

Common Council Meeting

Whitewater Municipal Building Community Room, 312 West Whitewater St., Whitewater, WI 53190 *In Person and Virtual

Tuesday, June 03, 2025 - 6:00 PM

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MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Singer called the meeting to order at 6pm.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Council President Patrick Singer Councilmember Greg Majkrzak Councilmember Michael M.Smith Councilmember Steven Sahyun Councilmember Brian Schanen Councilmember Neil Hicks

City Manager John Weidl

City Attorney Tim Brovold

Public Works Director Brad Marquardt

City Clerk Heather Boehm

ABSENT

Councilmember Orin O.Smith

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A councilmember can choose to remove an item from the agenda or rearrange its order; however, introducing new items to the agenda is not allowed. Any proposed changes require a motion, a second, and approval from the Council to be implemented. The agenda shall be approved at each meeting even if no changes are being made at that meeting.

Motion to Approve the Agenda with a strike through item 22 to come back on a future agenda made by Councilmember Schanen, Seconded by Councilmember Majkrzak.

Voting Yea: Council President Singer, Councilmember Majkrzak, Councilmember M.Smith, Councilmember Sahyun, Councilmember Schanen, Councilmember Hicks

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the Consent Agenda will be approved together unless any council members requests that an item be removed for individual consideration.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda with added items 18, 24 and 25 made by Councilmember Hicks, Seconded by Councilmember Schanen.

Voting Yea: Council President Singer, Councilmember Majkrzak, Councilmember M.Smith, Councilmember Sahyun, Councilmember Schanen, Councilmember Hicks

- 1. Approval of Common Council Meeting Minutes from May 20, 2025.
- 2. Approval of the Common Council Visioning Session Meeting Minutes from May 13, 2025.
- 3. Community Development Authority Meeting minutes from April 8, 2025 and April 17, 2025.
- 4. Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes from April 21, 2025.
- 5. Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes from March 19, 2025 and April 16, 2025.
- 6. Urban Forestry Commission Meeting Minutes from October 10, 2024, January 27, 2025, February 24, 2025 and March 24, 2025.
- 7. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes from April 22, 2025.
- 8. Equal Opportunities Commission Meeting Minutes from February 3, 2025.
- 9. Resignation of Mark Dorn from the Community Involvement & Cable TV Commission.
- 10. Resignation of Gloria Bluey from Landmarks Commission.
- 11. Recommendation of Elena Levy-Navarro to Aquatic Center Committee.
- 12. Recommendation of award of Janitorial Services contract to Perfection Plus Building Services.
- 13. Recommendation of contract award to CCCP's FortiVoice for the Telephony RFP.
- 14. Recommendation to extend the contract for the flock cameras.
- 15. Police Department Vehicle Replacement Schedule.

16. Closed Session Meeting Minutes memo.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

17. City Manager Report

City Manager John Weidl gave his bi-monthly update of City events and accomplishments, including reports from the following departments: Public Works, IT, Police Department, Fire Department, Library, Park & Rec, Economic Development, and Human Resources.

STAFF REPORTS

Update on Parking Lot C, corner of Whitewater St and Center St-Public Works
 This item was moved into the Consent Agenda.

HEARING OF CITIZEN COMMENTS

No formal Council action will be taken during this meeting although issues raised may become a part of a future agenda. Participants are allotted a three minute speaking period. Specific items listed on the agenda may not be discussed at this time; however, citizens are invited to speak to those specific issues at the time the Council discusses that particular item.

To make a comment during this period, or during any agenda item: On a computer or handheld device, locate the controls on your computer to raise your hand. You may need to move your mouse to see these controls. On a traditional telephone, dial *6 to unmute your phone and dial *9 to raise your hand.

RESOLUTION

19. Resolution to Create Lakes District in the City of Whitewater- Parks

Assistant Parks & Rec, Community Events Director, Michelle Dujardin spoke on the Lakes District.

Councilmember Majkrzak spoke on the Lakes District.

Councilmember Schanen spoke on the Lakes District.

Councilmember Hicks spoke on the Lakes District.

Councilmember M. Smith spoke on the Lakes District.

Council President Singer spoke on the Lakes District.

City Attorney Tim Brovold spoke on the Lakes District.

Brad Cervanski (N9503 Woodward Rd) spoke on the Lakes District.

Mark Maas (1253 Black River Ct) spoke on the Lakes District.

Lee Loveall (515&601 E Milwaukee St) spoke on the Lakes District.

