



MINUTES

Common Council Regular Meeting

Tuesday, June 2, 2026 at 5:30PM

City Hall, 410 E Leffler Street, Dodgeville, WI

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by Mayor Hottmann. Members present: Shaun Sersch, Roxanne Reynolds-Lair, Tom DeVoss, Jeff “Potsie” Weber, Mike Olson, Jerry Johnson, Julie Johnson-Solberg, Michelle Peterson. Others Present: Pat Sieling (Dodgeville resident), Logan Hanson (Vierbicher), Ben Conway (Dodgeville PD), Brandon Wilhelm (Dodgeville PD), Blake Weier (Dodgeville PD), Megan James (Recreation Director), Steve DeMuth (Dodgeville resident), Jenna Vondra (Dodgeville Chamber), Family of newly elected officers, Deb Haag (member of Dodgeville Library Board), Carrie Portz (Library Director), Roland (4 Dimensions LLC), Wendy Nipple (Dodgeville resident), Carrie Larson (representative from a Dodgeville hotel), Kurt (Vierbicher), Dylan Wadzinski (Director of Public Works)

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. OATHS OF OFFICE

1. Swearing in of Newly Hired Police Officers

Interim Clerk Wolfe performed swearing in of newly hired police officers Alex Russell and Kory Kanipes.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

2. Approval of Minutes from May 19, 2026
3. Approval of Claims from June 2, 2026
4. Approval of Dance License Renewals for 2026-2027: Dino’s ; Jeffreys House of Foolishness ; Red Room Bar & Restaurant ; MAG Entertainment ; Dodger Bowl
5. Approval of Mobile Home Park License Renewals for 2026-2027: Martin Mobile Home Park, Slaney Mobile Home Park, & Starr Mobile Home Park
6. Approval of a Special Event license for the following events: Family Fun Night hosted by Upland Hills Health on August 13, 2026 at the Ley Pavilion ; Sip N Savor hosted by Upland Hills Health on July 11, 2026 at the Ley Pavilion
7. Approval of Temporary B Alcohol Beverage License for the following events: Sip & Savor hosted by Upland Hills Health at the Ley Pavilion on July 11, 2026

Motion by DeVoss, second by Johnson to approve Consent Agenda. Voice vote 8-0. Motion carried.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT *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.*

During public comment, Dodgeville resident Steve DeMuth inquired about the status of the City Administrator position. Mayor Hottmann informed DeMuth that applications for this position were set to close on Friday, June 12th. Lastly, DeMuth inquired about the city's interest in the Driftless Area Land Conservancy and asked what their intentions with this was. Mayor Hottmann informed DeMuth that at this time, the city had no interest in this building.

Pat Sieling (Dodgeville resident) gave kudos to Gary Bay from White Rose Florist for the hanging baskets downtown. Sieling also expressed concerns to council about the extension of premises request from Bob's Bitchin' BBQ, and asked council to consider reducing this request for parking stalls to 1 or 2 instead of the 3 that they are currently allowed to take as part of this extension.

Wendy Nipple (Dodgeville resident) expressed concerns to council including ice not being removed from handicapped stall, multiple sidewalks needing to be repaired, accessibility issues with the handicap stall at the Free Clinic, delay in response from open records requests, cancellation of Ordinance Committee meeting on May 7th, 2026, ADA coordinator still not being hired by the City, concerns with new hotel coming to Dodgeville, etc.

Carrie Larson (representative from a Dodgeville hotel) expressed concerns with bringing an additional hotel into the City. Larson stated that with the limited food options in Dodgeville, Larson asked council to consider helping current hotels/motels in Dodgeville, and instead encouraged bringing other businesses like coffee shops, etc to the city.

VI. REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

8. Police Report

During the Police Report, Chief Wilhelm first gave thanks to the Council for approval of hiring of additional officers. Wilhelm then informed council that there were 323 calls for service for the month of May. Wilhelm also noted that the Ride Safe event was held at the Ley Pavilion on May 12th and 13th, and stated that 1,000+ kids attended this event. Wilhelm also gave kudos to Officer Pepper, who recently graduated 73 middle schoolers from the DARE program. Lastly, Chief Wilhelm noted that the downtown speed sign was not currently working, due to faulty batteries, but stated these would hopefully be up and running soon.

