

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
CITY OF WEYAUWEGA  
MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Common Council of the City of Weyauwega was called to order at 6:30 p.m., on Monday, August 15, 2022 in the Weyauwega Municipal Building Council Chambers by Council President Rich Luedke filling in for Mayor Spierings.

Roll Call: Present: Rich Luedke, Kaley DuCoeur, Chris Gunderson, Bruce Goetsch, and Tim Litscher. Not present: Mayor Jack Spierings and Cameron Looker. Also present: City Administrator Jeremy Schroeder, Clerk Rebecca Loehrke, Police Chief Brandon Leschke, James Card, Frank Zabojs, Richard Rupno, Scott Jarchow, and Doug Behn. The meeting began with the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance led by Bruce Goetsch.

*Motion Litscher, second Goetsch, to approve the agenda. Motion carried with four “ayes”, zero “nays”.*

*Motion Gunderson, second Litscher, to approve the minutes of the Regular Common Council Meeting from July 18, 2022. Motion carried with four “ayes”, zero “nays”.*

**Citizen Appearances:** Library Representative, Frank Zabojs, reported that he spoke with the elevator representative and they will continue to use the elevator until something would happen to it. It is not used very often and will deal with any work on it once something happens. The board has agreed to continue on with the building construction. They have requested funds from the Marilyn Taylor Estate. The next step will be for the board to contact McMahon to get everything rolling. The library might also have to install a sprinkler system which they currently don't have.

**Public Works Committee:** *Motion Goetsch, second Gunderson, to approve a “No Thru Trucks” signs on Lake Street coming from Main Street.* Goetsch then discussed the option of installing a Class B weight limit sign instead of the No Thru Trucks sign. This would allow empty trucks coming from Star Dairy to still use Lake Street to exit if necessary. Loaded trucks would still need to go from Main Street to W Wisconsin. *Goetsch amended his motion to approve a Class B weight limit sign on Lake Street coming from Main Street, second by Gunderson. Motion carried with four “ayes”.*

**Finance Committee:** *Motion DuCoeur, second Litscher, to approve a 30 day extension to Sweetwood Builders to pull a permit, start and come to the next Finance meeting to update the committee. Motion carried with three “ayes”, and 1 “nay”.*

*Motion DuCoeur, second Litscher, to approve checks dated 07/01/2022 through 07/31/2022 totaling \$189,172.03 and the monthly financial reports. A roll call vote was taken with “ayes” from Litscher, Goetsch, DuCoeur, and Gunderson; zero “nays”. Motion carried.*

**Police, Fire, & Ambulance Committee:** Discussion and possible action on Squad Replacement Timeline Issues: Chief Leschke updated council members on events from the last storm that flooded the city streets. He has also sent out information to the council members prior to this meeting. During the heavy rain the 2016 Dodge Charger went to respond to a call at the fairgrounds. It stalled out in an intersection due to the high water. The vehicle was towed to Waupaca Mobile and they found that the vehicle sucked in a large quantity of flood water and stalled out the engine creating mechanical failure within the engine beyond repair. An engine replacement would run approximately \$6,500-\$7,000. The vehicle was approved by the full

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council to be replaced in 2023 so it doesn't seem cost effective to replace the engine and then turn around to sell it in 2023. With hail damage on the vehicle and high miles we wouldn't make enough back to cover the repair costs. Leschke proposed purchasing a 2022 Silverado which Plach Automotive has on the lot. Plach would give the City the government price and then they would cancel the 2023 Silverado that was already ordered. Peterson Dodge will then place an order for a 2023 Dodge Charger for delivery next summer. Ultimately these vehicle purchases have already been approved by City Council. The timeline on when the City is getting them just being adjusted. Schroeder reported that he can make it work in the budget with the insurance money received from the hail damage and adjustments in the budget with Associated Appraisals not doing the full reevaluation till next year. *Motion Goetsch, second DuCoeur, to cancel the 2023 Chevy Silverado and purchase the 2022 Chevy Silverado from Plach Automotive for \$45,988. Motion carried with four "ayes", zero "nays".*

**Public Health & Relief (Ordinance) Committee:** *Motion Litscher, second DuCoeur, to approve Ordinance 2022-1 amending §454-14 Stopping or parking prohibited in certain specified places. Motion carried with four "ayes", zero "nays".*

*Motion Litscher, second Gunderson, to approve increasing the grass cutting charges done by City Staff to \$125 per incident. Motion carried with four "ayes", zero "nays".*

**Recreation Committee:** *Motion Gunderson, second Litscher, to approve the Greater Waupaca Area Parks and Trails bike route through the City of Weyauwega as long as all rules set by the DOT are followed by the organization. Motion carried with four "ayes", zero "nays".*

**Public Property & Purchasing Committee:** No Action for Council

**Plan Commission:** *Motion Goetsch, second Litscher, to approve the sign permit application for Premier Community Bank at 110 W Main Street as presented. Motion carried with four "ayes", zero "nays".*

**New Business:** *Motion DuCoeur, second Litscher, to move forward with the Rail Safety Week 2022 Proclamation. Motion carried with four "ayes", zero "nays".*

**Mayor's Report:** No report

**Administrator's Report:** Administrator Schroeder reported that it is budget time. Gold Cross will unfortunately be raising their rates by \$1.89 per capita which will be about a \$2600 increase. The Gold Cross Consortium will be meeting September 1<sup>st</sup> in the Community Room at City Hall. Schroeder also reported that there will be very little room in the budget to work with which will result in some tough decisions to be made this year. Schroeder then thanked Clerk Becky Loehrke for her work on the August Partisan Primary which resulted in no issues for the City. The Swim Lake will be closing for the season on Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup>. PLC Jetting will begin jetting around the City this week.

**Police Chief's Report:** Chief Leschke reported on the following items from the department:

- 190 calls for the month from the last council meeting
- Department will be participating in Active Shooter training this month.

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- Officer Carvajal submitted her two week notice. She will be moving on to Iola for a full time position.
- Josh Pawlosky has been hired back as a part time officer and will dedicate his time to the City. He hopes to someday move into a full time position.
- The Waupaca County Fair is coming up shortly. All staffing is in place.

The meeting calendar for September was set.

**Such Other Matters as Authorized by Law:** Schroeder noted that at the August 29<sup>th</sup> Special Council Meeting he will also have a CSM map for council to approve on a slight adjust to the property line between the City and Jon Dahlke. The adjustment to the line gives the City a small little piece of property.

*Motion Goetsch, second DuCoeur, to adjourn at 7:15 pm. Motion carried with four “ayes”, zero “nays”.*

Rebecca Loehrke  
City Clerk