

**CITY OF STEVENS POINT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**Community Room
933 Michigan Avenue, Stevens Point, WI**

**February 20, 2023
7:00 PM**

OR

Zoom Teleconferencing

Agenda

1. Roll Call.

Present: Ald. Christianson, Shorr, Keymer, Zarazua, Johnson (arrived at 7:25 p.m.), Plaisance, Kneebone, Shuda, Dalton, Fishler, Morrow.

Others

Present: Mayor Wiza, Clerk Yenter, Director Kernosky, Assistant Chief Rottier, Mayoral Assistant Kawski, C/T Ladick, Attorney Beveridge, Chief Moody, Director Lemke, Facility Supervisor Hylla.

2. Salute to the Flag and Mayor's opening remarks.

3. Persons who wish to address the Mayor and Council on specific agenda items other than a "Public Hearing" must register their request at this time. Those who wish to address the Common Council during a "Public Hearing" are not required to identify themselves until the "Public Hearing" is declared open by the Mayor.

4. Persons who wish to address the Mayor and Council for up to three (3) minutes regarding a non-agenda item.

Neal Wisinski, 396 Old Wausau Road, spoke about the Student Government Association's involvement with the mayoral election.

Craig Tesch, 1100 Frontenac Avenue, spoke about his political signs being damaged, keeping Church Street four lanes, and not having bike lanes installed.

5. Presentation to the Mayor and Council: Dave Medin, District 4 County Board Supervisor – County Justice Center update.

David Medin, District Four County Board Supervisor, gave an update on the County Justice Center site location.

Consideration and Possible Action on the Following:

6. Consent Agenda:

Minutes of the Common Council Meeting of January 16, 2023.

Actions of the Police and Fire Commission meeting of January 12, 2023:

3. Confirmation of Bills.

4. Discussion, with possible action, to hire William Klismith as a Patrol Officer upon

successful completion of the academy and upon successful completion of the psychological and medical screening. Expected start date of May 22, 2023.

5. Discussion, with possible action, to place Kylie Bachaus on a three-month eligibility list

upon successful graduation of the academy (due to expected officer retirement).

7. Discussion, with possible action, on the promotion of Firefighter/Paramedic Ross Oestreich to the position of Lieutenant.
8. Discussion, with possible action, on the appointment of Firefighter/Paramedic Jason Pettis to the position of Motor Pump Operator.
9. Discussion, with possible action, to approve Probationary Firefighter/Paramedics Bryan

Fisher and Jake Butler to the status of Firefighter/Paramedic with the completion of their probation this past week.

10. Discussion, with possible action, on hiring new Administrative Assistant Karyn Baxter.
11. Discussion, with possible action, on offering conditional offer of employment to Entry Level Firefighter/Paramedic Josh Boldt.

Actions of the Police and Fire Commission meeting of February 7, 2023:

4. Confirmation of Bills.
7. Discussion, with possible action, on the appointment of Firefighter/Paramedic Jeremiah Parker to the position of Motor Pump Operator.

Minutes and Actions of the Plan Commission meeting of February 6, 2023:

2. Report of the December 5, 2022 meeting of the City Plan Commission.
4. A request from David Pedelty, representing CORTA Stevens Point 2, LLC, for a Site Plan Review to construct a drive-thru coffee building on the property located at 5707 US Highway 10 East (Parcel ID 281240836240003), consistent with Ch. 23.02(2)(e)(5).6. Discussion on the City Comprehensive Plan.
7. December 2022 and January 2023 Monthly Reports.
8. Director's Report.

Actions of the Board of Water and Sewerage Commissioners meeting of February 13, 2023:

2. Approval of minutes.
3. Approval of department claims.
4. 2023 Capital Operations & Maintenance Plan.

Actions of the Airport Commission meeting of February 13, 2023:

2. Approval of minutes.
3. Approval of department claims.
4. 2023 Capital Operations and Maintenance Plan.

Actions of the Transportation Commission of February 13, 2023:

2. December 12, 2022 minutes.
3. December 2022 and January 2023 Financial/Claims report.
4. 2023 "Youth Ride Free" Summer program.

Minutes and Actions of the Board of Public Works meeting of February 13, 2023.

Minutes and Actions of the Public Policy and General Government meeting of February 13, 2023:

2. License List.

3. Request to Hold Event/Street Closing.

Minutes and Actions of the Finance Committee meeting of February 13, 2023:

- 2. Approval of a request to allocate an additional \$100,000 in funds from Tax Incremental Financing District (TID) #6 to the Facade Improvement Grant Program.**
- 4. Approval of issuance of a Request for Proposals for the City-wide Wayfinding Signage Program.**
- 5. The contract for the Boys and Girls Club has been removed at the request of the Boys and Girls Club Director and will not be considered in this meeting.**
- 6. Approval of additional funding for the Willett Arena roof project, and award of bid to Commercial Roofing in an amount not to exceed \$1,128,800.00.**
- 7. Funding for a cost-benefit study to analyze the impact of various facility options currently being considered by the County.**
- 8. Approval of Claims Paid.**

Statutory Monthly Financial Report by Comptroller/Treasurer.

