

**CITY OF SHEBOYGAN**  
**TWENTY-SIXTH REGULAR COMMON COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MINUTES**

**Monday, April 14, 2025**

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**OPENING OF MEETING**

**1. Roll Call**

Alderspersons present: Belanger, Dekker, Heidemann, La Fave, Mitchell, Perrella, Ramey, Rust – 8.

Alderspersons excused: Felde and Peterson – 2.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Approval of Minutes**

Twenty-Fifth Regular Council Meeting held on April 2, 2025

MOTION TO APPROVE

Motion made by Dekker, Seconded by Rust.

Voting Yea: Belanger, Dekker, Heidemann, La Fave, Mitchell, Perrella, Ramey, Rust – 8.

**4. Appointment**

Taylor Zeinert to the position of Director of Planning and Development

MOTION TO CONFIRM

Motion made by Dekker, Seconded by Rust.

Voting Yea: Belanger, Dekker, Heidemann, La Fave, Mitchell, Perrella, Ramey, Rust – 8.

**5. Public Forum**

Limit of five people having five minutes each with comments limited to items on this agenda. No one spoke.

**6. Mayor's Announcements**

Upcoming Community Events, Proclamations, Employee Recognitions

**CONSENT**

**7. Motion to Receive and File all R.O.'s, Receive all R.C.'s and Adopt all Resolutions and Ordinances**

Motion made by Dekker, Seconded by Rust.

Voting Yea: Belanger, Dekker, Heidemann, La Fave, Mitchell, Perrella, Ramey, Rust – 8.

8. R. O. No. 130-24-25 by Board of License Examiners submitting applications for Building Contractor Licenses already granted.

MOTION TO ACCEPT AND FILE

Motion made by Dekker, Seconded by Rust.

Voting Yea: Belanger, Dekker, Heidemann, La Fave, Mitchell, Perrella, Ramey, Rust – 8.

9. R. C. No. 287-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred Res. No. 190-24-25 by Alderpersons Mitchell and Perrella authorizing retaining outside legal counsel to represent the City in the matter of Dr. Belle Rose Ragins v. Mayor Ryan Sorenson and City of Sheboygan, WI, and authorizing payment for said services; recommends adopting the Resolution.

MOTION TO RECEIVE THE R. C. AND ADOPT THE RESOLUTION

Motion made by Dekker, Seconded by Rust.

Voting Yea: Belanger, Dekker, Heidemann, La Fave, Mitchell, Perrella, Ramey, Rust – 8.

10. R. C. No. 286-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 114-24-25 by City Clerk submitting a claim from Teresa Kay McAlpine for alleged damage to vehicle that was struck by a Sheboygan Metro Bus; recommends filing the document.

MOTION TO RECEIVE THE R. C. AND FILE THE DOCUMENT

Motion made by Dekker, Seconded by Rust.

Voting Yea: Belanger, Dekker, Heidemann, La Fave, Mitchell, Perrella, Ramey, Rust – 8.

11. R. C. No. 285-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred Gen. Ord. No. 40-24-25 by Alderpersons Mitchell and Perrella repealing Division 2-V-6 of the Sheboygan Municipal Code eliminating the Capital Improvements Commission; recommends adopting the Ordinance.

MOTION TO RECEIVE THE R. C. AND ADOPT THE ORDINANCE

Motion made by Dekker, Seconded by Rust.

Voting Yea: Belanger, Dekker, Heidemann, La Fave, Mitchell, Perrella, Ramey, Rust – 8.

12. R. C. No. 289-24-25 by Public Works Committee to whom was referred Res. No. 192-24-25 by Alderpersons Dekker and Ramey authorizing the appropriate City officials to enter into a contract with Seiler Bros. Construction Inc. for the 2025 Annual Sidewalk Program; recommends adopting the Resolution.

MOTION TO RECEIVE THE R. C. AND ADOPT THE RESOLUTION

Motion made by Dekker, Seconded by Rust.

Voting Yea: Belanger, Dekker, Heidemann, La Fave, Mitchell, Perrella, Ramey, Rust – 8.

13. R. C. No. 290-24-25 by Public Works Committee to whom was referred Res. No. 193-24-25 by Alderpersons Dekker and Ramey authorizing the appropriate City officials to enter into a contract with LaLonde Contractors, Inc. for the construction of the North 6th Street and North

7th Street (Bell Avenue – North Avenue) 2025 Street Improvements; recommends adopting the Resolution.

**MOTION TO RECEIVE THE R. C. AND ADOPT THE RESOLUTION**

Motion made by Dekker, Seconded by Rust.

Voting Yea: Belanger, Dekker, Heidemann, La Fave, Mitchell, Perrella, Ramey, Rust – 8.

14. R. C. No. 291-24-25 by Public Works Committee to whom was referred Res. No. 194-24-25 by Alderpersons Dekker and Ramey authorizing the appropriate City officials to enter into a contract with Vinton Construction Company for the North Commerce Street Improvements; recommends adopting the Resolution.

