

# CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, July 01, 2024 at 6:00 PM

Council Chambers - City Hall, 3rd Floor 1717 E. Park Street, Two Rivers, WI 54241

# **MINUTES**

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Council President Stechmesser called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM

#### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### 3. ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK

Councilmembers: Doug Brandt, Shannon Derby, Bill LeClair, Darla LeClair, Tim Petri, Bonnie Shimulunas, Scott Stechmesser. Absent and Excused: Adam Wachowski

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mike Mathis, Parks and Recreation Director; Jeff Dawson, Library Director; Dave Murack, Fire Chief; Kassie Paider, Finance Director; Matt Heckenlaible, Public Works Director; Rick Powell, IT Supervisor; Ben Meinnert, Police Chief and Greg Buckley, City Manager.

# 4. CONSIDERATION OF ANY COUNCIL MEMBER REQUESTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING FROM A REMOTE LOCATION

Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Motion made by Brandt, seconded by B. LeClair to approve Mark Bittner to participate in the meeting from a remote location.

Voting Yea: Brandt, Derby, B. LeClair, D. LeClair, Petri, Shimulunas, Stechmesser

#### 5. INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC

Andre Robitalille (2313 Jefferson Street) addressed the Council regarding the vision and purpose for Riverside Park. He feels too much is trying to be placed in the park and would like to see the park a skateboarding destination, a place for young children to play with their family and a multifunctional area to serve the neighborhood. He stated that the City should engage the community actively and target the neighborhood to make the park a really good fit for the residential area.

#### 6. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

#### 7. COUNCIL REPORTS FROM BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES

Council President Stechmesser reported he participated in the Main Street Car Show and it was amazing with a wonderful atmosphere and he received positive crowd comments

Councilmember D. LeClair reported on the following Boards:

-- Main Street: Due to the threat of rain Friday's Cool City Car Cruise attendance was down. The cruise did have nearly 400 cars participating, this made for about a 20-minute parade of cars which was about half of a typical year. She thanked those who participated and made for a fun and safe cruise again this year. The Cool City Classic Car Show had great weather and that drew 286 cars to the show.

--Environmental Advisory Board: Check out webpage found at <a href="www.two-rivers.org/EABoard">www.two-rivers.org/EABoard</a> with educational videos, helpful links and community resources.

Councilmember Derby reported she volunteered at Sundae Thursday and the Cool City Car Show and both events were well attended and very enjoyable.

#### 8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

# A. Status Update/Reports

# 1. Staffing Update

Mr. Buckley reported on the ongoing recruitments: Firefighter/Paramedic Full-Time – Scheduling Interviews; Paid-On Premise Paramedic – Scheduling Interviews; Police Officer Full-Time – Application Deadline 7/14/2024; Library Clerk Part-Time – Accepting Applications and the recruitment for Community Development Director/City Planner has been posted with applications being accepted through July 12.

# 2. Roosevelt Avenue Construction Project Update

Mr. Buckley reported the installation of sanitary sewer main (12th St to Lowell Street) is completed and plan to resume installation of water main from 9th Street to Lowell Street. Installation continues of sanitary and water services south/west of 10th Street. Storm sewer main will be installed as weather allows.

### 3. July 4 Holiday Event / July 5th Back-Up Date

Mr. Buckley reported on the Two Rivers Community-sponsored Fireworks - Walsh Field, 2201 Polk Street. 5:00 PM: Family activities/games/concessions. 7:20 PM: Flag-raising ceremony. 7:25 PM: Two Rivers Community Band. 8:30 PM: Sponsor appreciation. 8:50 PM: Entertainment. 9:30 PM: Fireworks.

#### 4. 2024 Yarn Bombing Two Rivers Main Street

Mr. Buckley thanked the artists who participated in the 2024 Two Rivers Yarn Bombing, which features 18 different yarn creations on downtown street light poles. Special thanks to Crescent Woolen Mills and Intertwined Yarn Shop for organizing this display, and to our Two Rivers Electric Utility staff for assisting in the installation.

