

**COMMISSION ON PUBLIC WORKS/UTILITIES  
COUNCIL ROOM, CITY HALL  
MARCH 26, 2024  
6:45 P.M.**

The Commission on Public Works/Utilities met in regular session, Chair Clough presiding. On roll call: Mayor Poeschel and Council Members Neville and Rochester absent, all other members present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were declared approved.

Director of Public Works Friemoth reported on two burials at the Cemetery, changing oil in equipment, trimming and removing trees, snow removal, hauling brush and compost, street sweeping, Water Department – daily testing and well rounds, meter reading, installing meters and radio reads, repairing and lowering curb stops, working on the annual Consumer Confidence Report, repairing a water main break on E. Second Street near Mt. Moldy, Sewer Department – daily testing and lift station rounds, lift station maintenance and inspections and cleaning manholes.

Director of Public Works Friemoth reported that the Water Department received a Water Fluoridation Quality Award from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for 2022, because we kept the fluoride levels adjusted to optimal and consistent range. We are one of only thirty municipalities in the State to achieve this. We have received this award previously in 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020.

Council Member Petkovsek congratulated Friemoth and the Water Department employees on this achievement and thanked them for their work.

Chair Clough stated that this is a real accomplishment-a good job done by the Water team.

City Clerk Roehl reported on receiving a telephone call from Waste Management that they would not be renewing our bags and bins garbage and recycling contract for 2025. They are converting to carts only by year end.

Motion Counsell, second Petkovsek, that Water Bills Nos. 54 to 84 in the amount of \$92,836.88 and Sewer Bills Nos. 37 to 58 in the amount of \$24,812.53 be paid. All Aye.

Motion Counsell, second Petkovsek, to adjourn. All Aye.

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Daniel M. Clough, Chair

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Rex R. Roehl, Clerk

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**COMMON COUNCIL  
COUNCIL ROOM  
MARCH 26, 2024  
7:00 P.M.**

The Common Council met in regular session, Acting Mayor Clough presiding. On roll call: Mayor Poeschel and Council Members Neville and Rochester absent, all other members present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of the previous meeting were declared approved.

Council Member Clough presented the March 19, 2024 meeting of the Library Board regarding: 1) librarians’ reports, 2) the exterior painting will be determined based on the weather, 3) the LED interior lighting project is complete, 4) discussion on and approved the WVLS annual report filing, 5) discussion on an approved the Statement Concerning Public

Library System Effectiveness, 6) payment of bills and 7) updates on donation and carryover funds.

Council Member Petkovsek presented the March 21, 2024 meeting of the Heritage Days Committee regarding: 1) discussion on the Mini Rodders event, 2) discussion on and approved Saturday events in Schuster Park-Petting Zoo, magic show, balloon artist, henna art and caricature artist, 3) discussion on, recommendation and request to extend the hours at Schuster Park under Ordinance Section 7-8-4(a) and (c) to 2:00 A.M. and the noise hours to 1:00 A.M. to allow the bands to play on Friday, July 12, 2024 and Saturday, July 13, 2024 in Schuster Park for the Heritage Days events, 4) discussion on, recommendation and request to approve the following street closures:

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| Thursday, July 11, 2024 | West Street-from W. Fifth Street to W. Sixth Street                        |
| Friday, July 12, 2024   | Boon Boulevard-from the North Legion Hall driveway to Lucille Lane         |
| Sunday, July 14, 2024   | West Street-from W. Fourth Street to W. Sixth Street                       |
|                         | W. Fifth Street-from Hewett Street to the Dollar Tree parking lot entrance |
|                         | W. Sixth Street-from Hewett Street to Grand Avenue                         |
|                         | E. Second Street-from Hewett Street to Court Street                        |
|                         | Court Street-E. First Street to E. Fourth Street                           |
|                         | Hewett Street-from Division Street to E. Sixth Street (parade route times) |

5) discussion on and approved having Joel and Marla Raine as Grand Marshalls for the 2024 Heritage Days event and 6) discussion on and approved creating a Heritage Days email.

Council Member Counsell presented the March 21, 2024 meeting of the Neillsville Community Fire Hall Board regarding: 1) payment of bills, 2) thanking the City crew for snow plowing and 3) reviewed and accepted the 2023 Financial Report.

Council Member Clough reported on the March 26, 2024 meeting of the Commission on Public Works/Utilities regarding: 1) current activities, 2) the Water Department receiving a Water Fluoridation Quality Award from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for 2022 and 3) payment of bills.

Acting Mayor Clough declared all reports filed as presented with the City Clerk.

Acting Mayor Clough stated that the request from Mark Jones, Abby Vans, to add two additional driveways at 1115 W. Fourth Street-one on W. Fourth Street and one on W. Fifth Street to accommodate delivery trucks was tabled at the last Council meeting. This has since been withdrawn by Mark Jones-no action is needed.

Acting Mayor Clough asked if there were any questions on the Heritage Days items (3 and 4).

Motion Petkovsek, second Clough, to approve extending Schuster Park hours under Ordinance Section 7-8-4(a) and (c) for the Heritage Days events as presented. All Aye.

Motion Counsell, second Petkovsek, to approve street closures for Heritage Days events as presented. All Aye.

Motion Counsell, second Petkovsek, that City Bills Nos. 275 to 319 in the amount of \$260,159.97 and TIF District No. 4 Account Bill No. 2 in the amount of \$150.00 be paid. All Aye.

Motion Petkovsek, second Counsell, to adjourn. All Aye.

Daniel M. Clough, Acting Mayor

Rex R. Roehl, Clerk

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