**MOTION TO RECEIVE THE R. C. AND ADOPT THE RESOLUTION**

Motion made by Dekker, Seconded by Rust.

Voting Yea: Belanger, Dekker, Heidemann, La Fave, Mitchell, Perrella, Ramey, Rust – 8.

15. R. C. No. 292-24-25 by Public Works Committee to whom was referred Res. No. 195-24-25 by Alderpersons Dekker and Ramey authorizing the appropriate City officials to enter into a contract with Cornerstone Pavers, LLC for the 2025 Street Improvements –South 18th Street (Washington Avenue to Mead Avenue); recommends adopting the Resolution.

**MOTION TO RECEIVE THE R. C. AND ADOPT THE RESOLUTION**

Motion made by Dekker, Seconded by Rust.

Voting Yea: Belanger, Dekker, Heidemann, La Fave, Mitchell, Perrella, Ramey, Rust – 8.

16. R. C. No. 293-24-25 by Public Works Committee to whom was referred Res. No. 196-24-25 by Alderpersons Dekker and Ramey authorizing the appropriate City officials to enter into a contract with Buteyn-Peterson Construction Company for the construction of the 2025 Street Improvements – North 25th Street (Superior Avenue – North Avenue); recommends adopting the Resolution.

**MOTION TO RECEIVE THE R. C. AND ADOPT THE RESOLUTION**

Motion made by Dekker, Seconded by Rust.

Voting Yea: Belanger, Dekker, Heidemann, La Fave, Mitchell, Perrella, Ramey, Rust – 8.

17. R. C. No. 294-24-25 by Public Works Committee to whom was referred Res. No. 197-24-25 by Alderpersons Dekker and Ramey authorizing the City Attorney’s Office to draft a Facility Access/Rental Agreement for use at the Uptown Social building; recommends adopting the Resolution.

**MOTION TO RECEIVE THE R. C. AND ADOPT THE RESOLUTION**

Motion made by Dekker, Seconded by Rust.

Voting Yea: Belanger, Dekker, Heidemann, La Fave, Mitchell, Perrella, Ramey, Rust – 8.

18. R. C. No. 295-24-25 by Licensing, Hearings, and Public Safety Committee to whom was referred pursuant to R. O. No. 126-24-25 by City Clerk submitting various license applications; recommends granting the licenses with caveats.

**MOTION TO RECEIVE THE R. C. AND GRANT WITH CAVEATS**

Motion made by Dekker, Seconded by Rust.

Voting Yea: Belanger, Dekker, Heidemann, La Fave, Mitchell, Perrella, Ramey, Rust – 8.

19. R. C. No. 297-24-25 by Licensing, Hearings, and Public Safety Committee to whom was referred Direct Referral R. O. No. 127-24-25 by Police Chief Kurt Zempel pursuant to section 30-50 of the Municipal Code, submitting the annual report for the Police Department for the year 2024; recommends filing the document.

**MOTION TO RECEIVE THE R. C. AND FILE THE DOCUMENT**

Motion made by Dekker, Seconded by Rust.

Voting Yea: Belanger, Dekker, Heidemann, La Fave, Mitchell, Perrella, Ramey, Rust – 8.

**REPORT OF OFFICERS**

20. R. O. No. 129-24-25 by City Clerk submitting a claim from Melissa Clevenger for alleged damages to vehicle when it was hit by City property. REFER TO THE FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL
21. R. O. No. 128-24-25 by City Clerk submitting a rezone application from POI Properties, LLC to amend the City of Sheboygan Official Zoning Map of the Sheboygan Zoning Ordinance to change the Use District Classification of property located at 120 Vollrath Boulevard - Parcel No. 59281014410 from Class Suburban Residential (SR-5) to Suburban Residential (SR-5) with PUD Overlay Classification. REFER TO CITY PLAN COMMISSION

**RESOLUTIONS**

22. Res. No. 198-24-25 by Alderpersons Mitchell and Perrella authorizing the appropriate City officials to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with Powerboat P1 USA, LLC regarding the terms and understanding between the parties with regard to the 2025 and 2026 Midwest Challenge offshore powerboat racing events. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL

**REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

23. R. C. No. 267-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. C. No. 254-23-24 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 40-23-24 by City Clerk submitting a notice of claim from Gregory R. Robinson for alleged injuries from a fall; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of the 2025-2026 council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL
24. R. C. No. 268-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. C. No. 251-23-24 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 9-23-24 by City Clerk submitting a Notice of Injury from Jacobs Injury Law, S.C. regarding alleged injuries to their client, Robert Autman; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of

