



Common Council Meeting

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

Tuesday, July 15, 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 Orin O. 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

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 made by Councilmember O.Smith, Seconded by Councilmember Schanen.

Voting Yea: Council President Singer, Councilmember Majkrzak, Councilmember M.Smith, Councilmember O.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 adding in items 16, 17, 18 made by Councilmember O.Smith, Seconded by Councilmember Schanen.

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

1. Approval of Common Council Meeting Minutes from June 17, 2025.
2. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes from May 27, 2025.
3. CDA Meeting Minutes from May 15, 2025.
4. Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes from May 19, 2025.
5. Lake Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes from April 2, 2025.
6. Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes from May 13, 2025 and June 10, 2025.
7. Approval of the Police Hiring Strategy.
8. Core Services Report

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, Police Department, Fire Department, Library, Park & Rec, Economic Development.

9. City Manager Report.

STAFF REPORTS

10. Update on City Attorney- **HR**
HR Director Marquardt gave an update on the new City Attorney.
11. Update on the School Resource Officer in the Whitewater School District.- **PD**
Police Chief Meyer gave an update on the School Resource Officer.

12. 2024-2026 Departmental Budget Goal and Progress Update. - **City Manager**
City Manager Weidl gave an update on the Budget goal and progress.
13. Update on Walworth Ave and Prince Street intersection.- **Public Works**
Public Works Director Marquardt gave an update on the Walworth Ave and Prince St.

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.

CONSIDERATIONS

14. Discussion and Possible Action regarding the denial of a Tobacco, Cigarette, and Electronic Vaping Application for Hemp 1848, Inc. - **City Clerk**
Motion to refer this to the Alcohol Committee and bring it back to the 8/19 Council meeting made by Council President Singer, Seconded by Councilmember M.Smith.
Voting Yea: Council President Singer, Councilmember Majkrzak, Councilmember M.Smith, Councilmember Sahyun, Councilmember Hicks
Voting Nay: Councilmember O.Smith, Councilmember Schanen
15. Discussion and Possible Action regarding the approval of The Waypoint Bar and Games, LLC, Class B, Beer and Liquor license.- **City Clerk**
Larry Kachel (457 S Buckingham Blvd) spoke on the Waypoint alcohol license.
Motion to approve the Class B Beer & Liquor License made by Councilmember M.Smith, Seconded by Councilmember O.Smith.
Voting Yea: Council President Singer, Councilmember Majkrzak, Councilmember M.Smith, Councilmember O.Smith, Councilmember Sahyun, Councilmember Schanen, Councilmember Hicks
16. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Guanajuato Produce LLC, 230 E Milwaukee Street, application for Class A Beer License.- **City Clerk**
This item was moved to the Consent Agenda.
17. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Licensing for O365, migration to G3 email tenant, and multi-factor authentication- **IT**
This item was moved to the Consent Agenda.
18. Approve to purchase equipment with awarded grant funds. - **Fire Department**
This item was moved to the Consent Agenda.

19. Discussion and Possible Action regarding appointing a Common Council member to the Lakes Advisory Committee- **City Manager**
Motion to appoint Orin Smith as the Council Rep on the Lakes Advisory made by Councilmember Majkrzak, Seconded by Councilmember Schanen.
Voting Yea: Council President Singer, Councilmember Majkrzak, Councilmember M.Smith, Councilmember O.Smith, Councilmember Sahyun, Councilmember Schanen, Councilmember Hicks
20. Discussion and Possible Action regarding the City Manager Review of Goals and Strategic Plan Modifications- **City Manager**
21. Discussion and Possible Action regarding First Amendment to Space Lease Agreement with Edge Broadband (Whitewater Wideband LLC)- **Public Works**
Motion to approve the amendment to the lease agreement with Edge Broadband made by Councilmember Schanen, Seconded by Councilmember O.Smith.
Voting Yea: Council President Singer, Councilmember Majkrzak, Councilmember M.Smith, Councilmember O.Smith, Councilmember Sahyun, Councilmember Schanen, Councilmember Hicks
22. Councilmember Requests for Future Agenda Items or Committee items. Questions
Councilmember Schanen asked to look into the feasibility of having tobacco, vape, hemp, etc hearings to ALC.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

23. Fire Department Presentation.- **Q3**
24. Referendum question for Lake District- **Schanen Q3**
25. Survey Updates - **Q3**
26. Community Involvement & Cable TV Commission dissolution & transfer duties to EOC- **Q3**
27. TDS update on Government Channel- **Schanen Q3**
28. Update on Housing and Strategy- **O. Smith 8/19/25**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 6:56pm made by Councilmember Majkrzak, Seconded by Councilmember O.Smith.
Voting Yea: Council President Singer, Councilmember Majkrzak, Councilmember M.Smith, Councilmember O.Smith, Councilmember Sahyun, Councilmember Schanen, Councilmember Hicks

Anyone requiring special arrangements is asked to call the Office of the City Manager / City Clerk (262-473-0102) at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

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.