Mayor Berman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following present: Alderpersons, Debbie Sievert, Keith Klimek, Robert Warren, Joel Ahrens, and Tony O'Neill; Attorney David Spangenberg.
Members excused: Brigitte Schmidt

Attending: Interim Public Works Director Teal Spellman-Cedar Corp., Police Chief Derek Koronkiewicz, Kelly Heroux – Peshtigo National Bank, and Michael Ryder.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda:
Mayor Berman requested to move item #12 on the agenda up to #10.
Motion by Warren and seconded by O'Neill to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 5/0.

Minutes:
Motion by Warren and seconded by Sievert to approve the minutes of the September 1, 2026, Regular Meeting & September 15, 2026 Special Meeting. Motion carried 5/0.

Mayor Berman opened the Public Hearing at 6:03 p.m.

Public Hearing:
- Certified Survey Map for:
  Don C. Richter and Mary Lou Richter for property located at 611 Dishaw Ave., described as Lot 4 of CSM No. 3388, and part of Outlot 13A in Assessor's Plat #2 being part of Government Lot 6 in Section 18, Township 30 North, Range 23 East, Parcel No. 271-01006.017.

Mayor Berman called three times for anyone to speak "for" or "against" the above referenced proposed Certified Survey Map.

Public Hearing comments: None

Mayor Berman declared the Public Hearing closed at 6:05 p.m.

Persons desiring to be heard from the floor: None

Business and Communications:
- Crash Responder Safety Week Proclamation.

Motion by Warren and seconded by Sievert to approve the Crash Responder Safety Week Proclamation. Motion carried 5/0.

- Shena Chapman candidate for State Assembly, requests to address the Council.

Shena Chapman spoke on her candidacy for State Assembly.

- Discuss/consider Halloween Trick or Treating Hours.

Motion by O'Neill and seconded by Warren to set the 2026 Trick or Treat hours for Saturday, October 31st from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Motion carried 5/0.

- Appointment and confirmation of Peshtigo Housing Authority Commissioners:
  - 2026 – 2031 Sue Wortner
  - 2022 – 2027 Pam Daye
  - 2023 – 2028 vacant
  - 2024 – 2029 James Murphy
  - 2025 – 2030 Robin Swiatnicki

Motion by Sievert , second by Warren, to nominate Mayor Berman for the vacant seat of the Peshtigo Housing Authority, term of 2023 – 2028. Motion carried 5/0.

Motion by O'Neill and seconded by Warren to appoint and confirm the terms of the Peshtigo Housing Authority Commissioners: Pam Daye 2022 – 2027, James Murphy 2024 – 2029, Robin Swiatnicki 2025 – 2030, and Sue Wortner 2026 – 2031. Motion carried 5/0.

- Acknowledgement of 20 years of Service with the City of Peshtigo's Police Department, Officer Rob Hulce.

Mayor Berman thanked Officer Hulce for all his years of dedication and service to the City and with Chief Koronkiewicz, presented Officer Hulce with a certificate.

Reports from Departments, Citizen Boards and Commissions:
- Monthly Building Inspection Report
- Monthly Police Report
- Monthly Fire/EMR Report

Committee Reports:

Plan Commission – August 17, 2026

- Recommended Council approve the Certified Survey Map for Don C. and Mary Lou Richter for property located at 611 Dishaw Ave., described as Lot 4 of CSM No. 3388, and part of Outlot 13A in Assessor's Plat #2 being part of Government Lot 6 in Section 18, Township 30 North, Range 23 East, Parcel No. 271-01006.017 as presented.

Motion by Warren and seconded by Klimek to approve the Certified Survey Map for Don C. and Mary Lou Richter for property located at 611 Dishaw Ave., described as Lot 4 of CSM No. 3388, and part of Outlot 13A in Assessor's Plat #2 being part of Government Lot 6 in Section 18, Township 30 North, Range 23 East, Parcel No. 271-01006.017 as presented. Motion carried 5/0.

License & Police – September 8, 2026

- Recommended Council approve decaling for the new 2026 Dodge Durango police vehicle by MJB Signs for up to $800.00 to be funded from the CIP.

Motion by Warren and seconded by Ahrens to approve decaling for the new 2026 Dodge Durango police vehicle by MJB Signs for up to $800.00 to be funded from the CIP. Motion carried 5/0.

