



Common Council

Regular Meeting

Approved Minutes

335 South Broadway
De Pere, WI 54115
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Wednesday, February 18, 2026

7:30 PM

1. Call to Order

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

2. Roll Call

Present: Dan Carpenter, Mike Eserkaln, Pamela Gantz, Jonathon Hansen, Amy Kunding, Shana Ledvina, Casey Nelson, Devin Perock, James Boyd

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Approval of the Minutes

A. Approval of the minutes of the February 3, 2026 Common Council meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dan Carpenter
SECONDER:	Shana Ledvina
AYES:	Dan Carpenter, Mike Eserkaln, Pamela Gantz, Jonathon Hansen, Amy Kunding, Shana Ledvina, Casey Nelson, Devin Perock, James Boyd

5. Presentations/Awards

A. Presentation by Brown County on the final proposed aesthetics for the Southern bridge and GV-15 retaining walls.

This item has been postponed to a future meeting.

6. Public Comments

Comments made during the public comment period shall pertain only to matters under the jurisdiction of the Common Council. §6-3(f) DPMC

None.

7. New Business

A. Nuisance abatement appeal by Rachael Carriveau.

City Attorney Joanne Bungert reviewed the hearing procedure and the City ordinance definition of chronic nuisance; she explained that the appellant is seeking to appeal that determination. Council members will listen to testimony and evidence, and either uphold the police chief's determination or reverse it. The format is a quasi-judicial hearing; both parties will present testimony under oath and will be sworn in by the clerk. Council members will be able to

ask questions throughout the session before deliberating. Attorney Bungert confirmed with the alderpersons that there are no conflicts of interest. She noted that each party will have ten minutes to present, and that deliberations will be held in closed session.

Assistant City Eric Erdman acted as the City's attorney. He reported that officers will give testimony which will show that the appeal should be denied. Officer Joe Johnson was sworn in and testified regarding the four calls for service that were identified in the abatement plan. Mayor Boyd moved, seconded by Alderperson Ledvina to grant an additional five minutes for testimony. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously. Police Chief Jeremy Muraski was sworn in and provided testimony. He acknowledged that he has discretion to determine that a property qualifies as a chronic nuisance, and that he authorized and agreed with the abatement plan. Mayor Boyd moved, seconded by Alderperson Gantz to grant an additional five minutes of testimony. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Attorney Bungert noted that the appellant will be granted 20 minutes as well to present evidence. Appellant Rachael Carriveau addressed the Council and provided testimony for the basis of her appeal.

Attorney Erdman provided closing arguments and Officer Johnson answered questions from alderpersons. Ms. Carriveau also provided her closing testimony and answered questions from Council members.

Mayor Boyd moved, seconded by Alderperson Kundinger to enter into closed session at 8:42 PM. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. Mayor Boyd moved, seconded by Alderperson Nelson to return to regular order at 9:22 PM. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Boyd moved, seconded by Alderperson Nelson to deny the appeal. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously. Mayor Boyd read the findings of fact for the record. Mayor Boyd then moved, seconded by Alderperson Perock to adopt the findings and conclusions. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

B. Recommendation from the Finance-Personnel Committee to approve Forte for merchant services using the service fee model for the Beer Gardens and pools.

Finance Director-Treasurer Pam Manley reported that staff selected the vendor that currently provides services for other City departments.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Casey Nelson
SECONDER:	Mike Eserkalm
AYES:	Dan Carpenter, Mike Eserkalm, Pamela Gantz, Jonathon Hansen, Amy Kundinger, Shana Ledvina, Casey Nelson, Devin Perock, James Boyd

C. Recommendation from the Board of Public Works on award of Contract 25-04 American Boulevard Utility Extension in the amount of \$1,086,000.00.

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dan Carpenter
SECONDER:	Jonathon Hansen
AYES:	Dan Carpenter, Mike Eserkalm, Pamela Gantz, Jonathon Hansen, Amy Kundinger, Shana Ledvina, Casey Nelson, Devin Perock, James Boyd

D. Recommendation from the Board of Public Works on award of Contract 26-03 Sewer Lining in the amount of \$339,997.00.

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jonathon Hansen
SECONDER:	Shana Ledvina
AYES:	Dan Carpenter, Mike Eserkain, Pamela Gantz, Jonathon Hansen, Amy Kunding, Shana Ledvina, Casey Nelson, Devin Perock, James Boyd

E. Recommendation from the Board of Public Works on award of Contract 26-05 Sidewalk and Curb Repairs in the amount of \$395,215.00.

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Shana Ledvina
SECONDER:	Casey Nelson
AYES:	Dan Carpenter, Mike Eserkain, Pamela Gantz, Jonathon Hansen, Amy Kunding, Shana Ledvina, Casey Nelson, Devin Perock, James Boyd

F. Recommendation from the Board of Public Works on award of Contract 26-13 Crackfilling in the amount of \$91,850.00.

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Boyd
SECONDER:	Dan Carpenter
AYES:	Dan Carpenter, Mike Eserkain, Pamela Gantz, Jonathon Hansen, Amy Kunding, Shana Ledvina, Casey Nelson, Devin Perock, James Boyd

G. Recommendation from the Board of Public Works on award of Contract 26-15 Sewer Televising in the amount of \$38,958.00.

