



CITY OF DODGEVILLE

100 E Fountain St
Dodgeville, WI 53533

Regular Meeting

~Final Minutes ~

Tuesday, March 21, 2017
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, March 21, 2017, 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 5:30 PM by Mayor Todd Novak

1. Call to Order

PRESENT: Tremelling, Forseth, Sersch, Weber, Meuer, Johnson, Borne, Novak

ABSENT: James (Excused)

2. Minutes

1. Common Council - Regular Meeting - Mar 7, 2017 5:30 PM

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dan Meuer, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Jerry Johnson, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Forseth, Sersch, Weber, Meuer, Johnson, Borne
EXCUSED:	Mark James

3. 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 citizen or delegations present.

4. Reports/Recommendations

A. Mayor/Council President & Clerk

1. Iowa County Economic Development Program Letter

Iowa County would like to organize a committee of representatives from around the County that are interested in Economic Development. The City of Dodgeville will be sending Phyllis Fritsch on April 24th @ 7 PM at the Health and Human Services Building's Community Room. Mayor encouraged any Council Members that would be interested to also attend.

RESULT:	STATEMENT
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2. League of WI Municipalities Local Government 101

The League of WI Municipalities is offering a Local Government 101 one-day course providing the basic framework for Council Officials and for those who want to brush up on their knowledge of local governance. Mayor encourage any Council Members that are interested in attending to let Julie or Lisa know and they will see they get registered.

RESULT:	STATEMENT
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3. Board of Review Training-North Freedom

WMCA will be offering Board of Review Training in North Freedom on May 9th. Lisa & Julie will be attending. Dan Meuer and Mike Borne will need to update their Board of Review Training. They both seemed interested in the online training.

RESULT:	STATEMENT
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B. Police Department

1. Introduce Officer Blake Weier/Lieutenant Brandon Wilhelm/Sergeant Todd Oellerich
- Police Chief Bauer introduced his new full-time Police Officer, Blake Weier, who is replacing one of the positions vacated thru a promotion. Officer Weier started his full-time position on February 16, 2017. Officer Weier expressed appreciation for being hired by the City and is looking forward to his new position.*
- Police Chief Bauer re-introduced his new full-time Lieutenant, Brandon Wilhelm, who is replacing the position vacated by Lieutenant David Pope. Lieutenant Wilhelm started working for the Department in 2006 and started his new position as Lieutenant on March 8, 2017.*
- Police Chief Bauer re-introduced his new full-time Sergeant, Todd Oellerich, who is replacing the position vacated by Sergeant Rose Shriver. Sergeant Oellerich started working for the Department in 2007 and started his new position on March 14, 2017.*
- Chief Bauer is looking forward to new ideas and new energy. Bauer is excited about what the future will hold for the Department. There is one more officer position that they are hoping to have filled by June 2017.*

RESULT:

STATEMENT

2. Update/Request regarding Police Dept Garage Cement Work
- Chief Bauer updated the Council that the Police Department Garage Cement work will be starting tomorrow March 22nd with the new cement to be poured on Thursday, March 23rd. Cement work was budgeted in 2016 but contractor was to busy to get it done in 2016 so they will beginning tomorrow. Auditors have not closed the books yet so it will still be considered a 2016 expense and was budget for in 2016.*

RESULT:

STATEMENT

3. Update/Request Regarding Police Dept Body Camera Grant
- Chief Bauer discussed Federal Body Camera Grant that the department had received. It was a 50/50 grant with a lot of requirements that we were not fully aware of when we applied for the grant. One requirement being that we would need to send someone down to New Orleans to attend a conference with an estimated cost of \$2,900. Chief Bauer feels he can't send someone to New Orleans. With the grant we could make it work out financially but personally does not feel that we will get anything out of it and with his current staffing issues does not feel he can let someone go. Bauer sees it as all cost an no benefit. Bauer called the federal agency to see if we can't send someone to New Orleans if that would make us ineligible for the grant. Waiting to hear back.*
- Mayor Todd Novak just informed Chief Bauer that the City of Dodgeville received a \$4,000 equipment grant from the Department of Transportation that could be used towards the body camera purchase. Dodgeville Lions Club has also pledge monies for this project as well. With these two financial avenues would should be pretty close to where we need to be financially but may need a little more than the \$13,000 matching funds originally agreed upon. Not throwing the grant out yet.*

