



City of Fort Atkinson
City Clerk/Treasurer's Office
101 N. Main Street
Fort Atkinson, WI 53538

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
REMOTE VIA PHONE USING ZOOM
THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2021 – 7:00 PM**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

President Becker called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: Cm. Housley, Cm. Johnson, Cm. Kotz, Cm. Scherer and President Becker. Also present: City Manager, City Attorney, City Engineer, City Clerk/Treasurer and Fire Chief.

**REVIEW AND POSSIBLE ACTION RELATING TO THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 16, 2021
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Cm. Scherer moved, seconded by Cm. Johnson to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – NONE.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ann Engelman, 428 Sherman Avenue E spoke on April being Poetry Month. She represented the Friends of Lorine Niedecker and honored her success as a long-time resident of the area.

PETITIONS, REQUESTS, AND COMMUNICATIONS – NONE.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES:

a. *Review and possible action relating to a Resolution declaring support for a strong state and local partnership: shared revenue funds critical services.*

Manager LeMire introduced the Resolution and discussed how the municipality is funded through property taxes and shared revenue from the State. The League of WI Municipalities has been encouraging local governments to adopt resolutions indicating the importance of the shared revenue.

Cm. Kotz moved, seconded by Cm. Scherer to adopt Resolution declaring support for a strong state and local partnership and direct the City Clerk to send the executed resolution to our State Legislators, Governor Tony Evers, and to the League of Wisconsin Municipalities. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES:

a. *City Manager's report.*

Manager LeMire provided her report. No action was taken.

b. Minutes of License Committee meeting held March 16, 2021.

Cm. Scherer moved, seconded by Cm. Johnson to accept and file the Reports of Officers, Boards and Committees. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – NONE.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Review and possible action relating to change order for construction at Fire Department.

Chief Rausch reviewed the activity that lead up to the change orders. This included additional features for stormwater management, added features or rearrangement of equipment and unserviceable equipment discovered during construction.

Cm. Kotz moved, seconded by Cm. Johnson to approve the change order #6 for construction at the Fire Department not to exceed \$92,787.03. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Review and possible action relating to change in Koshkonong Township fire protection. Chief Rausch presented the request for fire and EMS service to the Blackhawk Bluff area that lies in the Town of Koshkonong. This areas contains approximately 100 full-time residents and 50 homes or improved properties.

- EMS service cost - \$1,192 per year (this additional revenue will be passed directly to Ryan Brothers.)
- Fire service cost - \$5,023 annually (this revenue should be applied to continual overages in paid-on-call firefighter wages).

Cm. Scherer moved, seconded by Cm. Kotz to authorize the City Attorney prepare a formal contract addendum. Once the Town of Koshkonong approves a new contract addendum, implementation may take up to 60 days for the two dispatch centers to be notified and update their records to begin service approximately June 1, 2021. Motion carried.

Cm. Scherer made an amendment to include condition on Ryan Brothers approving the contract addendum. Seconded by Cm. Kotz. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS:

a. Review and possible action relating to request by Chamber of Commerce to hold Farmers Market in parking lot across from Post Office on Saturdays from May to October, and to close South Water Street East on six occasions for special events.

Cm. Kotz moved, seconded by Cm. Johnson to approve the Special Event for the Fort Atkinson Area Chamber of Commerce Fort Farmers Market on Saturday May 1, 2021 thru Saturday October 30, 2021 and street closures of S. Water Street East. Motion carried.

b. Review and possible action relating to Special Event request to hold Fort Youth Triathlon July 31 at multiple locations.

Cm. Kotz moved, seconded by Cm. Housley to approve the Special Event Youth Triathlon for the Parks & Recreation to be held on Saturday July 31, 2021 at Rock River Park, Aquatic Center and

Montclair Subdivision and approve closure of Sinnissippi Drive from 5:00 am to 11:00 am.
Motion carried.

c. Review and possible action relating to Special Event request to hold City of Fort Atkinson Park & Recreation World of Wheels September 18 at Ralph Park.

Cm. Housley moved, seconded by Cm. Johnson to approve the Special Event World of Wheels for the Parks & Recreation to be held on Saturday September 18, 2021 at Ralph Park. Motion carried.

d. Review and possible action relating to Renewal Alcohol Beverage License Application for Fort Atkinson Generals Baseball Team, Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage.

Cm. Scherer moved, seconded by Cm. Housley to approve the six month Renewal Alcohol Beverage License Application for Fort Atkinson Generals Baseball Team, Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage from April 9, 2021 to October 9, 2021. Motion carried.

e. Review and possible action relating to Renewal Alcohol Beverage License Application for Fort Atkinson Lions Club, Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage.

Cm. Housley moved, seconded by Cm. Scherer to approve the six month Renewal Alcohol Beverage License Application for Fort Atkinson Lions Club, Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage for May 1, 2021 to October 31, 2021. Motion carried.

f. Review and possible action relating to Original Alcohol Beverage License Application for Remington's, LLC d/b/a Jansen's for "Class B" Intoxicating Liquor and Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage License for use at 1245 Whitewater Ave.

Cm. Kotz moved, seconded by Cm. Johnson to approve the Original Alcohol Beverage License Application for Remington's, LLC d/b/a Jansen's for "Class B" Intoxicating Liquor and Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage License for use at 1245 Whitewater Ave. Motion carried.

g. Review and possible action relating to operator licenses.

Cm. Scherer moved, seconded by Cm. Johnson to approve operator licenses. Motion carried.

CLAIMS, APPROPRIATIONS AND CONTRACT PAYMENTS:

a. Review and possible action relating to verified claims presented by the Director of Finance.

Cm. Scherer moved, seconded by Cm. Johnson to approve list of verified claims presented by the Director of Finance and to authorize payment. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Cm. Housley moved, seconded by Cm. Johnson to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Ebbert
City Clerk/Treasurer

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APPROVED:

PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL