

**Common Council Minutes  
Tuesday May 19, 2026**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Stocks called the regular meeting of the City of Watertown Common Council to order at 7:03 p.m. on Tuesday, May 19, 2026. This meeting was open for attendance in the council chambers as well as virtually.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll call indicated the following Alderpersons present: Ald. Davis, Lampe, Berg, Nitecki, Blanke, Smith, Arnett, Haase and Moldenhauer. City staff present were Police Chief David Brower, City Attorney Ali Panagopoulos, Finance Director Mark Stevens, Streets Superintendent Stacy Winkelman, Public Works Director Andrew Beyer, and City Clerk Megan Dunneisen.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

**MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING**

Mayor Stocks inquired if there were additions or corrections to minutes of the Common Council meeting held Tuesday, May 5, 2026. There being none, Ald. Berg moved to approve, seconded by Ald. Moldenhauer and carried by unanimous voice vote.

**COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT**

No comments were received.

**REPORTS**

*(Complete minutes are open for public inspection in the Finance/Clerk Department.)*

The following reports were received and filed: Licensing Board minutes from April 9, 2026, Park, Recreation, and Forestry minutes from April 20, 2026, Senior Center Advisory Board minutes from April 21, 2026, Site Plan Review minutes from April 27, 2026, Plan Commission minutes of April 27, 2026, Finance Committee minutes from April 27, 2026, Public Safety & Welfare minutes from May 6, 2026, Public Works Commission minutes from May 12, 2026, Tourism minutes from May 14, 2026

**COMMUNICATIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Mayor Stocks gave employee recognition to Honorable Judge Mark Sweet Elected Official for ten years of service, Cory Schultz Fire Department for five years of service, and Lisa Famularo Media Productions for five years of service. Mayor Stocks gave recognition to Alderpersons Dan Bartz and Bob Wetzel for their years of service.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Ald. Smith made a motion to approve the appointments of Kyle Krueger serving his third three-year term expiring May 1, 2029 to the Park, Rec & Forestry Commission and Steve Board – serving his second one-year term expiring May 1, 2027 and Courtney Krause – serving her third one-year term expiring May 1, 2027 to the Tourism Board, seconded by Ald. Lampe and carried by roll call vote: Yes-9; No-0; Abstain-0.

**LICENSES:**

Ald. Blanke made a motion to approve the applications for Temporary Class "B" Beer licenses from Watertown Cardinals Baseball Organization Inc for Home Game vs Lebanon Whitetails on June 26, 2026 4pm-11pm, Home Game vs Farmington Flames on July 12, 2026 10am-5pm, Home Game vs Johnson Creek Pioneers on August 1, 2026 10am - 5pm, located at Washington Park 635 S. 12th Street, seconded by Ald. Nitecki and carried by unanimous voice vote.

Ald. Moldenhauer made a motion to approve the applications for Temporary Class "B" Beer licenses from Watertown Rotary Club for Watertown Concert Series on May 30, 2026, and June

20, 2026 during the hours of 5pm-10pm, located at Bentzin Family Town Square 1 W. Main Street, seconded by Ald. Lampe and carried by unanimous voice vote.

### **ORDINANCES**

Ord. 26-15 - Ordinance to amend section 428-7(A) (Special Event Definitions) and 428-7(C) (Special Event Exemptions) (Sponsor: Ald. Davis From: Public Safety and Welfare, First Reading). Ald. Davis moved for adoption of ordinance 26-15 on its first reading, seconded by Ald. Blanke and carried by roll call vote: Yes-9; No-0; Abstain-0.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

*Resolutions below are listed in order of the agenda but may not be the order by which they were taken up at the Council meeting.*

Exh. 9862 - Resolution for Wastewater Utility 2025 Compliance Maintenance Annual Report (Sponsor: Ald. Arnett From: Public Works Commission). Ald. Lampe moved to adopt resolution 9862, seconded by Ald. Berg and carried by unanimous voice vote.

Exh. 9863 - Resolution to approve State Municipal Financial Agreement between Wisconsin Department of Transportation and City of Watertown for 2033 W. Main Street Reconstruction Project (Sponsor: Mayor Stocks From: Finance Committee). Ald. Smith moved to adopt resolution 9863, seconded by Ald. Haase and carried by roll call vote: Yes-9; No-0; Abstain-0.

Exh. 9864 - Resolution to approve Wisconsin Department of Transportation Functional Classification Map (Sponsor: Ald. Arnett From: Public Works Commission). Ald. Arnett moved to adopt resolution 9864, seconded by Ald. Lampe and carried by unanimous voice vote.

Exh. 9865 - Resolution to accept bid from Watertown Daily Times for publication of council proceedings and city advertisings and designate official city newspaper (Sponsor: Mayor Stocks From: Finance Committee). Ald. Lampe moved to adopt resolution 9865, seconded by Ald. Berg and carried by roll call vote: Yes-9; No-0; Abstain-0.

Exh. 9866 - Resolution to waive prohibition of golf cart operation under Wis. Stat. Sec. 349.18 and 410-11(C) of the Watertown Municipal Code on May 25, 2026 (Sponsor: Mayor Robert Stocks). Ald. Moldenhauer moved to adopt resolution 9866, seconded by Ald. Davis and carried by unanimous voice vote.

Exh. 9867- Resolution to authorize the execution of a contract for senior center elevator modernization (Sponsor: Mayor Stocks From: Finance Committee). Ald. Smith moved to adopt resolution 9867, seconded by Ald. Nitecki and carried by roll call vote: Yes-9; No-0; Abstain-0.

### **COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT**

No comments were received.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Ald. Davis moved to adjourn, seconded by Ald. Blanke, and carried by unanimous voice vote at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Dunneisen, City Clerk

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