



CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON, OZAUKEE COUNTY, WI  
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, JULY 15, 2024 AT 5:00 P.M.  
Port Washington City Hall, 100 W. Grand Avenue, Port Washington, WI 53074

MINUTES

1. **ROLL CALL-** Mayor Ted Neitzke IV convened the meeting of the Common Council at 5:00 p.m. Members present were Alderpersons Deborah Postl, Paul Neumyer, Mike Gasper, Dan Benning, Jonathan Pleitner, Patrick Tearney, and John Sigwart. Also present was City Administrator Melissa Pingel, City Clerk Susan Westerbeke, City Attorney Eric Eberhardt, Public Works Director Rob Vanden Noven, Director of Planning and Development Bob Harris.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG-** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. **CONSENT AGENDA-** Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting and Accept Monthly Invoices. MOTION MADE BY ALD. POSTL, SECONDED BY ALD. NEUMYER TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. Motion carried unanimously.
4. **MAYOR'S BUSINESS-** None.
5. **OFFICERS/STAFF REPORT-** None.
6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS/APPEARANCES-** None.
7. **FROM STANDING COUNCIL COMMITTEES-** None.
8. **FROM CITY BOARDS/COMMISSIONS**
  - A. **BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**
    1. **Consideration and Possible Action on Hiring Kraus Anderson to Perform a Facility Condition Assessment for the Public Library, City Hall, Pool Building and Recreation Office, Senior Center, Fire and Police Departments, Eghart House, and 1860 Light Station.** - The City Administrator reviewed the proposal for the facility assessment. MOTION MADE BY ALD. PLEITNER, SECONDED BY ALD. BENNING TO APPROVE HIRING KRAUS ANDERSON TO PERFORM A FACILITY CONDITION ASSESSMENT FOR THE PUBLIC LIBRARY, CITY HALL, POOL BUILDING AND RECREATION OFFICE, SENIOR CENTER, FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS, EGHART HOUSE AND 1860 LIGHT STATION AS PRESENTED. Motion carried unanimously.
9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS-** None.
10. **NEW BUSINESS-** None.
11. **PUBLIC COMMENTS/APPEARANCES-** None.
12. **MOTION TO CONVENE** in closed session per Wis. Stats. § 19.85(1)(e), for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, to-wit: discuss and formulate negotiating strategies for, and consider retaining financial advisors and attorneys to provide advice regarding, a potential economic development project involving the City of Port Washington.- The Mayor read the closed session item. MOTION MADE BY ALD. POSTL, SECONDED BY ALD. NEUMYER TO CONVENE IN CLOSE SESSION AT 5:06 P.M. ROLL CALL VOTE TAKEN. AYE: POSTL, NEUMYER, GASPER, BENNING, PLEITNER, TEARNEY, SIGWART. Motion carried unanimously.
13. **MOTION TO CONVENE** in closed session per Wis. Stats. § 19.85(1)(e), for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, to-wit: discuss and formulate negotiating strategies, including the terms and conditions for sale and development of the approximately 39-acre parcel of City-owned vacant land, commonly known as the former Schanen Farm, located along the south side of STH 33 approximately one-quarter mile west of CTH LL (Tax Parcel No. 16-030-15-002.00).- The Mayor read the closed session item. MOTION MADE BY ALD. POSTL, SECONDED BY ALD. NEUMYER TO CONVENE IN CLOSE SESSION AT 5:07 P.M. ROLL CALL VOTE TAKEN. AYE: POSTL, NEUMYER, GASPER, BENNING, PLEITNER, TEARNEY, SIGWART. Motion carried unanimously.

- 14. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION** to take action relating to the closed session items, if any. MOTION MADE BY ALD. POSTL, SECONDED BY ALD. NEUMYER AT 6:27 P.M. TO RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION. ROLL CALL VOTE TAKEN: AYE: POSTL, NEUMYER, GASPER, BENNING, PLEITNER, TEARNEY, SIGWART. Motion carried unanimously.
- MOTION MADE BY ALD. BENNING, SECONDED BY ALD. PLEITNER THAT THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR BE AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO HIRE THE FIRM OF EHLERS AND ASSOCIATES, INC. AS FINANCIAL ADVISOR, AND THE LAW FIRMS OF VON BRIESEN & ROPER, S.C. AND QUARLES AND BRADY LLP AS SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL, TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND ADVICE TO THE CITY REGARDING A POTENTIAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT INVOLVING THE CITY, UPON WHICH TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THOSE FIRMS' RESPECTIVE ENGAGEMENT LETTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION TODAY. Motion carried unanimously.
- 15. ADJOURNMENT-** MOTION MADE BY ALD. POSTL, SECONDED BY ALD. NEUMYER TO ADJOURN AT 6:30 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan L. Westerbeke, City Clerk