9. Chamber Update

During the Chamber report, Jenna Vondra (Chamber Director) noted that 892 paying attendees attended the Grilled Cheese Competition held in April 2026, in which people from multiple states including Wisconsin, Minnesota, Texas, etc were in attendance. Lastly, Vondra noted that they were working on re-branding, processing membership renewals, planning for the golf outing, and putting the finishing touches on the Town Square and Dodge Fest events.

10. Recreation Update

During the recreation update, Rec Director Megan James stated that the Comer Pool opened on June 1st, 2026. James stated that all pool staff were CRP trained by staff from the Dodgeville EMS. Lastly, James stated that fence signs are now hung

up at Harris Park. Lastly, James stated that she was busy with upcoming baseball and softball games in the near future.

11. Interim Clerk/Treasurer Report

During the Interim Clerk/Treasurer report, Wolfe stated that she has spent majority of her time on processing licensing paperwork, and also reminded Council members about the Board of Review meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 4th.

12. Mayor Report

During the mayor report, Mayor Hottmann reminded council members about the PBS Wisconsin taping being held at the Dodgeville Library on Wednesday, June 3rd. Mayor Hottmann had no other updates, and noted that the majority of things he had been working on recently were on the council agenda for June 2nd.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

13. Discussion and possible action to approve the developer's agreement with Dodgeville Pizza Ranch, LLC as it pertains to the constructing of a Pizza Ranch at the former truck stop.

Motion by DeVoss, second by Peterson to approve the developer's agreement with Dodgeville Pizza Ranch, LLC with minor changes on labeling for exhibits provided in additional handouts by Mayor Hottmann. Roll call vote 7-1 (Olson Voted No adding the following comment: "I know this will look nice on the edge of town, but I don't like bringing in businesses that compete with current-like businesses, and I have concerns of the longevity of Pizza Ranch."). Motion carried.

14. Discussion and possible action to approve the developer's agreement with 4 Dimensions, LLC as it pertains to the constructing of a hotel (TRU by Hilton) at the former truck stop.

Motion by DeVoss, second by Johnson to approve the developer's agreement with 4 Dimensions, LLC with minor changes on labeling for exhibits provided in additional handouts by Mayor Hottmann. Roll call vote 7-1 (Olson voted no). Motion carried.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

15. Discussion and possible action to approve the 2026-2027 Ice Wolves Contract

Motion by DeVoss, second by Weber to approve the 2026-2027 Ice Wolves contract. Roll call vote 8-0. Motion carried.

16. Discussion and possible action to approve Change Order #13 for the Dodgeville Public Library Expansion Project.

Motion by DeVoss, second by Reynolds-Lair to approve Change Order #13 for the Dodgeville Public Library Expansion Project. Roll call vote 8-0. Motion carried.

17. Approval of the following liquor license renewals for 2026-2027: Class "A" Retailers Fermented Malt Beverage & "Class A" Intoxicating Liquor License Renewals: Dodgeville Liquor Inc dba Dean's Liquor – Prakash Navadia, Agent ; Wal-Mart Stores East LP dba Walmart #847 – Kyle Swanson, Agent ; Piggly Wiggly Midwest LLC dba Piggly Wiggly Supermarket #403 – Olivia Jones, Agent ; New Horizons Supply Cooperative – Dawn M. Johnson, Agent ; Kwik Trip, Inc. dba Kwik Trip 765 – Harry G. Hying, Agent ; Kwik Trip, Inc dba Kwik Trip 340 –

Scott Oomens, Agent ; Walgreen Co dba Walgreens #10962 – Tyeshia M. McCormick, Agent

Class “B” Retailers Fermented Malt Beverage Renewals: Southern Wisconsin Huts LLC dba Pizza Hut – David A. Bailey, Agent

