

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE WAUSAU COMMON COUNCIL
held on Tuesday, October 25, 2022, in Council Chambers, beginning at 6:30 p.m.,
Mayor Katie Rosenberg presiding.

Roll Call

10/25/2022

Roll Call indicated 10 members present.

<u>District</u>	<u>Aldersperson</u>	<u>Present</u>
1	Lukens, Carol	YES
2	Martens, Michael	YES
3	Kilian, Tom	YES
4	Diny, Doug	YES
5	Gisselman, Gary	NV
6	McElhaney, Becky	YES
7	Rasmussen, Lisa	YES
8	Watson, Sarah	YES
9	Herbst, Dawn	YES
10	Larson, Lou	YES
11	Henke, Chad	YES

Proclamations: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M2wltHSxwSY>

Mayor Rosenberg stated the following Proclamations can be read on the city's website or within the Council Packet: October 24, 2022 as Diwali; November 1, 2022 as Extra Mile Day; November 11, 2022 as Veterans Day; November 26, 2022 as Small Business Saturday; and November, 2022 as Movember.

Presentations: Can be viewed in full on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M2wltHSxwSY>

Life Saving Award to Jim Hellrood by Police Chief Ben Bliven

Greenhouse Gas Resolution Presentation by the Sustainability, Energy & Environment Committee - John Kroll

Bond Sale Update (Phil Cossan – Ehlers) (Moody' Rating AA3; winning bid was Robert W. Baird at 3.8507%.)

Public Comment: Pre-registered citizens for matters appearing on the agenda

- 1) Joel Lewis, 11807 Turner St, spoke on the importance of solar and renewable energy and suggested the Council consider creating a climate action plan for the city.

Consent Agenda

10/25/2022

Motion by Watson, second by Herbst to adopt all the items on the Consent Agenda as follows:

22-1001 Minutes of previous meeting (10/11/22)

21-1107 Resolution of the Capital Improvements & Street Maintenance Committee Approving Assessor's Plat No. 7 (901 Townline Road, 1309 Torney Avenue, 1315 Torney Avenue and 1321 Torney Avenue)

21-1011 Resolution of the Capital Improvements & Street Maintenance Committee Approving Agreement for the Management and Maintenance of a Stormwater Facility (Apogee Wausau Group Inc. -- 7500 Stewart Avenue)

22-1009 Ordinance of the Capital Improvements & Street Maintenance Committee Amending Section 10.20.080(a) designating no parking on both sides of Excelsior Drive south of Single Avenue

22-1012 Ordinance of the Capital Improvements & Street Maintenance Committee Amending Section 10.20.080(a) designating no parking here to corner on both sides of Single Avenue from a point 250 feet east of the crosswalk at Prospect Avenue back to Prospect Avenue

03-0716 Joint Resolution of the Capital Improvements & Street Maintenance Committee and Plan Commission Amending the Official City Map to establish the new exterior lines of the realignment of 28th Avenue from Hilltop Avenue to West Wausau Avenue.

Yes Votes: 10 No Votes: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

22-1003

10/25/2022

Motion by Rasmussen, second by Martens to confirm the Mayor's Appointment of Lindsey Lewitzke to the Room Tax Commission.

Yes Votes: 10 No Votes: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

22-0910

10/25/2022

Motion by Watson, second by Lukens to adopt the Resolution of the Capital Improvements & Street Maintenance Committee Approving easement agreement with Mathew W. Aschbrenner and Kristen H. Bagnall, k/n/a Kristen H. Aschbrenner for undeveloped City of right-of-way adjacent to 1100 Highland Park Boulevard.

Lisa Rasmussen indicated the property owner, and the neighbor were present at CISM and did not appear to be at odds with one another. She stated CISM approved it with a clear understanding that what has been put up would be allowed to stay, but no additional or new construction would be allowed in the right-of-way. Lou Larson commented it was also agreed upon that if access is needed for water or sewer lines beneath this the owner will be responsible for the cost. The structure was put up without knowing it was on an easement.

Doug Diny noted it passed 3-1 at CISM and questioned who voted against it and why. Chad Henke indicated he voted no because it was put up without a permit and he felt if they had gone through the proper process we wouldn't be here right now.