- Discuss/consider a Producer Full-Service Retail Sales Application from Forgotten Fire Winery for a Request for Unlimited Transfer Full-Service Retail Outlet at Rennes Health & Rehab Center-East on October 20, 2026.

Motion by Warren and seconded by Sievert to approve a Producer Full-Service Retail Sales Application from Forgotten Fire Winery for a Request for Unlimited Transfer Full-Service Retail Outlet at Rennes Health & Rehab Center-East on October 20, 2026 with adding a $10.00 administration fee. Motion carried 5/0.

Water & Sewer – September 15, 2026

- No recommendations for the Common Council.

Parks & Recreation – September 15, 2026

- Recommended Council approve the purchase of a weed harvester, conveyor, and trailer from Inland Lake Harvesters for up to $281,700 to be funded from the CIP less any donations.

Motion by Ahrens and seconded by Sievert to approve the purchase of a weed harvester, conveyor, and trailer from Inland Lake Harvesters for up to $281,700 to be funded from the CIP less any donations. Motion carried 5/0.

- Recommended Council approve the quote of $8,300 from Frank's Logging of Peshtigo for the cutting and removal of 51 trees and stump grinding to be funded from 10-5612-0210 Forestry Professional Services.

Motion by Ahrens and seconded by Sievert to approve the quote of $8,300 from Frank's Logging of Peshtigo for the cutting and removal of 51 trees and stump grinding to be funded from 10-5612-0210 Forestry Professional Services. Motion carried 5/0.

- Recommended Council approve the updated Badger Parks Pavilion Rental agreement, policies, and guidelines.

Motion by Ahrens and seconded by O'Neill to approve the updated Badger Parks Pavilion Rental agreement, policies, and guidelines. Motion carried 5/0.

Personnel – September 21, 2026

- Recommended Council approve the Employee Handbook updates as discussed.

Motion by Warren and seconded by Sievert to approve the Employee Handbook updates. Motion carried 5/0.

- Discuss/Consider retirement of Richard Sparks from the Department of Public Works effective October 25, 2026.

Mayor Berman thanked Mr. Sparks for his years of service and dedication to the City and wished him well in his retirement. It was noted his last day of work would be the 14th or 15th of October.

Motion by Warren and seconded by Ahrens to accept the retirement of Richard Sparks from the Department of Public Works effective October 25, 2026. Motion carried 5/0.

Fire, Lighting & Building – September 22, 2026

- Recommended Council approve authorizing Hadley Johnson and Maddy Noll to work with a school teacher and the Mayor on a metal art project concept and placement in the municipal triangle parking lot planter area across from City Hall.

Motion by Klimek and seconded by Warren to approve authorizing Hadley Johnson and Maddy Noll to work with a school teacher and the Mayor on a metal art project concept and placement in the municipal triangle parking lot planter area across from City Hall. Motion carried 5/0.

- Discuss/consider proposal for replacement/installation of doors and installation of door sweeps at the Drees Community Center.

Motion by O'Neill and seconded by Klimek to approve the proposal from LaForce for the Drees Community Center door replacements and related work in the amount of $15,439.
Motion carried 5/0.

Streets & Drainage – August 18 & September 22, 2026

- Recommended Council approve vacating the alley between Outlots 20 & 21 of Assessors Plat 4 known as 240 French St. and Outlot 22 of Assessors Plat 4 known as 250 French St.

Discussion was held regarding the alley vacation and the need to address existing right-of-way issues involving adjacent properties. It was explained that the process would require coordination with Peshtigo National Bank and other affected property owners, along with a public hearing and additional legal steps. The proposed action would allow the City Attorney to begin working with the property owners to address the alley vacation and clarify the surrounding right-of-way.

Motion by Warren and seconded by O'Neill to authorize the City Attorney to work with Peshtigo National Bank and other affected property owners to initiate the alley vacation process and address the related right-of-way issues. Motion carried 5/0.

- Recommended Council approve the Street Use/Special Event Permit for Peshtigo Police Run to Remember on October 3, 2026, with all fees to be waived.

Motion by Warren and seconded by Sievert to approve the Street Use/Special Event Permit for Peshtigo Police Run to Remember on October 3, 2026, with all fees to be waived. Motion carried 5/0.

- Recommended Council approve Pay Application No. 4 for the West Park Drive Reconstruction Project in the amount of $194,641.50.