#### 5. Braille Learning Table in Neshotah Park

Mike Mathis, Parks and Recreation reported at Neshotah Park playground to look for the new braille picnic table! Art Wulf, a family friend of a parks staff member, came up with this unique idea. Art's grandson Jensen was born with a rare disease called Norrie Disease, meaning he has been blind since birth. As a way to spread awareness about the disease and blindness, Art has started a quest to install a braille picnic table in all 50 states. Two Rivers is now home to Art's 5th table! The letters of the alphabet are written in braille, and there is also a secret braille message in the middle which you can decode! Learn more about the inspiration for this table at the family's YouTube channel <a href="https://youtube.com/@lifewithnorriedisease">https://youtube.com/@lifewithnorriedisease</a>.

#### 6. Library Summer Reading Program Underway

Mr. Buckley reported the summer reading program challenges all ages to earn fun stuff just for reading.

# 7. State Highway 310 Resurfacing Project

Mr. Buckley reported on the major repair and resurfacing project starting July 8, 2024 on USH 10/STH 310 from CTH P just west of I-43 to Columbus Street in Two Rivers.

# 8. Upcoming Events:

a. Friends of Point Beach Present Shipwrecks of Rawley Point, Wednesday, July 3, 1:00 PM, Point Beach State Forest Nature Center

- b. Cool River Classic Boat Show, Saturday, July 6, 12:00 to 4:00 PM, Paddlers Park
- c. Bands on Beach: Stephen Cooper & the Nobody Famous, Sunday, July 7, 2:00 to 6:00 PM, Neshotah Beach
- d. Kids Night: Chalk It Up!, Tuesday, July 9, 6:00 to 7:30 PM, Washington Park
- e. Concerts in the Park: Erin Krebs Jazz Quartet, Thursday, July 11, 6:00 to 8:00 PM, Central Park West
- f. Latino American Beach Festival, July 12-13, 12:00 to 11:00 PM, Neshotah Beach
- g. Bryan Lee Memorial Blues Festival, Saturday, July 13, 1:00 to 9:00 PM,

Central Park West

- h. Bands on the Beach: Panchromatic Steel, Sunday, July 14, 2:00 to 5:30 PM, Neshotah Beach
- i. Two Rivers Night at the Ball Park with the Wisconsin Timber Rattlers, Saturday, July 13, 6:40 PM, Fox Cities Stadium
- 9. Other
- Mr. Buckley thanked Electric Utility and Public Works Department staff for recent storm responses.
- Mr. Buckley reported on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Back to School Carnival. Two Rivers Senior Center is collecting new school supplies from June 1<sup>st</sup> to August with monetary donations being accepted.
- B. Legislative/Intergovernmental Update

#### 9. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Presentation of Minutes
  - 1. City Council Meeting June 17, 2024
  - 2. City Council Work Session June 24, 2024

Recommended Action:

Motion to waive reading and adopt the minutes

- B. Minutes of Meetings
  - 1. Advisory Recreation Board, June 12, 2024
  - 2. Environmental Advisory Board, June 18, 2024
  - 3. Business and Industrial Development Committee and Community Development Authority, June 25, 2024

Recommended Action:

Motion to receive and file

- C. Applications and Petitions
  - 1. Temporary Class "B" Beer License for Rotary Club of Two Rivers; Michael Ditmer, Agent; Bands on the Beach, July 7, Neshotah Beach, 2111 Pierce Street
  - 2. Temporary Class "B" Beer License for Rotary Club of Two Rivers; Michael Ditmer, Agent; Bands on the Beach, July 14, Neshotah Beach, 2111 Pierce Street
  - 3. Temporary Class "B" Beer License for Rotary Club of Two Rivers; Michael Ditmer, Agent; Downtown Friday Night Live Concert Series, July 19, Central Park West, 1700 Washington Street
  - 4. Temporary Class "B" Beer License for Rotary Club of Two Rivers; Michael Ditmer, Agent; Bands on the Beach, August 4, Neshotah Beach, 2111 Pierce Street
  - 5. Temporary Class "B" Beer License for Rotary Club of Two Rivers; Michael Ditmer, Agent; Bands on the Beach, August 11, Neshotah Beach, 2111 Pierce Street
  - 6. Temporary Class "B" Beer License for Rotary Club of Two Rivers; Michael Ditmer, Agent; Downtown Friday Night Live Concert Series, August 16, Central Park West, 1700 Washington Street
  - 7. Temporary Class "B" Beer License for Rotary Club of Two Rivers; Michael Ditmer, Agent; Bands on the Beach, August 17, Neshotah Beach, 2111 Pierce Street

