



**CITY OF NEW GERMANY- CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 4, 2024 – 7:00 PM**

1. Opening Items

- Call meeting to Order – Mayor Shirley Jaeger called meeting to order at 7 PM.
- Roll Call – TY Turnquist, Shirley Jaeger, Paul Roepke, Thomas Mielke, Kevin Grove.
Others present: Fire Chief Ryan Goede, Asst Chief Chris Barlau, City Clerk Twyla Menth.

2. Approval of Agenda

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

3. Public Comment Period

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

4. Business items or New Business

- Misc.
 - Xcel Energy – information on public hearing

5. Officers'/Department/Staff Reports

- Fire Department Report – Received a \$2500 CenterPoint grant for radios.
- Relief will be donating up to \$1500., to the city for purchasing a fryer, warmer, and mixing bowl for cheese curds for the Lindstrom concession stand. Quote for \$1079.35, cannot exceed \$1500.00, for the cheese curd equipment, the bowls may need to be upgraded, that would be the increase from quote received.
Old tanker is now live on auction, reserve for \$5,000.00, auction closes on the 17th of June.
Car show – this Thursday, first one, place cones so fire trucks can get out if needed.
Joint Powers agreement from Carver County – this agreement is for data access, encryption radios. New Germany will be assigned their own channel, capable of monitoring and communicating with law enforcement. Chief Goede is exploring training options, Fire Department would have a certain number of encrypted radios (4), special color for those specific radios, cost is approximately \$5,861.88 at this time, per radio. Council will discuss and place back on the June 18 meeting agenda.
- Water/Sewer – still researching on the Hilda/62nd Street fund and how it may be used.
- Public Works
 - PW Applicant status – applicant wanted more money than what was offered. Reviewed the applicant list, Council had discussion.
Mielke moved and Turnquist second to offer the PW position to the next candidate that was on the applicant list. The motion carried. 5/0
 - Hilda/62nd Street manhole update – manhole report was provided in water and sewer. Dennis Henning has put 4-6 loads on Hilda, will place approximately 3-4 more and this should take the bad spots out, they will maintain afterwards. Henning has 250 State Avenue sewer line repair, and 190 Mound for I/I on their list for repairs.
- Public works needs list was reviewed; will go to the new supervisor of public works to review and order.
- Clerk Report – Started webinars with SEH on the federal grant funds, many steps to complete in the future, more webinars.
Council reviewed Met Council preliminary population and household estimates for New Germany.
- Building Permits – no permits, currently working on 1 ROW permit.

6. Consent Agenda

- Consider Approval of May 21, 2024, Council Minutes
- Consider Approval of Claims for Payment
- Consider Approval of Financial Reports
Roepke moved and, Mielke second approving the consent agenda. The motion carried. 5/0



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7. Old Business

- Kilbane Park update – heir has been found for Kilbane Park and will sign off on deed restriction. Council had a discussion on Kilbane.
- Planning Commission update – will not abolish Planning Commission, Council will be the Planning Commission, will host separate meetings and or workshops.
Roepke moved and, Mielke second approving to hire the next candidate inline for the Public Works position, pending background check. The motion carried. 5/0 Grove will correspond with applicant for paperwork and start date.

8. Mayor City Council Reports

- Councilmember Ty Turnquist – Mayor Shirley Jaeger read Council members Ty Turnquist resignation letter, effective at the conclusion of June 4 Council meeting. **Grove moved and, Roepke second approving the resignation letter of Ty Turnquist. The motion carried. 4/0**
- Councilmember Thomas Mielke – no comments.
- Councilmember Kevin Grove – no comments.
- Councilmember Paul Roepke – no comments.
- Mayor Shirley Jaeger – Eric would like to install a pole, flag by the message board. County Commissioners have discussed with Eric on installing flag. City shall pay the installation fee.
Turnquist moved and Mielke second approving the installation of a flag at County Road 33/30, by the message sign. The motion carried.5/0

9. Adjourn City Council Meeting – Mayor Shirley Jaeger adjourned the meeting at 8:26 PM. The motion carried. 5/0

Respectfully submitted by City Clerk Twyla Menth.