Yes Votes: 9 No Votes: 1 Abstain: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

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1	Lukens, Carol	YES
2	Martens, Michael	YES
3	Kilian, Tom	YES
4	Diny, Doug	YES
5	Gisselman, Gary	NV
6	McElhaney, Becky	YES
7	Rasmussen, Lisa	YES
8	Watson, Sarah	YES
9	Herbst, Dawn	YES
10	Larson, Lou	YES
11	Henke, Chad	NO

20-0826

10/25/2022

Motion by Henke, second by Diny to adopt the Resolution of the Economic Development Committee Approving Second Amendment to Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements for Wausau East Riverfront.

Yes Votes: 10 No Votes: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

20-0826

10/25/2022

Motion by Watson, second by Lukens to adopt the Resolution of the Economic Development Committee Approving Third Amendment to Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements for Wausau East Riverfront and rescinding the Second Amendment approved May 10, 2022.

Yes Votes: 10 No Votes: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

21-1109B

10/25/2022

Motion by Watson, second by Rasmussen to adopt the Resolution of the Finance Committee Approving and Adopting the Budget for professional services related to supplemental site investigation from GEI Consultants, Inc. at 1300 Cleveland Avenue and approving Proposal for Supplemental Site Investigation and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields Clean up Grant Application.

Tom Kilian commented there are two reasons this grant is important, it allows for very aggressive remediation that doesn't necessarily come out of the city coffer when it comes to funding, but it also supports the process of citizen driven positive reuse. He questioned what the strategic advantages and disadvantages in relation to this year versus next year.

Eric Lindman stated the consultant felt since the city currently doesn't have a plan for that site the grant application at this time would not be quite as strong, but obviously the need for the cleanup is well documented already. They felt it was work applying for this

year but if for some reason it doesn't get funded and there comes a decision for that property, there is an opportunity to apply again next year with additional information.

Kilian felt it was important to have an inclusive meaningful citizen driven process and if that is to occur prior to the November 22nd deadline or simultaneously with the application there are two things that could be included, the written citizen input that has already been submitted to the city through committees and Council, but also have a public input meeting. He suggested they have language support with the assistance of city staff or the Mayor's Office for the notice in Hmong and have an interpreter available.

Yes Votes: 10 No Votes: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

12-0219 10/25/2022

Motion by Herbst, second by Lukens to adopt the Resolution of the Human Resources Committee Approving Amendment of Employee Handbook 4.07 -- Protected Service Employees.

Yes Votes: 10 No Votes: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

12-0219 10/25/2022

Motion by Watson, second by Martens to adopt the Resolution of the Human Resources Committee Approving Amendment to the Employee Handbook Section 8.04 -- Vacation. Regular Part Time Employee Vacation Accrual.

Yes Votes: 10 No Votes: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

22-1010 10/25/2022

Motion by Watson, second by Diny to adopt the Joint Resolution of the Human Resources Committee & the Finance Committee Authorizing FLSA exempt employees in the Finance and Human Resources Department the ability to earn additional compensation during the Workday implementation.

Yes Votes: 10 No Votes: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

Suspend the Rules 10/25/2022

Motion by Watson, second by Henke to Suspend 12(A) Referral of Resolutions.

Yes Votes: 10 No Votes: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

99-1220 10/25/2022

Motion by Martens, second by Rasmussen to adopt the Resolution of the Common Council Approving City's Waiver of First Right of Refusal to Repurchase Property at 840 S. 62nd Avenue (Westside Warehousing of Wausau, LLC).

Liz Brodek explained this is property in the Business Campus and as part of the standard deed restrictions we ask First Right of Refusal to Repurchase any property before it is sold to a new owner. This is a current owner in the campus making the request as they have received an offer to purchase the two properties on the agenda. She noted they just recently revised the standard deed restrictions for any sale going forward that states there is no right of first refusal needed for repurchase as long it is to another for-profit entity to make sure these properties stay on the tax roll.

Yes Votes: 10 No Votes: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

99-1220 10/25/2022

Motion by Watson, second by Henke the Resolution of the Common Council Approving City's Waiver of First Right of Refusal to Repurchase Property at 7333 Stewart Avenue (Westside Realestate, LLC).

Yes Votes: 10 No Votes: 0 Not Voting: 1 Result: PASS

Public Comment or Suggestions: None

Adjournment 10/25/2022

Motion by Watson, second by Herbst to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.

Katie Rosenberg, Mayor
Kaitlyn Bernarde, City Clerk