

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

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

**April 17, 2023
7:00 PM**

OR

Zoom Teleconferencing

Minutes

1. Roll Call.

Present: Ald. Christianson, Shorr, Keymer, Zarazua, Johnson, Plaisance, Kneebone, Shuda, Dalton, Fishler, Morrow.

Others

Present: Mayor Wiza, Clerk Yenter, Director Kernosky, Mayoral Assistant Kawski, Chief Kussow, C/T Ladick, Director Kremer, Director Lemke, Attorney Beveridge, Chief Moody.

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.

Bob Larson, 3283 Lindbergh Avenue, spoke about the limitations of swales and asked that an agenda item be created for discussion regarding swales. Mr. Larson submitted a petition to be placed on file in the City Clerk's office.

Brock Maddox, 5421 Monroe Avenue, read a document on the operation and function of the de jure grand jury.

Fran Makarov, 2949 Lindbergh Avenue, spoke about the holes in the parking lots at Save-A-Lot and Kwik Trip.

Ald. Kneebone spoke about ways that citizens can access city information.

5. Presentation to the Mayor and Council: Cass Cousins – District Attorney: D.A. perspective on County Justice Center.

District Attorney Cass Cousins spoke about the County Justice Center.

Mayor Wiza asked the council if anyone objected to moving item number 17 of the agenda up to number 7. There were no objections.

Consideration and Possible Action on the Following:

6. Consent Agenda:

Minutes of the Common Council Meeting of March 20, 2023 and Special Common Council Meeting of April 6, 2023.

Actions of the Police and Fire Commission meeting of April 5, 2023:

- 3. Confirmation of Bills.**
- 6. Discussion, with possible action, to hire new Firefighter/Paramedic candidates, after running an entry level FF/PM interview process.**

Actions of the Park Commission meeting of April 5, 2023:

- 2. Approval of December 7, 2022 meeting minutes.**
- 3. Presentation of the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan by Rettler Corporation.**
- 4. Approval of the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan for the City of Stevens Point.**
- 7. Request to serve alcoholic beverages during roller derby bouts on May 20, June 3, July 15 and August 12 by Mid-State Roller Derby.**
- 8. Winter season division reports presented by Anne Hylla (facilities and recreation) and Scott Halvorsen (parks).**
- 9. Directors report.**

Minutes and Actions of the Plan Commission meeting of April 3, 2023:

- 2. Report of the March 6, 2023 meeting of the City Plan Commission.**
- 4. Discussion and possible acceptance of the 2023 McDill Pond Management Plan.**
- 5. Director's Report.**

Actions of the Board of Water and Sewerage Commissioners meeting of April 10, 2023:

- 2. Approval of minutes.**
- 3. Approval of department claims.**
- 4. Design contracts for 2024 Street Improvement Projects & 2024 Reconstruction Project.**

Actions of the Airport Commission meeting of April 10, 2023:

- 2. Approval minutes.**
- 3. Approval of department claims.**

Actions of the Transportation Commission of April 10, 2023:

- 2. Approval of the February 13, 2023 minutes.**
- 3. Approval of the February 2023 and March 2023 Financial/Claims report.**
- 4. Approval to offer new hire "stay on" bonuses up to \$2,000.**
- 5. Approval to offer referral bonuses up to \$500.**

Minutes and Actions of the Personnel Committee meeting of April 10, 2023:

- 3. Request to create a Deputy Fire Marshal position in the Fire Department (approved by PFC in 2022).**
- 5. Reconvene into open session for action on the request for an unpaid leave for Human Resource manager.**

Minutes and Actions of the Board of Public Works meeting of April 10, 2023.

Minutes and Actions of the Public Policy and General Government meeting of April, 10, 2023:

- 2. License List.**
- 3. Request to Hold Event/Street Closing.**

Minutes and Actions of the Finance Committee meeting of April 10, 2023:

- 3. Approval of modifications to the Edgewater Relocation Assistance Program.**
- 4. Approval of updated investment policy.**
- 5. Award Wayfinding Signage Contract to SignArt.**
- 6. Approval of contract with AVIA Design Group for the production and installation**

oversight of wayfinding signage in an amount not to exceed \$10,500.

7. Approve application of grants for business incubator.

8. Approval of Claims Paid.

10. Acquisition of the property located at 5498 Golla Road (Parcel ID 020240826-13.05) and an unaddressed parcel bounded by Golla Road and Regent Street (Parcel ID 020240826-14.03).