- 8. Temporary Class "B" Beer License for Rotary Club of Two Rivers; Michael Ditmer, Agent; Downtown Friday Night Live Concert Series, August 23, Central Park West, 1700 Washington Street
- 9. Temporary Class "B" Beer License for Rotary Club of Two Rivers; Michael Ditmer, Agent; Bands on the Beach, August 25, Neshotah Beach, 2111 Pierce Street
- 10. Temporary Class "B" Beer License for Rotary Club of Two Rivers; Michael Ditmer, Agent; Downtown Friday Night Live Concert Series, August 30, Central Park West, 1700 Washington Street
- 11. Temporary Class "B" Beer License for Rotary Club of Two Rivers; Michael Ditmer, Agent; Downtown Friday Night Live Concert Series, September 13, Central Park West, 1700 Washington Street
- 12. Temporary Class "B" Beer License for Rotary Club of Two Rivers; Michael Ditmer, Agent; Downtown Friday Night Live Concert Series, September 27, Central Park West, 1700 Washington Street

Recommended Action:

Motion to approve the applications and authorize issuance of the licenses

- D. Renewal License Applications for Period of July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025
  - 1. Combination Class "A" Beer/"Class A" Liquor Licenses Qty 2
  - 2. Combination Class "B" Beer/"Class B" Liquor Licenses Qty 3
  - 3. Cigarette and Tobacco Retail Products Licenses Qty 2
  - 4. Landscaping / Tree Removal Licenses Qty 1

Recommended Action:

Motion to approve the applications and authorize issuance of the licenses as provided for in the list submitted by the City Clerk and upon satisfactory inspection

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION FOR CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the various actions recommended

Motion carried with a voice vote.

Motion made by B. LeClair, seconded by D. LeClair. Voting Yea: Bittner, Brandt, Derby, B. LeClair, D. LeClair, Petri, Shimulunas, Stechmesser.

#### 10. CITY COUNCIL - FORMAL ITEMS

A. Proclamation Proclaiming July 13, 2024 as Bryan Lee Day Recommended Action:

Motion to read and adopt the proclamation

Motion carried with a roll call vote.

Motion made by D. LeClair, seconded by B. LeClair. Voting Yea: Bittner, Brandt, Derby, B. LeClair, D. LeClair, Petri, Shimulunas, Stechmesser.

B. Resolution Addressing Ad Hoc Community Aquatics Committee Report and Setting Conditions for Possible Placement of a Ballot Issue Pertaining to City Tax Levy Support for Community Pool Operations on the Spring 2025 Ballot

Recommended Action:

Motion to waive reading and adopt the resolution

Motion carried with a roll call vote.

Motion made by Shimulunas, seconded by Petri. Voting Yea: Bittner, Brandt, Derby, B. LeClair, D. LeClair, Petri, Shimulunas, Stechmesser.

C. Riverside Park Master Plan

Recommended Action:

Motion to adopt the plan, as recommended by the Advisory Recreation Board

Motion carried with a roll call vote.

Motion made by Petri, seconded by Brandt. Voting Yea: Bittner, Brandt, Derby, B. LeClair, D. LeClair, Petri, Shimulunas, Stechmesser.

D. City Manager's Recommended Appointment to Committee on Aging - Ruth Kadow to Fill the Unexpired Balance of Lenore McDonough Citizen Member Term to May 1, 2025 Recommended Action:

Motion to approve the appointment, as recommended by the City Manager

Motion carried with a roll call vote.

Motion made by B. LeClair, seconded by Derby. Voting Yea: Bittner, Brandt, Derby, B. LeClair, D. LeClair, Petri, Shimulunas, Stechmesser.

E. Update on Use of County-Shared American Rescue Plan Funds for Lead Water Service Replacement

Recommended Action:

Informational only at this time; may require action on project financing structure

Public Works Director/City Engineer Matt Heckenlaible addressed this topic.

#### 11. FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- A. City Council Regular Meeting, Monday, July 15, 2024, 6:00 PM
- B. City Council Work Session Meeting, Monday, July 29, 2024, 6:00 PM

#### 14. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of this meeting and adjourn this meeting at 8:00 PM.

Motion carried with a voice vote.

Motion made by Petri, seconded by B. LeClair. Voting Yea: Bittner, Brandt, Derby, B. LeClair, D. LeClair, Petri, Shimulunas, Stechmesser.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Kuehn, Deputy City Clerk