



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

1. Opening Items

- Call meeting to Order – **Mayor Shirley Jaeger called to order 7 PM.**
- Roll Call – Mayor Shirley Jaeger, Council Members: Ty Turnquist, Thomas Mielke, Paul Roepke, and Kevin Grove.
- Others present; Fire Chief Ryan Goede, Asst Chief Chris Barlau, Eric Roepke with Parks, Jake Floer, City Clerk Twyla Menth.

2. Approval of Agenda

- Consider Approval of Agenda – ***Mielke moved and, Roepke second approving the agenda. The motion carried. 5/0***

3. Public Comment Period

Open Public Comment Period – Comments are limited to 5 minutes.

4. Business items or New Business

- Randy & Becky Ost – not present
- County Commissioner John Fahey – was present to give updates.
 - Highway 212; advertise for bids on May 13 for the next phase, demolish of home is completed, no planned closures, may be some over night closures when the Bongard's bridge is constructed. Completion for the section is fall of 2026.
 - John has been at the state capitol trying to get additional funds for highway 5, and state highway 41, new bridge in front of Arboretum, stop lights, few environmental issues they are working on.
 - Paradise commons is open, new facility at Waconia Lake Park, access to water and shelter has additional 8 tables, access to the green facility, some are bringing larger tents for larger events. Elections link on Carver County website, groups going around on voter fraud.
- Jessica Hedin with SEH – present to give wastewater updates.
 - Jessica explained still the same position; approved facility plan, on the IUP (intended use plan), reapply to be placed on next year. Applied for PSIG last July, will need to reapply this year. WIF survey completed in January, currently no WIF funds, waiting to see if funded in bonding bill, seeking IIJA may be other avenue for assistance.
 - Put together a contract pricing for the predesign activities, continuing groundwater monitoring, geo technical report will be generated.
 - Archeological survey completed, nothing found all submitted to MPCA, once again.
 - In April awarded \$2.2 million form Emmers office, in April we submitted to Klobuchar and Smith. Bobbi Harder has made New Germany her top priority. Jessica and Twyla will be doing a webinar on June 4 and 12th with EPA for the Emmer grant. SEH will put together a list of the costs for this grant.
 - If or when we look at regionalization, we would just have to amend grant and get approved. Discussed, current wastewater plan and regionalization differences and eligibilities.
- Misc – Eric and Jake Floer were present to show the drawings for the concession stand at Lindstrom Park, next step will be pricing. Turnquist mentioned possible hood issues. Jake Floer will get a quote for cabinets, and they will start the process.

5. Officers' /Department/Staff Reports

- Fire Department Report –
 - Gov deals, need duplicate title, no marketing expenses, sells 12.5% they get we get 1.5 percent of the 12.5%, plus the remaining selling price.



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- FD and Legion had meeting; Legion will move meeting nights to Tuesday. Connex box is to arrive on Thursday. Legion would like that room for storage, put up a case and put pictures down in the hall area.
- Station upgrade quotes – Kutzke \$36,275.16, Studemann \$42,500, Mound company \$42,500, GC Builders \$39,341.00. Kutzke price was given a consideration on account of the New Germany Fire Department services over the years.
There will be some added charges for the rotten material, what extent is unknown, until you tear into it, electrical is not included in any of the bids, this is unknown at this time as well.
Grove moved and, Mielke second to go with the Kutzke bid. The motion carried. 5/0
- Water/Sewer – People Service report included in packet.
 - Every 2.5 years MN Rural Water comes, and we update the Wellhead Plan; we did this on April 30, Lee, Robyn Hoerr with Mn Rural Water, and the Clerk. We also, updated the Water Contingency supply plan. Clerk submitted everything to state, as they will be auditing for these items.
- Public Works
 - Public Work Generator – fuel tank full of algae, 100-gallon tank, 200 hours on generator, timeline for repairs and return is Memorial weekend, rig something up that the generator can come back in the event is needed. Matt at Full Throttle will service the generator once a year, bring the generator to Lester Prairie. Quotes for generator refurbish our tank is \$2,317.66, new tank is \$4902.49. ***Roepke moved and, Turnquist second to repair the tank for \$2317.66. The motion carried. 5/0***
 - Public Works reviews – ***Jaeger moved to enter the closed meeting at 8:08 PM. The motion carried. 5/0*** Discussion on public works employee review, and public works in general. ***Jaeger moved at 8:44 PM to close the closed meeting and reconvene the regular meeting. The motion carried. 5/0***
 - PW Application status – Discussion on PW position; reviewed the employment listing, Roepke stated it would be a day position, 3 days a week, (normal city business hours), try to get snowplow covered as well, Council agreed to the day position. Schedule employment interviews for May 15 and 16th, starting at 5:30 PM, ½ an hour apart and, 3 each day.
 - PW supplies – will look in shop for items.
 - Blight list – Grove will process a blight list.
 - Clen up day May 11 – Grove, Jaeger will be present to help.
 - Misc - Joe with T-Road was informed that on June 15, the Chad Smith bike run is stopping in New Germany, 600 or so motorcycles; will let Officer Hendricks know.
- Clerk Report
 - Office Assistant update and wage will be \$14.
 - Office supplies ordered; deposits slip, CTAS checks, utility billing cards.
 - Coordinated has provided information on how the FD officers can download an app to print from the office printer.
 - Ehlers investment – treasury bond swap. ***Turnquist moved and, Mielke second approving selling treasuries. 5/0***
 - Clerk out of office a ½ day on Wednesday May 8, and vacation days May 13 and 14th.
- Building Permits
 - 4/25 – roof permit 150 Broadway St E
 - 4/29 – Safe basement, 2 sump pumps, drain tile, 150 Broadway Street E
 - 5/1 - 330 Lincoln window, patio door replacement
 - 5/7 – ROW permit Metronet \$125, under 100 ft



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6. Consent Agenda

- Consider Approval of April 16, 2024, Council Minutes
Consider Approval of Claims for Payment
- Consider Approval of Financial Reports – included in report is Road Maintenance funds from Carver County \$12,699.08.

Grove moved and Roepke second approving the consent agenda. The motion carried. 5/0

7. Old Business

- Metronet agreement – ***Grove moved and Turnquist second to end the video franchise with Metronet. The motion carried. 5/0***
- ***Mielke moved and, Grove second to extend the meeting at 8:59 PM. The motion carried. 5/0***
- Gazebo Park update – deed restriction, trying to find next of kin.

8. Mayor City Council Reports

- Councilmember Ty Turnquist – nothing additional.
- Councilmember Thomas Mielke – nothing additional.
- Councilmember Kevin Grove – nothing additional.
- Councilmember Paul Roepke – Baseball Park signs up.
- Mayor Shirley Jaeger – nothing additional.

9. Adjourn City Council Meeting – Grove moved and Turnquist second adjourning the meeting at 9:17 PM. The motion carried. 5/0

Respectfully submitted by City Clerk Twyla Menth