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jonathon Hansen
SECONDER:	Dan Carpenter
AYES:	Dan Carpenter, Mike Eserkain, Pamela Gantz, Jonathon Hansen, Amy Kunding, Shana Ledvina, Casey Nelson, Devin Perock, James Boyd

H. Recommendation from the Board of Public Works to approve a declining rate structure for water volume charges related to the Public Service Commission Rate Case.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Boyd
SECONDER:	Dan Carpenter
AYES:	Dan Carpenter, Mike Eserkain, Pamela Gantz, Jonathon Hansen, Amy Kunding, Shana Ledvina, Casey Nelson, Devin Perock, James Boyd

- I. Recommendation from the License Committee on an application for a Reserve Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage/"Class B" Intoxicating Liquor License for Foxy's Sports Pub & Grub LLC (DBA Foxy's Sports Pub & Grub), 419 Main Av. Agent: Timothy Czarneski, Denmark WI. Boyd, Perock to receive and place on file.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Boyd
SECONDER:	Devin Perock
AYES:	Dan Carpenter, Mike Eserkaln, Pamela Gantz, Jonathon Hansen, Amy Kunding, Shana Ledvina, Casey Nelson, Devin Perock, James Boyd

- J. For consideration and possible action to enter into an agreement pursuant to Wis. Stat. 755.04 with the Honorable Gregg Schreiber to act as a temporary Municipal Judge appointed pursuant to Wis. Stat. 800.06(1), for a salary rate of \$225.00 per service date, subject to final review and approval by the City Attorney.

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Shana Ledvina
SECONDER:	Pamela Gantz
AYES:	Dan Carpenter, Mike Eserkaln, Pamela Gantz, Jonathon Hansen, Amy Kunding, Shana Ledvina, Casey Nelson, Devin Perock, James Boyd

8. Old Business

A. Consideration and possible action related to the De Pere Ice Arena facility improvements and operations.

Mayor Boyd moved, seconded by Alderperson Ledvina to approve the "Stay the Course +1" option. Parks Director Marty Kosobucki answered questions about the other options. He identified the following as some of the top-priority projects for the ice arena: repair of the dehumidification system, flooring, HVAC units, and replacement of electrical panels.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Boyd
SECONDER:	Shana Ledvina
AYES:	Dan Carpenter, Mike Eserkaln, Pamela Gantz, Jonathon Hansen, Amy Kunding, Shana Ledvina, Casey Nelson, Devin Perock, James Boyd

9. Resolutions

Mayor Boyd moved, seconded by Alderperson Nelson to suspend the rules for items 9A-E. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

- A. Resolution #26-06 Establishing Tax Equivalent Payable to the City by the De Pere Water Utility.
- B. Resolution #26-07 Approving Revised State/Municipal Financial Agreement (SMFA) (I-41, Southbridge Road Interchange).
- C. Resolution #26-08 Authorizing Installment Payments for 2026 Sidewalk Repair or Replacement Expenses in Excess of \$1,000 Ordered Under Wis. Stats. § 66.0907.

D. Resolution #26-09 Authorizing Contractor Agreement with Badger Concrete Lifting, LLC (Project #26-19 Mudjacking - Curb & Gutter and Sidewalk).

E. Resolution #26-10 Authorizing Standard Agreement for Professional Services with Allyson Brunette Consulting LLC (Sustainability Commission Green Tier Legacy Community Scoresheet).

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Boyd
SECONDER:	Shana Ledvina
AYES:	Dan Carpenter, Mike Eserkahn, Pamela Gantz, Jonathon Hansen, Amy Kunding, Shana Ledvina, Casey Nelson, Devin Perock, James Boyd

F. Resolution #26-11 Rescinding Property Taxes and Approval to pay net taxes utilizing Unassigned Reserves (Parcel Nos. ED-6 and WD-478-1).

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Casey Nelson
SECONDER:	Shana Ledvina
AYES:	Dan Carpenter, Mike Eserkahn, Pamela Gantz, Jonathon Hansen, Amy Kunding, Shana Ledvina, Casey Nelson, Devin Perock, James Boyd

G. Resolution #26-12 Authorizing Agreement for Professional Services with The Archer Company, LLC (Classification and Compensation Study).

Human Resources Generalist Tracy Hood answered questions about the proposals received and the reasons staff selected the Archer Company; she confirmed that Archer was within budget. Alderperson Carpenter expressed the opinion that Council should be involved in future selections related to compensation studies.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Boyd
SECONDER:	Casey Nelson
AYES:	Dan Carpenter, Mike Eserkahn, Pamela Gantz, Jonathon Hansen, Amy Kunding, Shana Ledvina, Casey Nelson, Devin Perock, James Boyd

H. Resolution #26-13 Authorizing Agreement for Contractor Services with Dark Horse Deconstruction LLC (Demolition - 126 South Broadway Street).

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Boyd
SECONDER:	Dan Carpenter
AYES:	Dan Carpenter, Mike Eserkahn, Pamela Gantz, Jonathon Hansen, Amy Kunding, Shana Ledvina, Casey Nelson, Devin Perock, James Boyd

10. Ordinances

Mayor Boyd moved, seconded by Alderperson Ledvina to suspend the rules and take up items 10A-D with one roll call vote. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

A. Ordinance #26-05 Amending Chapter 150 of the De Pere Municipal Code Regarding Traffic Recommendations.

B. Ordinance #26-06 Amending Chapters 3, 6, 10, 13 & 74 and Sections 22-8 & 30-6 of the De Pere Municipal Code.

C. Ordinance #26-07 Amending De Pere Municipal Code Section 3-2 - Elective officials; terms; primary elections.

D. Ordinance #26-08 Amending De Pere Municipal Code Chapter 106 - Licenses and Permits.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Boyd
SECONDER:	Shana Ledvina
AYES:	Dan Carpenter, Mike Eserkaln, Pamela Gantz, Jonathon Hansen, Amy Kunding, Shana Ledvina, Casey Nelson, Devin Perock, James Boyd

11. Future Agenda Items

Aldersperson Hansen requested an update from the County on the name selection for the southern bridge.

12. Adjournment

Mayor Boyd moved, seconded by Aldersperson Nelson to adjourn the meeting at 10:02PM. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Carey Danen, City Clerk