



**CITY OF NEW GERMANY- CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA  
April 2, 2024 – 7:00 PM**

**1. Opening Items**

- Call meeting to Order -
- Roll Call – Mayor Shirly Jaeger, Council Members: Thomas Mielke, Paul Roepke, Ty Turnquist. Others: Chris Barlau Asst Fire Chief, Fire Chief Ryan Goede, City Clerk Twyla Menth.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

- Consider Approval of Agenda -  
Addition to agenda – part time office assistant. **Turnquist moved and, Roepke second with the addition to the agenda, The motion carried. 4/0.**

**3. Consent Agenda**

- Consider Approval of March 19, 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.

**5. New City Business**

- Metronet – will be sending letter to the city, informing City they will be no longer offering video services in New Germany. Would like an open house to introduce their white glove new product; would offer a streaming package, including set up and teaching on how to stream.
- Addition to agenda – part time office assistant, check with Mayer Lutheran and Lester Prairie school, and possible LeAnn Goede.

**6. Old City Business**

- Omni site – SEH thought we could include the alarm updates with the Wastewater improvement project.
- SEH Memo
  - Recommendation for application and review process – Council decided it should go to the Planning Commission first with the certified survey of the property that is to be subdivided, then PC shall bring recommendation back to Council for final approval.
- Misc – nothing additional.

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

- Fire Department Report  
New fire truck is in.  
Discussed with Legion on using upper level as the FD meeting space, Goede would like Chief meetings up there, need to order furniture.  
Connex purchase – for pull tab storage, will be inside a city owned building; Public Works 2 building (UFC shed).  
Water heater quotes – tankless \$7,825.00, gas \$2,000., electric \$2,250, standard gas \$1,250. Paul Roepke will check into, and possible Paul and Eric will install.
- Water/Sewer – Lee and I are having a webinar tomorrow with SEH on lead service lines. May 7, Jessica Hedin with SEH will be attending meeting.
- Public Works
  - Public Works reviews – Council Member Kevin Grove was absent. Discuss at next meeting.
  - PW Application status – discussed how many applicants have been received. Discussion on public works and snow plowing, possible contracting out.
  - PW employment ad – do not renew, take snow plowing out and post on website, social media, etc.



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- Misc – nothing additional.
- Clerk Report – Ordered bathroom supplies for the downstairs bathrooms; new toilet paper dispensers (universal), current one is Hillyard dispensers, you must order the toilet paper through them. Delivery fee is \$75, last time I picked the order up when I was in Hutchinson. Toilet paper is more expensive through them too, new ones will be universal for toilet paper options.
- Building Permits – none.

**8. Mayor City Council Reports**

- Councilmember Ty Turnquist – **Turnquist moved and, Mielke second to go into a closed meeting at 8:30, for discussion on Public Works. Turnquist moved and, Roepke second @ 8:46 PM to close the public works closed meeting and reconvene into the regular Council meeting. The motion carried. 4/0**
- Councilmember Thomas Mielke – no additional report.
- Councilmember Kevin Grove – absent.
- Councilmember Paul Roepke –
  - Paul voiced his concern on Public Works. Going forward Public Works needs to come to Council and explain what the needs are for equipment, prior to ordering anything. There also, needs to be a public works liaison, oversees everything, and does work orders.
  - Quote for water heater in public works – Paul will investigate the water heater.
  - Discuss PW at next meeting when Council member Grove is present.
- Mayor Shirley Jaeger – nothing further to report.

**9. Adjourn City Council Meeting – Turnquist moved and, Roepke second to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 PM. The motion carried. 4/0.**

*Respectfully submitted by City Clerk Twyla Menth.*