



CITY OF NEW GERMANY- CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA MARCH 17, 2026 – 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; Lorn Herrmann, Thomas Mielke, Paul Roepke. Absent: Kevin Grove.**
- Others are present; Chris Barlau Public Works, Twyla Menth City Clerk.

2. Approval of Agenda

- Consider Approval of Agenda – **Roepke moved and Mielke second approving the agenda. 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 –

- Office phone system – Clerk provided information on a cloud-based phone system with quotes from Cady Technologies and Coordinated Business. Cady was the lower quote, Clerk did check with the references provided, City of Ramsey and City of Wayzata; references were extremely satisfied with the Cady communication system. Cady will install equipment for the dialers in WTP, Lift station, and a digital to analog option for the elevator. Currently Frontier bill for all the city phone lines/alarms is \$905.65 per month, does not include internet as internet is provided by CarverLink (Carver County). The Cady system is a 60-month lease, Coordinated is 36 months. If Cady is chosen this would be a savings of over \$32,000.00 in the 5-year period. **Roepke moved and Herrmann second approving Cady Technologies communication software quote. The motion carried. 4/0**
- Miscellaneous – nothing additional.

Officers’/Department/Staff Reports

- Fire Department Report – electrical vehicle training last night, March 16, with Mayer. May be policy changes in the future. McLeod County Cooperative received a grant of \$1,500.00 for training equipment (manikins).
- Parks – Lindstrom Park sign draft pictures reviewed, prices coming.
- Water/Sewer – utility billing tomorrow, March 18.
- Public Works – diesel barrel being filled tomorrow, March 18. It was recommended not to place the snow against the hall windows on the lower level.
- Sheriff Report – included.
- Misc – nothing additional.
- Clerk Report –
 - Hall Windows phase II - Received First Street Construction quote for the rest of the hall windows in the upper portion (7); Council discussed, would like to add the two windows in the FD meeting room. Council discussed the color of the windows and other options. No decision was made; Clerk will have the quote revised and bring quote back the next meeting.
 - Microsoft Publisher, which we use for the newsletter, will be discontinuing; will need to find new software for the newsletter.
 - Sign (message board), is not operating again; Eric will be looking into it.
 - Report that the weather siren on Hilda is not operating correctly when Carver County does the monthly sounding test; Eric will look at it and if he cannot repair, will call Frontline for the repair.
 - 2025 Audit publication has been sent to Herald Journal for publication.
- Building Permit – deck permit.

6. Consent Agenda

- Consider Approval of March 3, 2026, Council Minutes
 - Consider Approval of Claims for Payment
 - Consider Approval of Financial Reports
- Mielke moved and Roepke second approving the consent agenda. The motion carried. 4/0**

7. Old Business

- Investing funds - April 21, 2026, Ehlers Investment will be present. Reviewed CSBNYA bank’s rate options. No action taken.
- Miscellaneous – nothing additional.



**CITY OF NEW GERMANY- CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
MARCH 17, 2026 – 7:00 PM**

8. Mayor City Council Reports

- Council member Kevin Grove – absent.
- Council member Thomas Mielke – nothing additional.
- Council member Paul Roepke – nothing additional.
- Council member Lorn Hermann – nothing additional.
- Mayor Shirley Jaeger – Easter Bunny will be on the FD truck on March 28, 9 – 11 AM.

9. Adjourn City Council Meeting - Mielke moved and Roepke second adjourning the meeting at 7:45 PM. The motion carried. 4/0

Respectfully submitted by City Clerk Twyla Menth.