Statutory Monthly Financial Report by Comptroller/Treasurer.

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

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

7. Amendment to Ch. 21.03(21) Lawn Maintenance regarding permanent implementation of “No Mow May”.

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

Trevor Roark, 601 Washington Avenue, spoke in favor of the No Mow May implementation.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

8. Ordinance - Term limits for Mayor and Alderpersons.

Ald. Shuda moved, Ald. Shorr seconded, to deny the ordinance.

Craig Tesch, 1100 Frontenac, spoke in favor of term limits.

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

Nays: Dalton. Motion carried.

9. Resolution - A request from Jim Buchholz, representing the University of Wisconsin Board of Regents, to rezone three unaddressed parcels off of Vine Street (Parcel ID 281240828100812, 281240828100115 & 281240828100737) from “R-2” Single Family Residential to “C” Conservancy.

Ald. Johnson moved, Ald. Dalton 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.

10. Assignment of Amended and Restated Development Agreement of the North Side Yard Project.

Ald. Morrow moved, Ald. Kneebone seconded, to approve the agreement.

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

Nays: Johnson, Dalton, Fishler. Motion carried.

11. To award the 2023 Streets Improvement Project #23-01 to Integrity Grading and Excavating, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$4,571,465.74.

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

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

12. To award the second phase of the Emerson Park redevelopment project #23-10 to Earth Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$200,775.

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

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

13. To award the KB Willett Ice Arena building addition & Goerke Park improvement project #22-18 to Altmann Construction Company Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$2,866,500.

Ald. Fishler moved, Ald. Shorr seconded, to approve.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

14. To award the 2023 Road Resurfacing Project #23-02 to A-1 Excavating LLC for an amount not to exceed \$2,867,083.87.

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

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

15. Ordinance Amendment - To approve the amendment in Chapter 9, Section 9.05 as it relates to parking.

Ald. Shorr moved, Ald. Dalton 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.

16. Ordinance Amendment - To approve the amendment in Chapter 24, Section 24.27 as it relates to parking violations.

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

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

Nays: Dalton. Motion carried.

17. Approval of lease with the Boys and Girls Club of Portage County for space at 933

Michigan Ave.

Kevin Quevillon, 941 Michigan Avenue, spoke about the Boys and Girls Club's request for leasing the space at 933 Michigan Avenue for \$1. He shared the vision and uses proposed for the property.

Tim Gottlieb, 2208 Kozelek Road, spoke about the kids that would be using the services of the Boys and Girls Club at the proposed location.

Michael Richter, 1256 Black Bear Trail, shared the experiences his children had with the Boys and Girls Club and the changing needs of the club.

Timmy Cooper, 3209 Channel Drive, spoke about the specific programs that the new location would house and how they benefit the community.

Meg Erler, 3233 Leahy Avenue, talked about the number of children that stay within the City post childhood and the support that has been given to the Boys and Girls Club by the county and school district.

Ald. Johnson moved, Ald. Shorr seconded, to approve the lease agreement with section 4.1 amended to read "The tenant shall pay a monthly lease payment to landlord of \$1 plus monthly calculated utility costs per square foot starting May 1, 2023." Also striking the last sentence of section 4.1, all of 1.6 and all of 6.2.

Chief Kussow shared the total square feet of the building and the utility costs. He spoke about the programs that Boys and Girls offers and their plan for moving forward.

Ald. Johnson withdrew the motion.

Ald. Johnson moved, to approve the lease agreement with this change to section 4.1 amended to read "The tenant shall pay a monthly lease payment to landlord of \$1 on or before the 1st of each month starting May 1, 2023" continue to strike 6.2 and adding section 1.6 A,B,C to section 1.7 as determined and negotiated by staff.

The motion failed due to lack of a second.

The item was postponed until the May meeting.

18. Disallowance of Claim; Mike Splinter for damage to a vehicle due to pothole.

Ald. Johnson moved, Ald. Dalton seconded, to approve the disallowance of claim.

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

19. Recognition and Parting Comments from outgoing Alderpersons Dalton and Johnson.

Aldersperson Johnson and Aldersperson Dalton gave their parting comments and received plaques of recognition.

20. Adjournment.

Adjourned at 8:57 p.m.