Motion by Warren and seconded by Ahrens to approve Pay Application No. 4 for the West Park Drive Reconstruction Project in the amount of $194,641.50. Motion carried 5/0.

- Discuss/consider West Park Drive Change Order No.: 2 for the West Park Drive Reconstruction Project.

Motion by Warren and seconded by Ahrens to approve West Park Drive Change Order No.: 2 for the West Park Drive Reconstruction Project. Motion carried 5/0.

- Recommended Council approve the Memorandum of Understanding and Escrow Agreement with Brightspeed for management costs for the installation of fiber optic cable.

Motion by Warren and seconded by Klimek to approve the Memorandum of Understanding and Escrow Agreement with Brightspeed for management costs for the installation of fiber optic cable. Motion carried 5/0.

- Discuss/consider Utility/Roadway Excavation Permit Application and Supplemental Conditions for Street Excavation Permitting and Underground Utilities.

Motion by Warren and seconded by Ahrens to approve the Utility/Roadway Excavation Permit Application and Supplemental Conditions for Street Excavation Permitting and Underground Utilities. Motion carried 5/0.

Finance & Claims – September 23, 2026

- Recommended Council approve the Master Agreement for Professional Services, Addendum to Agreement for Professional Services, and Authorization to Perform Engineering/Consulting Services Project No. 1-1 with Cedar Corporation to assist the City approximately 24 hours per week with Interim Director of Public Works tasks at a cost of $4,000 weekly as discussed.

Motion by Sievert and seconded by Warren to approve the Master Agreement for Professional Services, Addendum to Agreement for Professional Services, and Authorization to Perform Engineering/Consulting Services Project No. 1-1 with Cedar Corporation to assist the City approximately 24 hours per week with Interim Director of Public Works tasks at a cost of $4,000 weekly. Motion carried 5/0.

- Discuss/consider approval to authorize City staff to work with Ehlers to create TID No. 3, encompassing the Landmark property, and expand TID No. 2 at a cost not to exceed $50,000.

Mayor Berman explained that following the Council's previous approval to borrow funds for the Landmark Building demolition, additional discussions were held with Ehlers regarding potential funding options and Tax Incremental Districts (TIDs).

The proposed expansion of TID No. 2 would include the Extreme Warehouse property in the Industrial Park, allowing future increases in property value to be captured within the district. The creation of TID No. 3 would encompass the Landmark property and potentially additional surrounding properties to allow future redevelopment to generate tax increment revenue. The City Attorney would need to provide a blight determination as part of the TID creation process.

Mayor Berman also discussed the possibility of using previously borrowed Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) funds toward the Landmark demolition rather than taking out a separate loan, potentially avoiding an additional tax burden. This funding option was presented for information only, with formal recommendation to be brought back to the Council at a later date.

Motion by O'Neill and seconded by Warren authorizing City staff to work with Ehlers to create TID No. 3, encompassing the Landmark property, and expand TID No. 2 at a cost not to exceed $50,000 . Motion carried 5/0.

Joint Industrial Park Oversight & Plan Commission – September 29, 2026

- Recommended Council approve an agreement with Ironwood Power Systems/MJ Electric drafted by the City Attorney satisfying the Covenants for Lots 61 & 68 of the Pine View Commercial & Industrial Park 3rd Addition.

Motion by Warren and seconded by Ahrens to approve an agreement with Ironwood Power Systems/MJ Electric drafted by the City Attorney satisfying the Covenants for Lots 61 & 68 of the Pine View Commercial & Industrial Park 3rd Addition. Motion carried 5/0.

- Recommended Council approve the site plans for Ironwood Power Systems/MJ Electric at 970 Ogden Rd. as presented, conditional upon completion of a Certified Survey Map.

Motion by Warren and seconded by Ahrens to approve the site plans for Ironwood Power Systems/MJ Electric at 970 Ogden Rd. as presented, conditional upon completion of a Certified Survey Map. Motion carried 5/0.

Closed Session:
Motion by Warren and seconded by Sievert to move into Closed Session per:

- WI S.S. 19.85(1)(g) - Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved.

Motion carried 5/0.

CLOSED SESSION – 7:08 p.m. – 7:27 p.m.

Motion by Warren and seconded by Sievert to move into Open Session. Motion carried 5/0.

No action taken as a result of Closed Session.

