at this time to move forward.

RESULT: NO ACTION

B. Park and Rec

1. Program Status Update

Mayor Novak updated the Council on the status of some of the current programs. Currently, the playground equipment in all City parks is closed. Everything else is on hold yet, nothing has been cancelled. The City is keeping the tables up in the shelters and the basketball courts are closed. Citizens can walk on the trails in the park. The Baseball Club cancelled their tournament today. The slide was dropped off at Gary Comer Pool today.

RESULT: STATEMENT

2. Iowa Co Youth Soccer Spring 2020 Season Update-Cancellation

The City was contacted today confirming that the Iowa County Youth Soccer Spring 2020 Season has been officially cancelled by MESA. We will not charge the group. Potentially, a soccer tournament may be held July 27th.

RESULT: STATEMENT

C. Library Board

Library Director Vickie Stangel provided an update to the Council explaining that part of her staff had been furloughed. She will be bringing some of the back as things change at the library.

1. Library Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda - April 13, 2020

RESULT:	VIEWED
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2. Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes - March 9, 2020

RESULT:	VIEWED
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6. Old Business

1. Liquor License Renewal Fees

Discussion regarding liquor license fees for establishments, due to the COVID-19 shutdown of businesses/bars/restaurants. Motion by Ald. Meuer to consider waiving the Class B Beer License fee and charge the minimum of \$50 (according to State Statutes), leaving Class A license fees the same, and bring back the ordinance amendment to the next Council meeting. Second by Ald. Mainwaring. Motion passed 7-0, with Alb. Tremelling abstaining.

RESULT:	APPROVED [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Dan Meuer, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Cody Mainwaring, Alderperson
AYES:	Reynolds-Lair, Sersch, DeVoss, Mainwaring, Meuer, Johnson, Borne
ABSTAIN:	Lawrence C Tremelling

7. New Business

1. Utility Bill Adjustment for 205 E Chapel St

Motion by Ald. Meuer to approve the utility bill adjustment for 205 E Chapel Street (Jordan Uphoff-Trumpy property trailer) for a leak that was behind the washing machine, went on to the floor and ground for a refund of \$371.58. Second by Ald. Tremelling. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dan Meuer, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Lawrence C Tremelling, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Sersch, DeVoss, Mainwaring, Meuer, Johnson, Borne

2. 4425 : Randy Edge - Letter of Retirement

A letter of retirement was submitted by Randy Edge, Assessor/Building Inspector. Randy's intent is to retire effective December 28, 2020 after 34 years with the City. He started part-time in 1986 and went full-time in 1991. Motion by Ald. Johnson to accept Randy's letter of retirement and expressed appreciation for his years of service to the City and wish him well on his retirement. Second by Ald. Tremelling. Motion passed unanimously. The City will now start making a transition plan.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jerry Johnson, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Lawrence C Tremelling, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Sersch, DeVoss, Mainwaring, Meuer, Johnson, Borne

3. TID 2 Extension for Affordable Housing

Staff will be meeting with Kurt Muchow from Vierbicher on Thursday to discussion options for the TID 2 Extension for Affordable Housing. The Plan Commission will be meeting on May 27th.

RESULT:	STATEMENT
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4. TID No 3 Creation

The Council reviewed the materials forwarded by Kurt Muchow for the TID 3 Creation.

RESULT:	VIEWED
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5. Review proposed projects to be added to the Project Plan

RESULT:	VIEWED
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6. Review proposed boundary creation map

RESULT:	VIEWED
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7. Review preliminary Summary of Activities & Timeline

RESULT:	VIEWED
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8. Plan Commission Meeting-May 21 (Reed) and May 27 (TID)

Plan Commission meetings are scheduled for Thursday, May 21 for the Jason Reed CSM request and May 27th for the TID 3 Creation

RESULT:	NO ACTION
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9. 2020 Paving Projects

Greg Lee presented the following quote list of paving projects for 2020 from Iverson Construction:

