



Common Council

Regular Meeting

335 South Broadway
De Pere, WI 54115
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Minutes

Tuesday, December 7, 2021

7:30 PM

Council Chambers and Virtual

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Mayor James Boyd.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Dan Carpenter	Aldersperson	Present	
Mike Eserkaln	Aldersperson	Present	
Jonathon Hansen	Aldersperson	Present	
Amy Chandik Kundinger	Aldersperson	Present	
Shana Defnet Ledvina	Aldersperson	Present	
John Quigley	Aldersperson	Present	
Dean Raasch	Aldersperson	Present	
Kelly Ruh	Aldersperson	Present	
James Boyd	Mayor	Present	

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. Approval of the minutes of the November 16, 2021 Common Council meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dan Carpenter, Aldersperson
SECONDER:	Dean Raasch, Aldersperson
AYES:	Carpenter, Eserkaln, Hansen, Kundinger, Ledvina, Quigley, Raasch, Ruh

4. Public comment upon matters not on the agenda.

None.

5. Municipal Commendation "City of De Pere Summer of 2021 Photo Contest Winners."

Mayor Boyd presented the commendation for the winners of the contest hosted by the City and Definitely De Pere. He noted that more than 200 photos were submitted, and invited citizens to view the winning photos which are being displayed in the first floor lobby at City Hall. The contest winners were:

Bill Withbroe - Cityscape
Christine Schlapman - Environment & Nature
Steven Lepak - Recreation & Health
Beth Ann Siebert - Community Engagement & Civic Events
Ken Weinaug - Popular Vote

6. TDS Telecom City-wide utility installation project presentation.

Josh Worrell, Business Development Manager for TDS Telecom, presented the company's plan for installing broadband fiber internet across the City. They identified De Pere for their next project because the City is currently served by only one provider. Josh acknowledged that there will be some disruptions to residents during construction, and outlined the company's process of notification to residents. He noted that most of the fiber will be installed underground, but there will be some above-ground pedestals. Josh encouraged residents to visit www.TDSFiber.com for more information on the installation process and the services that TDS provides. The project will be a slow progression through the community, focusing on a couple of neighborhoods at a time. Crews will finish construction, install, and cleanup before moving to the next area. Josh and City Engineer Eric Rakers then answered questions from alderpersons on the following: the approval process, availability of service in the business parks, feedback from other communities that have gone through the install process, and coordination with property owners on placement of the pedestals and lawn/landscape restoration after construction.

7. Recommendation from the Board of Park Commissioners to Allocate the Beer Garden Revenues in the amount of \$28,292 to Legion Woods Playground.

Council members discussed various options regarding allocation of Beer Garden revenue; some alders advocated waiting until the "pot" is bigger before identifying a funding recipient. Parks Director Marty Kosobucki explained that staff brought it to the Board of Park Commissioners because citizens have been asking what the City plans to do with the funds. City Administrator Larry Delo indicated that Council could always choose to redirect the funds or raise the threshold for designation. Alderperson Raasch pointed out that advertising a particular designation could potentially spur additional donations.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dean Raasch, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Shana Defnet Ledvina, Alderperson
AYES:	Carpenter, Eserkaln, Hansen, Kundinger, Ledvina, Quigley, Raasch, Ruh

8. Recommendation from the License Committee on an application for change of agent submitted by Walgreens #15637.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dan Carpenter, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Mike Eserkaln, Alderperson
AYES:	Carpenter, Eserkaln, Hansen, Kundinger, Ledvina, Quigley, Raasch, Ruh

9. Resolution 21-43 Regarding the Vacation of a Portion of a Public Thoroughfare (Right-of-Way at the 200 Block of Profit Place Adjacent to Parcels ED-2381, ED-2382 and ED-F0083) (Tabled at June 1, 2021 Council Meeting).

City Attorney Judy Schmidt-Lehman explained that staff is recommending denial of the resolution because the land is no longer needed for development.

