



A G E N D A
CITY OF WAUPUN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE
Waupun City Hall – 201 E. Main Street, Waupun WI
Tuesday, July 25, 2023 at 4:15 PM

The Economic Development Committee will meet in person and via Zoom. Information for virtual meeting attendance follows:

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Meeting ID: 879 2032 5599

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

CONSIDERATION - ACTION

1. Approve Minutes from June 27, 2023 Economic Development Committee Meeting
2. Approve Minutes from June 27, 2023 Economic Development Committee Closed Session Meeting

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

The Economic Development Committee will adjourn in closed session under Section 19.85 (1) of the WI Statutes for:

(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

3. Investing Public Funds for Property Located Along Libby
4. Investing Public Funds for Housing Development in TID 9
5. Negotiate Lease at 1208 Moorman Drive

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The Economic Development Committee will reconvene in open session under Section 19.85(2) of the WI Statutes.

ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services. For additional information, contact the City Clerk at 920-324-7915.



CLOSED SESSION MINUTES
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Item 1.

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Vice-Chair Kaczmarski called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

Roll call taken with the following members present: Dan Siebers, Pete Kaczmarski, Kathy Schlieve, Dan Vande Zande, and Steve Brooks. Jason Westphal arrives at 4:20 pm. The Envision Greater Fond du Lac position is vacant. Absent and excused are Jeff Daane and Mayor Bishop.

Motion Siebers, second Brooks to approve Meeting Minutes from May 31, 2023 Economic Development Committee Meeting. Carried unanimously.

Motion Kaczmarski, second Siebers to approve Closed Session Minutes from May 31, 2023 Economic Development Meeting. Carried unanimously.

Kaczmarski recommends moving to closed session discussion, pending arrival of Westphal. Motion Siebers, second Brooks to adjourn in closed session under Section 19.85 (1) of the WI Statutes for:
(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

Motion Kaczmarski, second Siebers to reconvene the Economic Development Committee in open session under Section 19.85(2) of the WI Statutes. Carried unanimously.

Schlieve discusses the most recent changes for the childcare sector as a result of the new 2023-2025 biennium budget for the State of WI and the impact on Wee Care’s Childcare Stabilization Grant scope reduction. The application as presented is reduced significantly in scope (\$250K to \$125K) but the proposed design still accomplishes the goal of increasing licensed spaces available to the public. The primary reason behind this reduction is due to loss of Childcare Counts funding that was not renewed in the state budget (50% reduction as of June 1; remaining goes away in January) and concern about the center’s ability to maintain wages necessary to keep staffing levels strong. As noted in the application, keeping capital costs low to maintain and grow available licensed spaces is key. Hence, we are requesting a modification to the grant application based on the loss of childcare counts. We are seeking the full amount of the project, capped at \$125K. That is a change to the program previously approved by the Council, which approved a match. Anticipate WI could lose 80K licensed spaces without funding restored. AND/OR tuition increases will be passed to families in the range of a 20-30% increase (infant care average \$13,572 in 2022 – taking cost to \$16,286 – 17,644). The application is reviewed. General discussion by the committee about the importance of maintaining the program as approved by Council. Motion Westphal, second Siebers to award a Childcare Stabilization Grant to Wee Care for 50% of the proposed cost - \$62,250. Carried unanimously. Schlieve indicates that Wee Care can approach the CDA and that she will be recommending additional funding for the business based on earlier discussions. There is general support expressed for that approach.

From closed session, motion Siebers, second Brooks to not consider sale of a portion of the McCune park land near the Waupun Armory for the purpose of a parking lot due to its direct conflict with the McCune Park Masterplan. Schlieve is requested to bring this recommendation to the Common Council for final review. Carried unanimously.

Motion Siebers, second Kaczmarski to adjourn the meeting. Carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:53 p.m.