Harris Park - \$94,612.00; Abundant Life Church - \$3,572.00; Ambulance Garage - \$13,203.00; Well #8 Driveway - \$2,575.00; Centennial Park - \$20,443.00; Wastewater Treatment Plant - \$6,535.00; Cemetery (add on) - \$24,322.00; Cemetery Repairs (Fine grade, water, and compact base course material) - \$14.63/SY (Pave with hot mix asphalt compacted to an average thickness of 2 1/2 inches or \$16.45/SY (Pave with hot mix asphalt compacted to an average thickness of 3 inches in two lifts)

Discussion regarding more work to be done at Harris Park next year. Motion by Ald. Johnson to approve all projects as listed, except Harris Park. Second by Ald. DeVoss. Roll Call: Ald. Reynolds-Lair - Aye, Ald. Sersch - Aye, Ald. DeVoss - Aye, Ald. Mainwaring - Aye, Ald. Meuer - Aye, Ald. Johnson - Aye, Ald. Borne - Aye, Ald. Tremelling - Aye. Motion passed 8-0 on a roll call vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jerry Johnson, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Tom DeVoss, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Sersch, DeVoss, Mainwaring, Meuer, Johnson, Borne

10. City Park Signs

Greg Lee presented an example for replacing two of the City park signs, as the current ones are very faded and aged. Motion by Ald. Meuer to approve replacing the City park signs with new aluminum signs for approximately \$500/piece. Second by Ald. Johnson. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dan Meuer, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Jerry Johnson, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Sersch, DeVoss, Mainwaring, Meuer, Johnson, Borne

11. Farmers Appreciation Day Event-Fireworks

Discussion regarding holding the fireworks even if the Farmers Appreciation Day event is cancelled, and if any changes should be made (i.e. air show only, etc.). Motion by Ald. Mainwaring to approve sponsoring the fireworks show on July 11th even if Farmers Appreciation Day is cancelled. Second by Ald. DeVoss. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Cody Mainwaring, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Tom DeVoss, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Sersch, DeVoss, Mainwaring, Meuer, Johnson, Borne

12. 51st Annual Professional Municipal Clerks Appreciation Week May 3-9, 2020

Mayor Novak read a Proclamation proclaiming May 3-9 Professional Municipal Clerks Appreciation Week and thanked Clerk Lisa Riley and Deputy Clerk Julie Abing for their all their hard work, especially following the Spring Election. Motion by Ald. Johnson to approve the proclamation as read. Second by Ald. Borne. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jerry Johnson, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Mike Borne, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Sersch, DeVoss, Mainwaring, Meuer, Johnson, Borne

13. EMS Week Proclamation May 17-23, 2020 - EMS Strong Ready Today. Preparing for Tomorrow

Mayor Novak read a Proclamation proclaiming May 17-23, 2020 as Emergency Medical Services Week with the theme EMS Strong: Ready Today, Preparing for Tomorrow and encouraged the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities. Mayor Novak thanked all members for their time, commitment, and services to the community. Motion by Ald. Tremelling to approve the proclamation as read. Second by Ald. Reynolds-Lair. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Lawrence C Tremelling, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Roxanne Reynolds-Lair, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Sersch, DeVoss, Mainwaring, Meuer, Johnson, Borne

14. National Public Works Week Proclamation May 17-23, 2020

Mayor Novak read a Proclamation proclaiming May 17-23, 2020 as National Public Works Week with the theme "It Starts Here". Mayor Novak thanked Greg Lee and the public works staff for all their work for the community. Motion by Ald. Johnson to approve the proclamation as read. Second by Ald. Reynolds-Lair. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jerry Johnson, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Roxanne Reynolds-Lair, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Sersch, DeVoss, Mainwaring, Meuer, Johnson, Borne

15. ACT 185-Waiving Interest and Penalties of Property Tax Payment Installments

The following email was received from Iowa County Treasurer Connie Johnson regarding ACT-185-Waiving Interest and Penalties of Property Tax Payment Installments:

On April 15, 2020, Governor Evers signed into law ACT 185-Waiving Interest and Penalties of Property Tax Payment installments due on or after April 1, 2020, for the 2019 tax season. The ACT allows Counties and Municipalities to pass Resolutions allowing the interest and penalty waived from the installment due date of July 31 until October 1. This would only apply to taxpayers that have paid their first installment by January 31 to earn the second installment option. All delinquent parcels will continue to accrue interest and penalty from February 1.

