

The Common Council for the City of New Lisbon met in regular session on Monday, February 17, 2025 at 7:00 PM in the New Lisbon Community room with the following members present: Mayor Mark Toelle, Alderperson Marv Newlun, Ken Southworth, Sheldon LaBudda, and Morgan Reichhoff. Also present: Director of Public Works Nick Wyss, City Clerk/Treasurer Jen Pedersen, Fire Chief Joe Willard, and Police Chief Kyle Walker.

A motion was made by Newlun, second by Reichhoff, to approve the City of New Lisbon meeting minutes from January 27, 2025. With a voice vote, all members present voted "aye." Motion carried.

Scott Hickey, New Lisbon School Superintendent, presented a non-recurring operating referendum for \$1.5 Million per year starting July 2026 for four years that will help fund day-to-day operations and building maintenance. If passed at the Spring Election, taxpayers can expect an increase of \$136/year per \$100,000 in fair market value.

Brian Kehrli, from MSA Engineering, presented a service contract for 90% biddable engineer design plans in the amount of \$115,000, which is necessary to be awarded the CDBG grant for the 2026 E Liberty/E Pearl Street road project. The CDBG income surveys were submitted and looked promising. A motion was made by Newlun, second by LaBudda, to approve the contract. With a roll call vote, LaBudda, Newlun, Southworth, and Reichhoff all voted "aye." Motion carried.

A motion was made by Newlun, second by Reichhoff, to schedule a Public Hearing for rezoning Parcels #292610395 and #292610396 from B-1 to R-1 for March 17, contingent upon the referral from the Plan Commission. With a voice vote, all members present voted "aye." Motion carried.

A motion was made by Newlun, second by Reichhoff, to approve the second pay application for the Police Facility in the amount of \$58,360.50. With a roll call vote, LaBudda, Newlun, Southworth, and Reichhoff all voted "aye." Motion carried.

A motion was made by Southworth, second by LaBudda, to purchase a police squad car. With a roll call vote, LaBudda, Newlun, Southworth, and Reichhoff all voted "aye." Motion carried.

A motion by Reichhoff, second by Southworth, was made to approve posting for a Riverside Park Campground Host position. With a 4-0 voice vote, the motion carried.

The Council members reviewed and discussed a sample payment in lieu of taxes agreement.

With no motion, the annual renewal to Juneau County Economic Development Corporation couldn't proceed.

A motion was made by Newlun, second by Southworth, to approve election training for Jen Pedersen. With a roll call vote, LaBudda, Newlun, Southworth, and Reichhoff all voted "aye." Motion carried.

A motion by Newlun, second by Reichhoff, was made to approve an Operator's License for Heather Haschke for Dollar General. With a 4-0 voice vote, the motion carried.

A motion by Newlun, second by Reichhoff, was made to approve an Operator's License for Veanna Brown for Mega! CO-OP. With a 4-0 voice vote, the motion carried.

Nick Wyss, Public Works Director, shared that the PSC accepted our rate case at 4.1% for water. Generator 5 is now working effectively.

City Clerk/Treasurer Jen Pedersen stated the Spring Primary Election is tomorrow and a Pool/Park Committee meeting is scheduled for the end of the month.

Mayor Toelle and Alderperson Reichhoff stated that the library may adjust their schedule one day a week to stay open until 7:00 PM. Alderperson Southworth voiced concern regarding used tires at a city business. Alderperson Newlun reported on the PFC and Mauston Area Ambulance meetings.

A motion by Newlun, second by Reichhoff, was made to approve the authorization payment of \$79,984.19 in monthly invoices. With a roll call vote, LaBudda, Newlun, Southworth, and Reichhoff voted "aye." Motion carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Reichhoff, and second by Newlun at 8:31 PM.