

MINUTES

EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Tuesday, October 10, 2023

City Council Chamber

4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Council President Berge called the meeting to order. The following Council Members were present: Emily Anderson, Emily Berge, Jill Christopherson, Kate Felton, Jeremy Gragert, Charles Johnson, Roderick Jones, Larry Mboga, Joshua Miller, Jessica Schoen and Andrew Werthmann.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for the following items of routine business on Tuesday, October 10, 2023:

- Adopting the Consent Agenda.
- Approving the Minutes of the September 26, 2023 Council Legislative Session.
- Granting new bartender licenses.
- Granting a Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage license to SBG Apple North IV, LLC, d/b/a Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar, 4745 Golf Road, Casimir J. Banaszek, agent.
- Granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Temporary Class B Wine license to Regis Catholic Schools, Inc. d/b/a Regis High School Booster Club, President Becky Semling, 2100 Fenwick Avenue, on October 13, 2023 for the Eau Claire County Crime Stoppers 7th Annual Benefit Concert event.
- Granting a Change of Agent for the Combination Class A Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage license of Skogen's Foodliner Inc., d/b/a Festival Foods #2733, 2615 N Clairemont Avenue, from Michael L. Siakpere to Martha Cha-Kegel be approved.
- Granting a Change of Agent for the Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage license of 422 Water Street LLC., d/b/a 410 Club or Social Club, 410 Galloway Street, from Lisa K. Aspenson to John S. Mogensen be approved.
- Authorizing the Community Services Department to submit an application to the Department of Natural Resources for an Urban Forestry grant.
- Authorizing Festival Foods to conduct the Festival Foods Turkey Trot on Thursday, November 23, 2023 in downtown Eau Claire and along City streets, trails, and sidewalks.
- Authorizing the City of Eau Claire Police Department to apply for a grant from the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Miller and seconded by Council Member Johnson "to adopt the consent resolution." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

BUSINESS AGENDA

The City Council considered a resolution accepting and appropriating a grant from the Eau Claire Community foundation. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Jones and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution accepting and appropriating Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) formula program funds from the US Department of Justice, Office of Justice Program, Bureau of Justice Assistance. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Gragert “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing granting a Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage license and Class A Cabaret license to Pizza Plus LLC, d/b/a The Metro, 201 E Lake Street, Benny Haas, agent. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Schoen “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by the following vote: Aye: Council Members: Anderson, Christopherson, Felton, Gragert, Johnson, Mboga, and Miller. Nay: Council Members: Berge, Jones, Schoen, and Werthmann.

The City Council considered a resolution approving appointments and reappointments to various Boards, Commissions and Committees. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Mboga and seconded by Council Member Felton “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution accepting the conveyance of temporary utility, permanent utility, and access easements along S. Lowes Creek Road and adjacent to Interstate 94. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Miller and seconded by Council Member Johnson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Mboga left the meeting.

The City Council considered a resolution Final resolution approving the projects and levying special assessments for street and utility improvements on S. Lowes Creek Road, 780 Feet North of Mischler Drive to South Property Line (5551 S. Lowes Creek Road) (23-120). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Jones and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance rezone property from R-1 to R-3P located at 4808 E Hamilton Avenue (Z-1733-23).

WORK SESSION

Following the Legislative session, the Council convened in the Council Chambers for a Work Session on the 2024 Operating budget.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection.

Adjournment: Tuesday, October 10, 2023

Time: 5:28 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Emily K. Berge
Council President

/s/ Nicholas L. Koerner
City Clerk