What does this mean for Municipalities and School Districts?

If the County signs the Resolution

- *Each Municipality will have the option to participate by also passing a Resolution.*
- *If both the Municipality and the County sign the resolution this would give taxpayers two more months to pay their second half installment without being charged interest and penalty.*
- *Iowa County could have 1-29 Municipalities participating. Creating different due dates, some will still have the July 31, and others would have October 1.*
- *This will create two settlements regardless if the Municipality decided to sign a Resolution. The first settlement will be August 20 for what was collected thru July 31, and September 20 settling in full, less specials not collected, with each taxing jurisdiction (Municipality, Schools and Tech Schools). This moves the existing full August 20 settlement to September 20.*

If the County does not sign the Resolution

- *All second installments 2019 tax payments will be due by July 31 and the County would settle in full on August 20 with all taxing jurisdictions.*

I will be discussing this resolution with our General Government Committee on May 7th and would like to get your feedback if your municipality would be considering passing a

resolution and if passed what impact this would have on both Municipalities and School Districts.

Please email me any questions or concerns.

Motion by Ald. Meuer to allow the implementation of ACT-185 and bring a resolution to the Council for action following Iowa County's decision. Second by Ald. Johnson. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dan Meuer, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Jerry Johnson, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Sersch, DeVoss, Mainwaring, Meuer, Johnson, Borne

8. Approval of Claims

1. 5.5.2020 Claims for Farmer's Saving Bank

Claims amounting to \$206,260.58 (General - \$162,718.71, Sewer - \$30,694.32, Water - \$12,847.55) were presented. Motion by Ald. Borne to approve the claims as audited. Second by Ald. Johnson. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mike Borne, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Jerry Johnson, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Sersch, DeVoss, Mainwaring, Meuer, Johnson, Borne

2. 5.5.2020 Claims for Mound City Bank Capital Acct

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mike Borne, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Jerry Johnson, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Sersch, DeVoss, Mainwaring, Meuer, Johnson, Borne

3. Council Check Report 05.05.2020

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mike Borne, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Jerry Johnson, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Sersch, DeVoss, Mainwaring, Meuer, Johnson, Borne

4. Payroll Register for 5.8.2020 Payroll

RESULT:	VIEWED
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9. Any other business as allowed by law

10. Closed Session - Pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sec. 19.85 (1)(c) for employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any City employee, for the purpose of discussing employee performance evaluations and compensation related to possible full or partial layoffs and employee medical leave

Motion by Ald. Reynolds-Lair to adjourn to Closed Session - Pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sec. 19.85 (1)(c) for employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any City employee, for the purpose of discussing employee performance evaluations and compensation related to possible full or partial layoffs and employee medical leave and to allow Greg Lee to be in attendance. Second by Ald. Borne. Roll Call: Ald. Sersch - Aye, Ald. DeVoss - Aye, Ald. Mainwaring - Aye, Ald. Meuer - Aye, Ald. Johnson - Aye, Ald. Borne - Aye, Ald. Tremelling - Aye, Ald. Reynolds-Lair - Aye. Motion passed 8-0 on a roll call vote. Convened to Closed Session at 6:35 p.m.

Motion by Ald. Reynolds-Lair to allow Clerk Lisa Riley to work from home, as needed, while on FMLA. Second by Ald. Borne. Roll Call: Ald. DeVoss - Aye, Ald. Mainwaring - Aye, Ald. Meuer - Aye, Ald. Johnson - Aye, Ald. Borne - Aye, Ald. Tremelling - Aye, Ald. Reynolds-Lair - Aye, Ald. Sersch - Aye. Motion passed 8-0 on a roll call vote.

11. Reconvene to Open Session: Any Action Needed as a Result of Closed Session

The Council did not reconvene into Open Session.

12. ADJOURNED AT 6 : 55 PM

Motion by Ald. Mainwaring to adjourn the meeting from Closed Session. Second by Ald. Johnson.
Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Lauree M. Aulik, City Clerk-Treasurer