Other Matters:
Museum bell-ringing ceremony is October 8, 7:30–8:00 p.m.
Trunk or Treat is in Badger Park on October 10, 4:30–6:30 p.m.
Carving with a Cop is in Badger Park on October 24, 2:00–4:00 p.m.

Motion by Warren and seconded by Klimek to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. Motion carried 5/0.

Katie Berman
Mayor

MINUTES

PERSONNEL
FRIDAY – OCTOBER 2, 2026 – 2:45 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING

Members present: Chair Brigitte Schmidt, Robert Warren, and Tony O'Neill.

Others Attending: Mayor Katie Berman, Interim DPW Director Teal Spellman,

Chair Schmidt called the meeting to order at 2:45 p.m.

Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Warren to approve the agenda.
Motion carried 3/0.

Closed Session:
Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Warren to move into Closed Session per:

WI S.S. 19.85(1)(c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

a. Interview for the Director of Public Works position.

Motion carried 3/0.

CLOSED SESSION 2:45 p.m. – 6:04 p.m.

Motion by Warren and seconded by O'Neill to move into Open Session.
Motion carried 3/0.

No action taken as a result of Closed Session.

Other Matters: None

Set future meeting(s): None

Motion by Warren and seconded by O'Neill to adjourn at 6:04 p.m.
Motion carried 3/0.

Katie Berman
Mayor

MINUTES

PERSONNEL
MONDAY – OCTOBER 12, 2065 – 3:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING

Members present: Acting Chair Robert Warren and Tony O'Neill.
Member excused: Brigitte Schmidt

Others Attending: Mayor Katie Berman, Clerk-Treasurer Tammy Kasal, Police Chief Derek Koronkiewicz, Fire/EMS Chief Chuck Gardon, Assistant EMS Chief Grace Koeffler, and EMR Alexis Monnette.

Acting Chair Warren called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Motion by Warren and seconded by O'Neill to approve the agenda. Motion carried 2/0.

Meeting Minutes:
Motion by Warren and seconded by O'Neill to approve September 21 and October 2, 2026, meeting minutes. Motion carried 2/0.

Substitute Crossing Guard(s) staffing:
Chief Koronkiewicz requested authorization to hire substitute Crossing Guards.

Motion by O'Neill and seconded by Warren authorizing Chief Koronkiewicz to advertise for substitute Crossing Guards. Motion carried 2/0.

2027 Salary & Wage Schedule and benefits:
Mayor Berman distributed a preliminary 2027 Salary & Wage Schedule for employees not included in the unions. The schedule was reviewed and updated.

Motion by Warren and seconded by O'Neill to forward the proposed 2027 Salary and Wage Schedule as discussed to the Finance Committee. Motion carried 2/0.

Other Matters:
Chief Koronkiewicz received a resignation from Cody Cohan. Chief Koronkiewicz will be interviewing applicants for part-time Police Officer(s).

Set future meeting(s):
The next Personnel meetings will be scheduled when needed.

Motion by Warren and seconded by O'Neill to adjourn at 3:49 p.m. Motion carried 2/0.

Tammy Kasal
Clerk-Treasurer

Letter Of Resignation

10/13/2026

Chief Derek Koronkiewicz

Peshtigo Police Department

331 French St

Peshtigo, WI 54157

Chief Derek Koronkiewicz,

Please accept this letter as formal notification that I am resigning from my position as a Patrol Officer with the City of Peshtigo Police Department. My last official working day will be October 29,2026. I have accepted a new career opportunity that aligns with my long-term professional goals.

I am grateful for the training, mentorship, and valuable experiences I have gained during my time serving the Peshtigo community. It has been an honor to work alongside the dedicated officers and staff of this department.

Before my departure, I am fully committed to ensuring a seamless transition of my duties. I will focus my remaining time on the following action items:

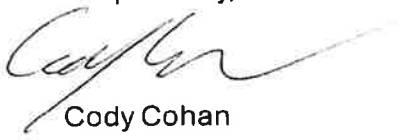
-Completing all remaining incident reports, documenting evidence, and ensuring pending court dates are properly flagged and prepared for transition.

-Coordinating with appropriate personnel to return all department-issued equipment, including my badge, credentials, and duty weapon.

Please let me know if there are any additional exit processing steps or paperwork required to reflect a separation in good standing.

Thank you again for the opportunities and support during my time here. I wish you and the entire department continued safety and success in protecting our community.

Respectfully,



Cody Cohan