



**CITY OF NEW GERMANY- CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA  
FEBRUARY 20, 2024 – 7:00 PM**

**1. Opening Items**

- Call meeting to Order – 7PM
- Roll Call – Tom Mielke, Paul Roepke, Shirley Jaeger, Ty Turnquist and City Clerk. Absent – Kevin Grove.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

- Consider Approval of Agenda – **Mielke moved and, Roepke second approving agenda. The motion carried. 4/0**

**3. Consent Agenda**

- Consider Approval of February 6, 2024, Council Minutes
  - Consider Approval of Claims for Payment
  - Consider Approval of Financial Reports
- Mielke moved and, Roepke second approving the consent agenda. The motion carried. 4/0**

**4. Public Comment Period**

Open Public Comment Period – Comments are limited to 5 minutes – no guests.

**5. New City Business**

- 2023 Audit – Sara Oberloh, Auditor provided copies of the 2023 Audit and presented to Council. **Turnquist moved and, Mielke second approving the 2023 Audit as presented. The motion carried. 4/0**
- Security Bank CD rates/money market rates – invite Ehlers Investment to next Council meeting.
- City Hall – stucco & brick work quote- table until next meeting.

**6. Old City Business**

- Special Permit – Fat Boyz patio music schedule. **Turnquist moved and, Roepke second approving the Fat Boyz special permit for music on the Patio. The motion carried. 4/0**
- SEH – subdivision, plat procedure. Turnquist questioned if a public hearing is needed for the proposal of the proposed subdivision; a public hearing would not be required at this time. Planning Commission recommends approval for the plat subdivision procedure. **Mielke moved and, Turnquist second to proceed forward with the proposal of subdividing Out Lot G. The motion carried. 4/0**
- Office phone system – working on a different system for alarms, nothing to currently report.
- Misc.

**7. Officers’/Department/Staff Reports**

- Fire Department Report -  
Fire Board workshop meeting with Townships on February 29, 7 PM, virtual meeting with Ehlers tomorrow. Post as a Township Fire District meeting. Discussion with Council on billing; per unit, or per parcel, discuss with Ehlers.
  - Fire fighter LMC insurance – no insurance exclusions.
  - Fire Dept looking at a secondary food shack at Lindstrom, premade/fab type of building. Discussion on temporary building, Turnquist would like to see a plan.
  - Submitting for McLeod Power Co-op, DNR, CenterPoint, & Compeer grant for radios.
  - County will be mailing check for pull tab theft.
- Water/Sewer – Water Conservation report completed.
- Public Works –
  - 2023 Annual City Report; Noxious weeds.
  - Maintenance/Custodial Work request form – reviewed work order form.
  - Public Works reorganization – put together a workshop, February 29, 6 PM.



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**Officers’/Department/Staff Reports cont’d.**

- Misc – Paul Roepke noted the grates in the city shed are a hazard, Paul took measurements of grates, Paul will get quotes. Bucket in the city shed needs to be replaced, pay loader needs to have some hydraulic/transmission oil; \$74, for a 5 gallon. Payloader is useless the way it is, front plow is beyond repair, wing cannot be put back on, think of selling as a loader.
- Clerk Report – 2024 Solid Waste grant is \$4500.  
\$100 check from Ford Motor Company for the manual misprint.  
Public Accuracy testing on 2/22 3- 4 PM, modem testing at 6 PM, will be in and out of office on Thursday.
- Building Permits – none.

**8. Mayor City Council Reports**

- Councilmember Ty Turnquist
  - Employee review – Turnquist gave report on the Clerk review. Performance evaluation form was completed and will be in clerk’s record. Council continued discussion on the clerk’s review.  
**Turnquist moved and Mielke second approving an increase of \$2 per hour for the city clerk, retroactive to February 3, 2024. the motion carried. 4/0**
- Councilmember Thomas Mielke – no comments.
- Councilmember Kevin Grove – absent.
- Councilmember Paul Roepke – no comments.
- Mayor Shirley Jaeger – Thanked the clerk for lowering the flag.

**9. Adjourn City Council Meeting - Mielke moved and, Roepke second adjourning the meeting 8:55 PM. The motion carried. 5/0**

**Note – due to Presidential Primary the next Council meeting is March 6, 2024.**