

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
COUNCIL ROOM, CITY HALL
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2026
1:45 P.M.**

The Personnel Committee was called to order by Chair Barbara Petkovsek. On roll call: Council Members Barbara Petkovsek, William Neville IV, Rolly Gelhaus and Mayor Duane Poeschel present.

Also present: Administrator/Director of Public Works Luke Friemoth.

Chair Petkovsek declared the minutes of the previous meetings approved as filed with the City Clerk.

There were no appearances.

Chair Petkovsek announced a closed session per Section 19.85(1)(c) of Wis. Stats. to consider employment, promotion, compensation, performance or evaluation of public employees over which the City of Neillsville has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, specifically wages, benefits and conditions of employment in regard to reviewing applications and interviewing candidates for the Heavy Equipment Operator/Water and Wastewater Maintenance position and may reconvene in open session.

Motion Neville, second Gelhaus, to invite Administrator/Director of Public Works Luke Friemoth to remain and any candidates for interviews for the closed session. All Aye.

Motion Neville, second Gelhaus, to go into closed session per Section 19.85(1)(c) of Wis. Stats. to consider employment, promotion, compensation, performance or evaluation of public employees over which the City of Neillsville has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, specifically wages, benefits and conditions of employment in regard to reviewing applications and interviewing candidates for the Heavy Equipment Operator/Water and Wastewater Maintenance position. On roll call: All Aye.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion Gelhaus, second Poeschel, to reconvene into open session. All Aye.

Motion Neville, second Gelhaus, to recommend to Common Council that Jacob Ratsch be hired for the Heavy Equipment Operator/Water and Wastewater Maintenance position pending a background check. All Aye.

Motion Poeschel, second Neville, to adjourn. All Aye.

Barbara Petkovsek, Chair