Class “B” Retailers Fermented Malt Beverage & “Class B” Intoxicating Liquor License Renewals: Bobs Bitchin BBQ LLC dba Bob’s Bitchin BBQ – Robert L. Page, Agent ; Dinos CAAL Service LLC dba Dino’s – Carson J. Blabaum, Agent ; Jeffreys House of Foolishness dba Jeffreys House of Foolishness – Jeffrey W. Krier, Agent ; MAG Entertainment dba Dukes Brew Pub and Ale House – Dennis J. Marklein, Agent ; The Red Room Inc dba Red Room Bar & Restaurant – Kelly I. U’Ren, Agent ; Dodger Bowl Lanes & Catering dba Dodger Bowl – Ashley E. Price, Agent ; Corralejo Mexican Grill LLC dba Corralejo Mexican Grill – Thalia H. Leon, Agent
Class “B” Retailers Fermented Malt Beverage & Class “C” Wine License Renewal: Cathryn’s Market dba Cathryn’s Market – Cathryn M. Gonyer, Agent

Motion by Sersch, second by Weber to approve 2026-2027 alcohol license renewals. Roll call vote 8-0. Motion carried.

18. Approval of Cigarette, Tobacco, and Electronic Vaping Device Retail License Renewals for 2026-2027: Dodgeville Liquor Inc dba Dean’s Liquor ; Kwik Trip, Inc dba Kwik Trip 340 ; Kwik Trip, Inc dba Kwik Trip 765 ; New Horizons Supply Cooperative ; Piggly Wiggly Midwest LLC dba Piggly Wiggly Supermarket #403 ; Walgreen Co dba Walgreens #10962 ; Hot Spot Tobacco Inc.

Motion by Sersch, second by Johnson-Solberg to approve 2026-2027 cigarette, tobacco, and electronic vaping device retail license renewals. Roll call vote 8-0. Motion carried.

19. Discussion and possible action to renew Extension of Premises requests from Bob’s Bitchin’ BBQ & Dinos CAAL Service LLC for 2026-2027

Motion by Weber, second by Johnson-Solberg to approve renewal of 2026-2027 Extension of Premises requests. Roll call vote 8-0. Motion carried.

20. Discussion and possible action of a request from Youth Emergency Services (YES) Program for reduction in daily rental fee for Ley Pavilion for an event planned for Saturday, August 8th, 2026

Motion by Sersch, second by Reynolds-Lair to approve request from Youth Emergency Services (YES) for reduction in daily rental fee of Ley Pavilion. Roll call vote 8-0. Motion carried.

21. Discussion and possible action to approve the Workspace Solutions Cooperative Acceptance Agreement with Cintas for a term of 60 months for City Hall and Dodgeville Police Department.

Motion by Weber, second by Peterson to approve the Workspace Solutions Cooperative Acceptance Agreement with Cintas for term of 60 months for City Hall and Dodgeville Police Department. Roll call vote 8-0. Motion carried.

22. Discussion and possible action on a recommendation from the mayor to appoint Beth Martin as the client representative to the City of Dodgeville Housing Authority for a term of 1 year expiring April 2027

Motion by DeVoss, second by Johnson-Solberg to approve appointing Beth Martin to City of Dodgeville Housing Authority for 1-year term expiring April 2027. Voice vote 8-0. Motion carried.

23. Discussion and possible action to grant permission to Dodgeville Police Department to purchase a shield using donation funds

Motion by DeVoss, second by Johnson-Solberg to approve purchase of police shield including carry case from RTS. Roll call vote 8-0. Motion carried.

24. Consider Special Assessment Agreement related to installation of sewer lateral at 322 West Washington Street.

Due to Public Works Director Dylan Wadzinski needing to attend additional meeting during Common Council meeting, Wadzinski asked council to consider moving this item sooner on the agenda. Motion by Reynolds-Lair, second by Johnson to move this discussion item directly after consideration/approval of library change order #13. Voice vote 8-0. Motion carried.

Additional motion by Weber, second by Olson was made to approve special assessment agreement related to installation of sewer lateral at 322 W Washington Street. Roll call vote 8-0. Motion carried.

IX. ADJOURN

25. Motion to adjourn

Motion by Sersch, second by Weber to adjourn. Voice vote 8-0. Motion carried.

Time: 6:50pm