Ald. Fishler moved, Ald. Shuda seconded, to pull item #3 from Public Policy and General Government for further discussion.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Christianson, Shorr, Keymer, Zarazua, Johnson, Plaisance, Kneebone, Shuda, Dalton, Fishler, Morrow.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

Ald. Dalton moved, Ald. Keymer seconded, to approve the consent agenda.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Morrow, Fishler, Dalton, Shuda, Kneebone, Plaisance, Johnson, Keymer, Shorr, Christianson.
Abstentions: Zarazua.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

- 7. The Common Council of the City of Stevens Point, WI will conduct a public hearing regarding its Community Development Block Grant – Special Projects (CDBG-SP) project for the acquisition of real property at 1300 Maria Drive, Stevens Point, WI 54481 for the purpose of renovation and redevelopment of a former convent to affordable senior and family housing units.**

The agenda for the public hearing is as follows:

- 1. Update on the status of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) project, including
an overview of the project activities completed to date and activities remaining to be completed.**
- 2. Update on the status of any residential and/or business displacement and relocation assistance activities as a result of the CDBG project, if applicable.**
- 3. Review housing needs in the community.**
- 4. Public input and feedback from community residents on the CDBG project activities.**

Director Kernosky presented the Community Development Block Grant Special Projects project for the acquisition of real property at 1300 Maria Drive.

Mayor Wiza declared the public hearing open. As no one wished to speak, the mayor closed the public hearing.

- 8. Ordinance Amendment - A request from the City of Stevens Point to amend Chapter 22, Historic Preservation and Design Review Ordinance of the Revised Municipal Code of the City of Stevens Point. Said request amends Section 22.05 for the purpose of adopting an ordinance preventing demolition by neglect.**

Ald. Keymer moved, Ald. Johnson seconded, to approve the ordinance amendment.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Christianson, Shorr, Keymer, Zarazua, Johnson, Plaisance, Kneebone, Shuda, Dalton, Fishler, Morrow.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

- 9. Ordinance Amendment - To approve the amendments in Chapter 9, Sections 9.05 and 9.06 as they relate to parking and parking signs.**

Ald. Kneebone moved, Ald. Morrow seconded, to approve the ordinance amendment.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Morrow, Fishler, Dalton, Shuda, Kneebone, Plaisance, Johnson, Zarazua, Keymer, Shorr, Christianson.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

- 10. Ordinance Amendment - To approve the amendments in Chapter 16, Section 16.06 as it relates to snow removal on sidewalks.**

Ald. Dalton moved, Ald. Morrow seconded, to approve the ordinance amendment.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Christianson, Shorr, Keymer, Zarazua, Johnson, Plaisance, Kneebone, Shuda, Dalton, Fishler, Morrow.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

- 11. To award the Ridge Road Resurfacing Project #23-06 to Stuczynski Trucking & Excavating, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$810,235.85.**

Ald. Morrow moved, Ald. Dalton seconded, to approve.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Morrow, Fishler, Dalton, Shuda, Kneebone, Plaisance, Johnson, Zarazua, Keymer, Shorr, Christianson.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

- 12. Revocable Occupancy License - To approve the license for Sentry Insurance for a high voltage line.**

Ald. Morrow moved, Ald. Fishler seconded, to approve the revocable occupancy license.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Christianson, Shorr, Keymer, Zarazua, Johnson, Plaisance, Kneebone, Shuda, Dalton, Fishler, Morrow.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

- 13. Resolution - A request from Will Seitz, representing Seitz Investment Properties, LLC, for a conditional use permit to renovate an existing commercial building into a single-family**

residence on the property located at 741 Second Street North (Parcel ID 281240820310010), consistent with Ch. 23.02(1)(g)(16)(f).

Ald. Dalton moved, Ald. Johnson seconded, to approve the resolution.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Morrow, Fishler, Dalton, Shuda, Kneebone, Plaisance, Johnson, Zarazua, Keymer, Shorr, Christianson.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

14. Resolution - A request from Angela McEatheron, representing CORTA Stevens Point LLC, for a sign variance to install a wall sign on the property located at 5657 U.S. Highway 10 East (Parcel ID 281240836230006), consistent with Ch. 25.14.

Ald. Kneebone moved, Ald. Plaisance seconded, to approve the resolution.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Christianson, Shorr, Keymer, Zarazua, Johnson, Plaisance, Kneebone, Shuda, Dalton, Fishler, Morrow.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

15. Resolution - A request to authorize City staff to submit an application to apply for an AARP Community Flagship Grant in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.

Ald. Dalton moved, Ald. Christianson seconded, to approve the resolution.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Morrow, Fishler, Dalton, Shuda, Kneebone, Plaisance, Johnson, Zarazua, Keymer, Shorr, Christianson.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

16. Adjourn into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 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) on the following:

A. Acquisition of Properties in the Town of Hull (PID 020240836-11.01, 020230801-06.01, 020240836-12, 020230801-05.01).

B. Acquisition of Property in the City of Stevens Point (281240836320102).

Ald. Morrow moved, Ald. Shuda seconded, to adjourn into closed session.

Call for the vote: Ayes: Christianson, Shorr, Keymer, Zarazua, Johnson, Plaisance, Kneebone, Shuda, Fishler, Morrow.

Nays: Dalton. Motion carried.

17. Adjournment.

Adjourned at 8:30 p.m.