

**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 15, 2022, 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 and Roll Call

PRESENT: DeVoss, Meuer, Johnson, Sersch, Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Johnson-Solberg, Weber, Novak

ABSENT:

2. Consent Agenda

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Tom DeVoss, Alderperson
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jerry Johnson, Alderperson
<b>AYES:</b>	DeVoss, Meuer, Johnson, Sersch, Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Johnson-Solberg, Weber

1. Minutes from March 1, 2022
2. Appointment of Kari McSherry to Library Board
3. Claims for March 15, 2022

*Motion by DeVoss, Second by Johnson to approve the consent agenda which includes Minutes from March 1, 2022, the appointment of Kari McSherry to the Library Board, and Claims as follows: General - \$207,532.75, Sewer - \$15,075.60, and Water - \$23,638.70 for a total of \$246,247.05.*

*Voice vote. Motion carried 8-0.*

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.

1. Matt Allen - Candidate Profile

*Iowa County Judge Candidate Matt Allen was present to speak about his qualifications and background.*

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>VIEWED</b>
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2. Rhonda R. Hazen - Candidate Profile

*Iowa County Judge Candidate Rhonda Hazen was present to discuss her skills and qualifications.*

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>VIEWED</b>
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4. Reports/Recommendations

A. Mayor/Council President & Clerk

1. Spring Election Update (April 5, 2022)

*Aulik stated that absentee ballots are in the mail and the first visit to Care Facilities occurred today with a follow up visit on March 22nd. Early in-person absentee voting will be March 22 - April 1st. Election Day is Tuesday, April 5th which means the Council Meeting will be moved to Wednesday, April 6th.*

RESULT: VIEWED

B. Other Reports and Updates

1. Library Board Presentation

HGA Architects gave a presentation regarding some library project goals as they developed a scope of the library building plans. The plans include a full renovation of the existing building and then a one story addition towards Iowa St. so that the sq. footage is expanded to meet the goal of 20,000 sq. ft. The plans include a book drop window. There is options of 36-38 parking, which would increase from 22 stalls currently there. There is a plaza that faces Iowa St near the front entrance. The main floor would include a front lobby, a Community Room that could be used privately, and various program rooms. There would be an open stair into the lower level where there would be children's programming. The building would try to mimic some of the historical buildings along Iowa St.

The total estimated price tag was \$8,220,000. The City would be looking at \$7.2M with \$1M from funds already donated towards the Library.

Council members stated that they would want to look at a coordinated effort to find, build, or renovate a new City Hall at the same time. Some of the City's existing debt will be paid down in the next couple of years, freeing up the debt levy for these new projects. DeVoss said it was good plan and addressed the needs of the Library. Reynolds-Lair stated that the City should get their plans together and not drag out the library project. Some council members stated the City should look at rental space for a temporary City Hall. The Mayor and Lee are looking at the Armory Building as potential location to move City Hall along with other departments, but are working on the Federal Government's schedule. Meuer stated he liked the plan, but not the bottom number. Sersch stated that he loves the library concept, but would not want to build a brand new City Hall on top of this building -- the City should look at finding an existing space to remodel for City Hall.

The Mayor will speak with Ehlers about the borrowing options and how the figures add up.

RESULT: VIEWED

5. New Business

1. Application for Street Use Permit: Dodgeville Chamber of Commerce

Beth Mikrut was present to discuss keeping open some streets open for Dodgefest on August 6, 2022.

Motion by Meuer, Second by Reynolds-Lair to approve the Street Use Permit for the Dodgeville Chamber of Commerce Dodgefest on August 6, 2022 contingent on approval from the PD. Roll call vote. Motion Carried.

The Chamber is also looking at the Town Square being a two week or longer period starting with Farmer's Appreciation. The Mayor will consult with the City Attorney.

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

2. Permission to fill Cemetery and Parks positions

Lee stated there will be four rehires and 3 open positions. Motion by Meuer, Second by Tremelling to fill the seasonal Cemetery and Parks positions. Voice vote. Motion carried 8-0.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Dan Meuer, Alderperson
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Lawrence C Tremelling, Alderperson
<b>AYES:</b>	DeVoss, Meuer, Johnson, Sersch, Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Johnson-Solberg, Weber

3. Permission to fill Pool and Recreation positions

Motion by Meuer, Second by Reynolds-Lair to fill the seasonal pool and recreation positions

Voice vote. Motion carried 8-0.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Dan Meuer, Alderperson
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Roxanne Reynolds-Lair, Alderperson
<b>AYES:</b>	DeVoss, Meuer, Johnson, Sersch, Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Johnson-Solberg, Weber

6. Old Business

None

7. Any other business as allowed by law

None

8. Closed Session

1. Adjourn to Closed Session pursuant to Wis. State. Stat. 19.85 (1) (e): deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session for the purposes of discussing: Sale of City Owned Property and Developer's Agreement AND Pursuant to Wis. State Statute 19.85(1) (g): conferring 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 or is likely to become involved to Discuss Potential Litigation

Motion by Johnson-Solberg, second by Weber to adjourn to Closed Session Pursuant to Wis. Stat. 1985(1)(e) for the Sale of City Owned Property and Developer's Agreement and pursuant to Wis. State Statute 19.85(1) (g): Discuss potential litigation and to allow Greg Lee to remain. Roll call vote. Motion carried 8-0.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Julie Johnson-Solberg, Councilwoman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Potsie Weber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	DeVoss, Meuer, Johnson, Sersch, Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Johnson-Solberg, Weber

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

1. Reconvene to Open Session

Motion by Meuer, Second by Johnson to reconvene to open session. Voice vote. Motion carried 8-0.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Dan Meuer, Alderperson
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jerry Johnson, Alderperson
<b>AYES:</b>	DeVoss, Meuer, Johnson, Sersch, Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Johnson-Solberg, Weber

2. Resolution 2022-04: Authorizing the Sale and Conveyance of Real Estate

Motion by Johnson, Second by Weber to approve Resolution 2022-04: Authorizing the Sale and Conveyance of Real Estate. Roll call vote. Motion carried 8-0.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Jerry Johnson, Alderperson
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Potsie Weber, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	DeVoss, Meuer, Johnson, Sersch, Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Johnson-Solberg, Weber

3. Approve Offer to Purchase and Developer's Agreement

Motion by Meuer, Second by Reynolds to approve the Offer to Purchase and Developer's Agreement for 310 N Main St.

*Roll call vote. Motion carried 8-0.*

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Dan Meuer, Alderperson
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Roxanne Reynolds-Lair, Alderperson
<b>AYES:</b>	DeVoss, Meuer, Johnson, Sersch, Tremelling, Reynolds-Lair, Johnson-Solberg, Weber

10. ADJOURNED AT 7 : 16 PM

Motion by Weber, Second by Reynolds-Lair to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote. Motion carried 8-0.

Time: 7:16

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Lauree M. Aulik, City Clerk-Treasurer