



**CITY OF NEW GERMANYS - CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 3, 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; Thomas Mielke, Paul Roepke, Lorn Herrmann, absent Kevin Grove. . Others Present; Fire Chief Goede, Asst Chief/PW Chris Barlau, City Clerk Twyla Menth, Mark Hildahl resident.

2. Approval of Agenda

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

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

Mark Hildahl – questions on a nuisance letter received regarding poultry, Mark questioned if chickens were allowed; City Code 90.12 Livestock is not allowed in the City of New Germany. Mark noted the address is incorrect on the letter. Mark has changed garbage container size, still being charged for the larger one, please correct and credit account.

4. Business items or New Business

- Fat Boyz – September Special event permits (6) – **Mielke moved and Roepke second approving the special permits allowing Fat Boyz amplified music on the patio. The motion carried. 4/0**
Relief Fundraiser fireworks – **Roepke moved and Mielke second approving the fire works special permit for September 28, 2024, at Lindstrom Park as part of the Relief Association fundraiser event. The motion carried. 4/0**
- 190 State Avenue S vacate easement information – Grove’s Automotive and the parking lot that is directly to the south, combine the two lots into one lot. Preliminary items have been sent to the attorney, Grove will be responsible for the any cost associated with the lot combination, attorney is out until September 12.
- Misc – no additional items.

5. Officers’/Department/Staff Reports

- Fire Department Report
 - Tanker has been sold \$5,000.00.
 - DNR grant - \$5,000 awarded. Applied for Compeer grant should know in September.
 - Dale Kutzke starts next week on the Fire garage, tear off fascia, soffit, and residing.
 - Resolution 2024-16 Sale of 1994 F700 Tanker – **Mielke moved and Herrmann second the sale of the 1994 F700 Tanker in the amount of \$5,000.00. The motion carried. 4/0**
- Water/Sewer – Discussion on generator and future maintenance of generator; Lucas with Advanced Power will be attending the next meeting.
- Public Works –
 - garage door on cold side was replaced, now there is a garage door opener issue.
 - 20 Fire Hydrants left to paint, question on fire hydrant flags.
 - Garage door on other side the capacitor went out, should be in tomorrow.
 - Electrical wire spool questions in the PW building.
 - Start working on painting curbing and storm drains.
 - Hauled 2 loads of branches to Mayer.
- Misc – Angela Evans was present to discuss the nuisance letter she received on the unlicensed vehicles, not on impervious surface, and overgrown vegetation; Angela is working on the issues, 1 vehicle removed, other is leaving, getting vehicles licensed, bought new lawn mower, trimming trees, will be working on issues.
- Clerk Report
 - Elections report – Primary went well, new Election judges did well, hoping for a smooth, busy General Election.
 - Misc – Kilbane update & discussion, Gazebo can be removed at any time.



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5. Officers’/Department/Staff Reports – cont’d

- Building Permits – 150 Broadway St E, apartment above mechanical permit

6. Consent Agenda

- Consider Approval of August 20, 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. 4/0

7. Old Business

- Carver County Property Owners Report – information provided; they are restructuring to determine the amount of impact from the city storm drain and will distribute cost share estimates for the flow and or use of County Ditch 9, (this is where the storm water flows County Ditch 9).
- Misc – discussion on Livestock Ordinance, chickens are not allowed; it was noted there are additional chickens in the city. It is the city council’s obligation to uphold and enforce the city code. Send letters to all who have poultry, if one receives a letter, all who harbor poultry should receive a letter.

8. Mayor City Council Reports

- Councilmember Kevin Grove – absent.
- Councilmember Thomas Mielke – Tom questioned the status of net on fence at the baseball park; it is in the works for spring of 2025.
- Councilmember Paul Roepke – quick discussion on PW fuel tank; leave as is.
- Councilmember Lorn Herrmann – no additional comments.
- Mayor Shirley Jaeger – no additional comments.

9. Adjourn City Council Meeting – Roepke moved and Herrmann second adjourning the meeting at 8:15 PM. The motion carried. 4/0

Respectfully submitted by City Clerk, Twyla Menth.