RESULT:

NO ACTION

C. Finance Committee

1. Review of Monthly Journal Entries - February
- RESULT: VIEWED
2. February 2017 Treasurer's Report
- RESULT: VIEWED
3. Permission to Use Carryover Funds for Police Dept Entry Doors
- Chief Bauer requesting carry over funds to remodel and replace doors at the Police Department. This was not a budgeted item but we have experienced some*

significant issues that brought this to bear outside of the normal budget cycle. Council approved the use of carryover funds in the amount of \$26,456.00.

RESULT:	APPROVED [6 TO 0]
MOVER:	Mike Borne, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Lawrence C Tremelling, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Forseth, Sersch, Weber, Johnson, Borne
ABSTAIN:	Dan Meuer
EXCUSED:	Mark James

D. Public Works Department

1. Authorization to Solicit Bids for Public Works Trucks

Greg reported that the Sewer Truck transmission went out and the repair is \$4,500 plus other repairs which is essentially over the value of the truck. In the past the Council had also discussed a new water truck and Greg would like to lump the two truck purchase together hoping for a better deal. Today Greg took Todd out to look at a Street Department truck that has been declared a safety hazard. Water & Sewer Trucks are 2005 models with roughly 60,000 miles on them and the Street Truck is a 1994 model.

Request is to solicit bids for 3 new trucks. One truck or van for the Water Department, one truck for the Street Department, and one truck for Public Works Director. Sewer Department will purchase the current Public Works Director's Truck as Greg does not feel he would like to put a financial burden on the Sewer Department at this time with the purchase of a new truck with its current upgrade costs to the sewer plant as the other sewer truck is not in that great of shape and may need to be replaced in the sometime distant future. Mayor & Greg recommend that all trucks be placed on a rotation schedule for future budgeting purposes. Greg is hoping for a better deal with purchasing multiple vehicles. We will try to re-coop some monies by selling the old vehicles on a Government Surplus Sale.

Motion by Larry Forseth seconded by Dan Meuer to allow Greg to solicit bids for 3 new vehicles as stated above. Motion carried.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Larry Forseth, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Dan Meuer, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Forseth, Sersch, Weber, Meuer, Johnson, Borne
EXCUSED:	Mark James

- 5. Old Business
- 6. New Business

1. New 1 Yr. Operator's License - Preston A Willis

Motion by Ald. Tremelling to approve the New 1 Year Operator's License for Preston A. Willis.. Seconded by Ald. Borne. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Lawrence C Tremelling, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Mike Borne, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Forseth, Sersch, Weber, Meuer, Johnson, Borne
EXCUSED:	Mark James

2. New 2 Year Operator License for Karita Avis (Ends June 30, 2018)

Motion by Ald. Tremelling to approve the New 2 Year Operator's License for Karita Avis.. Seconded by Ald. Forseth. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Lawrence C Tremelling, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Larry Forseth, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Forseth, Sersch, Weber, Meuer, Johnson, Borne
EXCUSED:	Mark James

3. Cemetery Brush Pile

Due to the ice storm and wind storm that have occurred already in 2017 the brush pile down at East Side Cemetery is extremely huge. Greg has gotten quotes on cost to grind up the trees and haul the chips away. The Cost is estimated to be around \$8,000 to \$10,000 including grinding and hauling the chips away. They are estimating is will take 35 semi loads to get the chips hauled away. In the past we have only spent around

\$3,500 per year but 2017 has been an exceptional year. There was discussion of other people outside of residents bringing in brush and ways to stop this. In the future the Council will be looking at alternatives.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jeff Weber, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Larry Forseth, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Forseth, Sersch, Weber, Meuer, Johnson, Borne
EXCUSED:	Mark James