the 2025-2026 council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL

25. R. C. No. 269-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. C. No. 261-23-24 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 103-23-24 by City Clerk submitting a Notice of Injury from Attorney Jordan P. Blad representing Douglas C. Diedrichs; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of the 2025-2026 council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL
26. R. C. No. 270-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. C. No. 263-23-24 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 127-23-24 by City Clerk submitting a claim from Irma Reyes and Jorge Martinez for alleged injuries due to an accident; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of the 2025-2026 council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL
27. R. C. No. 271-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. C. No. 266-23-24 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 78-23-24 by City Clerk submitting a Summons and Complaint in the matter of Walmart Real Estate Business Trust c/o Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. vs. City of Sheboygan; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of the 2025-2026 council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL
28. R. C. No 272-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 30-24-25 by City Clerk submitting a Notice of Injury by Attorney Jordan P. Blad for Phillip Link for alleged injuries that occurred on the Taylor Drive Multi-use Pathway; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of the 2025-2026 council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL
29. R. C. No. 273-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 42-24-25 by City Clerk submitting a Summons and Complaint in the matter of Shirley Winkleman vs. Sheboygan Police Department; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of the 2025-2026 council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL
30. R. C. No. 274-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 65-24-25 by City Clerk submitting a Notice of Claim from C. Norris Law Group in regards to alleged personal injuries and civil rights violations of Tommie Dixon; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of the 2025-2026 council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL
31. R. C. No. 275-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 54-24-25 by City Clerk submitting a notice of claim from Nora Gerber for alleged injuries resulting from a fall on the boardwalk; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of the 2025-2026 council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL
32. R. C. No. 276-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 16-24-25 by City Clerk submitting a Summons and Complaint in the matter of SCF RC Funding IV LLC vs. City of Sheboygan; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of

the 2025-2026 council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL

33. R. C. No. 277-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 85-24-25 by City Clerk submitting a Summons and Complaint in the matter of SCR RC Funding IV LLC vs City of Sheboygan; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of the 2025-2026 council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL
34. R. C. No. 278-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 89-24-25 by City Clerk submitting a Summons and Complaint in the matter of Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. v. City of Sheboygan; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of the 2025-2026 council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL
35. R. C. No. 279-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 97-24-25 by City Clerk submitting a Summons and Complaint in the matter of Planet Home Lending, LLC. vs. Breanna Crump et al; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of the 2025-2026 council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL
36. R. C. No. 280-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 107-24-25 by City Clerk submitting a Notice of Circumstances in the matter of Nathan Jackson, by his attorneys, Sperling Law offices LLC; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of the 2025-2026 council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL
37. R. C. No. 281-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 120-24-25 by City Clerk submitting a Summons and Complaint in the matter of Roger Miller, Erik Thelen, Belle Ragins, John Ehmann, Kenneth Lisberg, Deborah Lisberg, Gregory Hopkins, Toni Destefano vs. City of Sheboygan Plan Commission and City of Sheboygan Zoning Board of Appeals; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of the 2025-2026 council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL
38. R. C. No. 282-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 121-24-25 by City Clerk submitting a claim from State Farm for alleged damages to a vehicle owned by one of their insured drivers; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of the 2025-2026 council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL
39. R. C. No. 283-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 122-24-25 by City Clerk submitting a claim by Karina Berdyck for alleged damages to vehicle when it was hit by City property; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of the 2025-2026 council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL
40. R. C. No. 284-24-25 by Finance and Personnel Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 124-24-25 by City Clerk submitting a claim from Progressive Insurance on behalf of their insured Elizabeth Hmircik for alleged damages to vehicle that was struck by a City of Sheboygan snowplow; recommends referring to the Finance and Personnel Committee of the 2025-2026

council year. REFER TO FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL

41. R. C. No. 288-24-25 by Public Works Committee to whom was referred Res. No. 96-24-25 by Alderpersons Dekker and Ramey authorizing the appropriate City officials to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with Friends of the Shaw Family Playground, Inc. regarding the terms and understanding between the parties with regard to the playground designed for use by children of all abilities; recommends referring to the 2025-2026 Council. REFER TO THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL
42. R. C. No. 296-24-25 by Licensing, Hearings, and Public Safety Committee to whom was referred R. O. No. 126-24-25 by City Clerk submitting various license applications; recommends holding license number 3679. REFER TO THE LICENSING, HEARINGS, AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE OF THE 2025-2026 COUNCIL

### **GENERAL ORDINANCES**

43. Gen. Ord. No. 41-24-25 by Alderperson Belanger amending the City of Sheboygan Official Zoning Map of the Sheboygan Zoning Ordinance to change the Use District Classification of property located at 120 Vollrath Boulevard – Parcel No. 59281014410 from Class Suburban Residential (SR-5) to Suburban Residential (SR-5) with PUD Overlay Classification. REFER TO CITY PLAN COMMISSION
44. Gen. Ord. No. 42-24-25 by Alderpersons Rust and Perrella amending Sections 105-718 and 105-683 of the Sheboygan Municipal Code Zoning Code so as to add Pet Daycare Centers as a Commercial Land Use. REFER TO CITY PLAN COMMISSION

### **OTHER MATTERS AUTHORIZED BY LAW – None.**

### **ADJOURN MEETING**

45. Motion to Adjourn sine die

MOTION TO ADJOURN SINE DIE AT 6:19 PM

Motion made by Ramey, Seconded by Rust.

Voting Yea: Belanger, Dekker, Heidemann, La Fave, Mitchell, Perrella, Ramey, Rust

– 8.