Donald Huntington (8795 Territorial Rd) spoke on the Lakes District.

Carol McCormick (555 E Clay St) spoke on the Lakes District.

Ginny Coburn (2 Coburn Ln) spoke on the Lakes District.

John Gable (144 N Fremont St) spoke on the Lakes District.

Geoff Hale (599 S Franklin St) spoke on the Lakes District.

Kevin Green (365 W Ann St) spoke on the Lakes District.

Gayle Stettler (327 W Ann St) spoke on the Lakes District.

Jeff Knight (405 Panther Ct) spoke on the Lakes District.

Kristine Zaballos (1143 W Walworth Ave) spoke on the Lakes District.

Council President Singer read into record Councilmember O. Smith's perspective on the Lakes District, as O. Smith was unable to attend the Council meeting.

"I am in favor of the Lakes District for many reasons. Even the formation of this proposal has shown what a small group of passionate locals can accomplish, and I have no doubt that the Lakes District would show the same results. The Lakes are an asset to the whole community, and I believe that is it important to treat them that way. Lakes Districts in surrounding areas have been successful and are relatively common. I think that this is a shining example of a situation where the Council must work with the community for the betterment of all, and I look forward to seeing what the Lakes District can accomplish."

Motion to direct City staff to draft up, potential binding and nonbinding referendum questions, for placement on the April 7th ballot, added to Agenda by Q3, made by Councilmember Schanen, Seconded by Councilmember M.Smith.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Majkrzak, Councilmember M.Smith, Councilmember Schanen, Councilmember Hicks

Voting Nay: Council President Singer, Councilmember Sahyun

ORDINANCES

First Reading

20. Ordinance 2025-O-16 an Ordinance amending 2.73.010 Lake Advisory Committee's membership to include one member of the Common Council.- **Finance**

Motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2025-O-16 made by Councilmember Majkrzak, Seconded by Councilmember Sahyun.

Voting Yea: Council President Singer, Councilmember Majkrzak, Councilmember M.Smith, Councilmember Sahyun, Councilmember Schanen, Councilmember Hicks

Motion to waive the second reading of Ordinance 2025-O-16 made by Councilmember Schanen, Seconded by Councilmember Majkrzak.

Voting Yea: Council President Singer, Councilmember Majkrzak, Councilmember M.Smith, Councilmember Sahyun, Councilmember Schanen, Councilmember Hicks

21. Ordinance 2025-O-19 an Ordinance amending Subsection 11.12.011-Stop Signs by adding stop signs on Peck Street at Whiton Street intersection - **Public Works**

Motion to approve Ordinance 2025-O-19 made by Councilmember Schanen. Motion failed as there was no Second.

22. Ordinance 2025-O-20 an ordinance to amend chapter 2.48.080 Removal of Members to extend to boards and committees so it aligns with 2.12.013.- **City Manager**

This item was removed from the Agenda.

Second Reading

23. Ordinance 2025-O-18 an ordinance amending Chapter 2.08.010 Meetings to change the time of Common Council Meetings from 6:30 pm start time to 6:00pm start time. - City Clerk

Motion to approve Ordinance 2025-O-18 made by Councilmember Majkrzak, Seconded by Councilmember Schanen.

Voting Yea: Council President Singer, Councilmember Majkrzak, Councilmember M.Smith, Councilmember Sahyun, Councilmember Schanen, Councilmember Hicks

CONSIDERATIONS

24. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Cancellation of the July 1, 2025 Common Council Meeting-City Clerk

This item was moved into the Consent Agenda.

25. Request for approval of annual renewals of certain Class "A"; Class "A", Class "B", Class "B" Beer and Liquor Licenses.-City Clerk

This item was moved into the Consent Agenda.

26. Councilmember Requests for Future Agenda Items or Committee items. Questions Councilmember Schanen spoke about Future Agenda items.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- 27. More information on the survey capabilities- **Smith June 17, 2025.**
- 28. Request for Proposal for City Assessor. June 17, 2025

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made at 7:23pm by Councilmember Schanen, Seconded by Councilmember Majkrzak. Voting Yea: Council President Singer, Councilmember Majkrzak, Councilmember M.Smith, Councilmember Sahyun, Councilmember Schanen, Councilmember Hicks

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2023-2025 City of Whitewater's 5 strategic goals: Build single-family homes, Communicate with the community without the newspaper, Support a thriving business community, Recruitment and retention efforts with a focus on diversity, and Prioritization of expenditures with available resources.