4. Approve Authorized LPA Government Appointee for Highway 191 Project

In preparation of the STH 191, East Division Street Project the City of Dodgeville needs to appoint responsibility to two City of Dodgeville employees to approve the offering price by signing off on them as well as revision that may be made. The WI Department of Transportation review appraisers will approve the Project Data Book and conduct the appraisal reviews. They shall indicate approval of the appraised amount of compensation to be offered to the property owner using Offering Price Report & Submittal. Subsequently, the offering price shall be approved by City of Dodgeville employee and signed by City of Dodgeville Employee. The Administrative Revision is to be reviewed by, approved and signed by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. Then, employee will approve and Mayor will sign it.

Meuer made a motion to require City Assessor, Randy Edge to sign off on the approval of the offering price on all transactions plus any revisions that may be made and than Mayor Todd Novak will be signing off on them with City Clerk, Lisa Riley as back up for the Mayor.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dan Meuer, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Mike Borne, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Forseth, Sersch, Weber, Meuer, Johnson, Borne
EXCUSED:	Mark James

5. Disposition of Surplus Property - City Street Signs

All new street signs have been installed. We have had inquiries on the old street signs. City was approached by Terry Olson at Time & Again Vintage Store. She is willing to sell them for the City and would require a 20% commission. There are 435 old street signs and we would not like to get into selling them at City Hall. Terry has already had calls and has a list of people whom would like a particular street sign. Attorney Brownlee was asked on how we should get rid of the signs. As long as we are consistent with how we get rid of them and treat everyone the same she does not care.

Motion made by Forseth seconded by Johnson to sell the surplus Street Signs. Motion carried.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Larry Forseth, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Jerry Johnson, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Forseth, Sersch, Weber, Meuer, Johnson, Borne
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7. Approval of Claims

1. Approval of Claims for March 21, 2017

Claims amounting to \$186,118.42 (General - \$158,810.69, Sewer - \$20,918.56, and Water - \$6,388.90) were presented. Motion by Ald. Borne to approve the claims as audited. Second by Ald. Termelling. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mike Borne, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Lawrence C Tremelling, Alderperson
AYES:	Tremelling, Forseth, Sersch, Weber, Meuer, Johnson, Borne
EXCUSED:	Mark James

8. Any other business as allowed by law

None

9. Closed Session - Pursuant to Wis. State. Sec. 19.85 (1) (G) to confer with Legal Counsel for the Governmental Body who is Rendering Oral or Written Advice Concerning Strategy to be Adopted by the Body with Respect to Litigation in Which it is Involved for Purposes of Discusssing: Pending Property Tax Challenges Lands' End

Motion by Ald. Tremelling to adjourn to Closed Session - Pursuant to Wis. State Sec. 19.85 (1)(g) to confer with Legal Counsel for the Governmental Body who is Rendering Oral or Written Advice Concerning Strategy to be Adopted by the Body with Respect to Litigation in Which it is Involved for Purposes of Discussing: Pending Property Tax Challenges Land's End. Seconded by Ald. Meuer. Roll Call: Ald. Forseth-Aye, Ald. Sersch-Aye, Ald. Weber-Aye, Ald. Meuer-Aye, Ald. Johnson-Aye, Ald. Borne-Aye, Ald. Tremelling-Aye. Motion passed 6-0 on a roll call vote, with Ald. James absent. Convened to Closed Session at 6:25 PM.

10. Reconvene to Open Session: Any Action Needed as a Result of Closed Session
Motion by Borne and seconded by Johnson to allow Mayor Novak to negotiate with Lands End during a mediation being held on April 19th, 2017. Motion passed unanimously.

11. ADJOURNED AT 6 : 43 PM

Motion by Ald. Meuer to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ald. Weber. Motion passed unanimously.

Lisa Riley, City Clerk-Treasurer