



**CITY OF NEW GERMANY- CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 1, 2025 – 7:00 PM**

1. Opening Items

- Call meeting to Order – Mayor Shirley Jaeger at 7 PM.
- Roll Call – **Mayor Shirley Jaeger, Council Members Lorn Hermann, Paul Roepke, Thomas Mielke, and Kevin Grove.**
Others Present; Asst Fire Chief/Public works Chris Barlau, City Clerk Twyla Menth.

2. Approval of Agenda

- Consider Approval of Agenda – Grandstand quotes will be added to the agenda under Misc. **Grove moved and Roepke second approving the agenda with the addition of grandstands quote under Business items/New Business miscellaneous. 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 –

- The City Hall/office window - Council reviewed the bids (2), First Street Construction approximately (estimate from quote of 2 hall windows and office window) \$38k, will get final numbers if chosen, and Allied Construction approximately \$43k. There seems to be unknowns of what they are opening on the upper hall windows and office window. **Grove moved and Herrmann second approving First Street Construction quote for replacing 6 hall windows on west side of building back to original size, and the office window. The motion carried. 5/0**
- Carver County Prairie Grass request – Council Member Paul Roepke explained to the rest of Council and Mayor on the prairie grass grant Carver County received. Carver County would like to plant prairie grass in areas within New Germany, Council reviewed the site plan for planting areas. Council had a discussion on the areas that Carver County is recommending seeding with the prairie grass, Council decided they do not want the prairie grass aesthetics in the city. **Herrmann moved and Grove second to not approve prairie grass Carver County has requested. The motion carried. 5/0**
- Car Show Special Permit – **Grove moved and Mielke second approving the special permit for car show from June- September. The motion carried. 5/0**
- Misc – Council member Herrmann has collected 4 Grandstand quotes; Kuntz (items missing in quote) \$12,709, Kevin Horstman \$16,615 completed bid, First Street Construction \$23,244 complete bid, Studemann \$25,500 complete bid. **Grove moved and Herrmann second approving Horstman for the grandstand project. The motion carried. 5/0**
Lorn Herrmann will be bringing metal railing quotes.

Officers’/Department/Staff Reports

- Fire Department Report – no report.
- Parks – branches picked up.
- Water/Sewer – nothing additional.
- Public Works – upper area above the office in PW building almost complete. Chris will inquire on mulch from Mayer site.
- Misc – nothing additional.
- Clerk Report
 - City Elevator – Arrow Lift quote for repairs is \$2,317.56. **Roepke moved and Grove second approving the Arrow lift elevator repairs. The motion carried. 5/0**
 - Brett MacNally will be moving forward with Park plans for Kilbane park.
 - Klobuchar & Smith grant has been submitted for wastewater in the amount of \$5 million each.
 - Lions meeting here at the Hall on April 22.
 - Responsible beverage training with Tami LaGow, Carver County at City Hall on April 22, 10 am, training is for those that serve alcohol.
 - Updating the Wellhead policy.
 - 2050 Comp Plan meeting was today April 1. SEH was in the webinar, possible to have Met Council come to a Council meeting to explain the Comp Plan to new Council members.
 - March 24, I had a meeting at City office with Ben Rutter Carver County Emergency Management, we reviewed the needs of New Germany, few ideas for any vulnerable adults within the cities in an emergency.
- Building Permits – Bob Mork hvac permit, 1 – ROW permit for MetroNet.



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6. Consent Agenda

- Consider Approval of March 18, 2025, Council Minutes
- Consider Approval of Claims for Payment
- Consider Approval of Financial Reports

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

7. Old Business

- Misc – nothing additional.

8. Mayor City Council Reports

- Councilmember Kevin Grove – nothing additional.
- Councilmember Thomas Mielke -
- Councilmember Paul Roepke – Baseball Park update, Paul Roepke reported he put a sink in, Roepke had \$25 of parts on city credit card.
- Councilmember Lorn Hermann – nothing additional.
- Mayor Shirley Jaeger – Easter Bunny on Fire Truck on the 12th.

9. Adjourn City Council Meeting Grove moved and Roepke second to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 PM. The motion carried. 5/0

Respectfully submitted by Twyla Menth, City Clerk