RESULT:	DEFEATED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dean Raasch, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Jonathon Hansen, Alderperson
AYES:	Carpenter, Eserkaln, Hansen, Kundinger, Ledvina, Quigley, Raasch, Ruh

10. Resolution #21-44 Regarding the Vacation of a Portion of a Public Thoroughfare (Right-of-Way at the 1800 Block of Commerce Drive Adjacent to Parcels ED-D69-2 and ED-344-102-6). (Tabled at June 1, 2021 Council Meeting)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jonathon Hansen, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Dan Carpenter, Alderperson
AYES:	Carpenter, Eserkaln, Hansen, Kundinger, Ledvina, Quigley, Raasch, Ruh

11. Resolution #21-119 Authorizing Utility Easement (400 Block Rockland Road and Destiny Drive; Parcel ED-2386).

Alderperson Hansen asked if this easement will interfere with the City's plan to urbanize the area with sidewalks and bike lanes. Public Works Director Scott Thoresen confirmed it would not.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jonathon Hansen, Alderperson
SECONDER:	John Quigley, Alderperson
AYES:	Carpenter, Eserkaln, Hansen, Kundinger, Ledvina, Quigley, Raasch, Ruh

12. Resolution #21-120 Authorizing Lease for Storage of Department of Public Works Equipment.

Alderperson Hansen asked what impact this will have on the expansion plan for the Municipal Service Center. Public Works Director Scott Thoresen said the need is still there; this is just a temporary fix to get City equipment out of the elements. Mayor Boyd thanked Street Superintendent Tony Fietzer for his work on securing the storage location.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Dan Carpenter, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Amy Chandik Kundinger, Alderperson
AYES:	Carpenter, Eserkaln, Hansen, Kundinger, Quigley, Raasch, Ruh
ABSTAIN:	Shana Defnet Ledvina

13. Resolution #21-121 Approving the Nelson Family Pavilion Fundraising Donation Sponsorship Plan.

Alderperson Hansen asked if the City will be promoting the fundraising plan on social media and other outlets. Mayor Boyd confirmed this, and noted that there are still a few other potential donors pending. He noted that the Nelson family has contributed \$500,000, and announced that the Cloud Family Foundation has donated \$100,000, so

their name will be placed on the interior of the facility. The mayor complimented the fundraising committee on their hard work.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dan Carpenter, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Dean Raasch, Alderperson
AYES:	Carpenter, Eserkaln, Hansen, Kunding, Ledvina, Quigley, Raasch, Ruh

14. Resolution #21-122 Approving Return Line Leak Repair Contract with Neuman Pools, Inc. for Legion Pool (\$17,900 with Funding from Unassigned Reserves).

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Shana Defnet Ledvina, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Amy Chandik Kunding, Alderperson
AYES:	Carpenter, Eserkaln, Hansen, Kunding, Ledvina, Quigley, Raasch, Ruh

15. Appointments to boards and commissions by Mayor Boyd

Mayor Boyd stated that Brent Felchlin and Angela Patel are being reappointed to the BID Board, and thanked them for their service to the City.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Amy Chandik Kunding, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Jonathon Hansen, Alderperson
AYES:	Carpenter, Eserkaln, Hansen, Kunding, Ledvina, Quigley, Raasch, Ruh

16. Voucher approval.

Alderperson Carpenter asked about multiple \$200 checks on the voucher list. Parks Director Marty Kosobucki explained that the basketball league schedule had to be revised due to staffing issues, and as a result some teams backed out.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dan Carpenter, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Dean Raasch, Alderperson
AYES:	Carpenter, Eserkaln, Hansen, Kunding, Ledvina, Quigley, Raasch, Ruh

17. Future agenda items.

Alderperson Carpenter stated that Winnebago County now has a recycling program for Styrofoam, and asked if staff can research the possibility of implementing a similar program here. City Administrator Larry Delo said that this request will go to the Board of Public Works for review.

18. Adjournment.

Aldersperson Carpenter moved, seconded by Aldersperson Kunding to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Carey Danen, City Clerk