



**CITY OF NEW GERMANY- CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 21, 2024 – 7:00 PM**

1. Opening Items

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

2. Approval of Agenda

- Consider Approval of Agenda – **Roepke moved and, Turnquist second. The motion carried. 5/0**

3. Public Comment Period

Open Public Comment Period – Comments are limited to 5 minutes. Eric Roepke was present to invite everyone to Wednesday night at the Baseball Field, May 29, 7:15 PM. Getting prices on netting and poles.

4. Business items or New Business

- Misc.
Discussion on Joel Vinkemeier, minor subdivision of 2.2 acre building site. Council also decided going forward this will be reviewed by Council and the Planning Commission can possibly be abolished for time being, Clerk will check on this and report back.
**Roepke moved and, Mielke second approving the minor subdivision of PID # 55.0052500.
The motion carried. 5/0**

5. Officers’/Department/Staff Reports

- Fire Department Report – no title for old truck, private party would need to submit for a title, going on auction soon. Dale Kutzke three weeks out on the FD garage, Chief Goede was asking if he needs Council’s approval on colors; Fire Engine red, black shingle and white soffit.
Chief Goede circled back with the 6 potential fire fighter members that showed interest in the past years.
- Water/Sewer – Hennings would replace the manholes on 62nd street that have bad grout and rainwater is seeping into the system. Hennings quoted the price of the manhole and patching the tar would be \$2,000 - \$2,500.00 per manhole. Checks with Ehlers how the Black Forest Hilda/62nd Street fund can be used.
- Public Works
 - PW Application status – Grove had an applicant candidate list, Council reviewed, discussion on candidates, and the interview process. Council member Grove gave his top 3 applicants, and Council member Turnquist gave his recommendation. Council agreed on offering the position to candidate #2.
**Grove moved and, Turnquist second to hire candidate #2 for the Public Works Supervisor position.
Roepke – yes
Mielke – yes
Grove – yes
Turnquist – yes
Jaeger – yes
The motion passed. 5/0**
 - Hilda/62nd Street
 - Resolution 2024-09 – did not use Resolution. Check with Ehlers on unallocated funds, Henning’s to keep maintaining Hilda as they currently are.
 - Generator – Kevin Grove provided an update on status of generator repair. Discussion on leaving generator at lift station; decided new employee can bring it out there for People service and bring it back to the city shed when testing completed.
 - Public works garage door repair - \$2,389.00, 4 new sections, rollers, track, repairs to the garage door, framing may be additional. **Grove moved and, Roepke second approving the quote for the repairs on the Public Works garage door. The motion carried. 5/0**



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OFFICERS/STAFF REPORT CONT'D

- Clerk Report – Lindstrom Park centerfield flag needs to be replaced.
- Building Permits – none to report.

6. Consent Agenda

- Consider Approval of May 7, 2024, Council Minutes
- Consider Approval of Claims for Payment
- Consider Approval of Financial Reports

Mielke moved and, Turnquist second approving consent agenda. The motion carried. 5/0

7. Old Business

- Kilbane Park update – City Attorney is sending notary document to heirs. Verify with attorney property can be sold with no advertisement of selling.

8. Mayor City Council Reports

- Councilmember Ty Turnquist – June 4 or 18th will be Ty Turnquist last meeting. Will need to declare a Council Vacancy after resignation has been received and accepted.
- Councilmember Thomas Mielke – nothing additional.
- Councilmember Kevin Grove – nothing additional.
- Councilmember Paul Roepke – Paul will do the mosquito spraying, pay for product, donate labor.
- Mayor Shirley Jaeger – nothing additional.

9. Adjourn City Council Meeting- Mayor Jaeger moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 PM. The motion carried. 5/0

Respectfully submitted by City Clerk Twyla Menth.