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**Common Council**  
**Tuesday, May 13, 2025**  
**7:00 PM at City Hall**  
**MINUTES**

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Members Present: Bob Chapman, Richard Evans, Jane Fude, Troy Justmann, Doug Lee, James Ronge, and Mayor Wegener

Members Absent:

Also, Present: Meagan Buchda, Andrew Griggs, Robert Affeld, Dave Gratton, Stuart Glander

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and roll call was taken.

***J. Fude* motioned and *B. Chapman* seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.**

***T. Justmann* motioned and *J. Ronge* seconded to approve the minutes of previous meetings. Motion carried.**

***J. Ronge* motioned and *B. Chapman* seconded to approve the minutes of intervening meetings. Motion carried.**

**Public Hearing- This portion of the meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm.**

Jason Laue from MSA was here to discuss and answer community questions about the preliminary assessment report for the property owners on E. Oak Street. T. Thorp, C. Firari, and T. Fletcher voiced their comments/concerns they had with the project. **This portion of the meeting ended at 6:26 pm.**

**Communications:** Mayor Wegener presented Dave Gratton with a plaque to show the City's appreciation for all his hard work over the last 30 years.

***J. Fude/B. Chapman* motioned to approve \$739,906.94 in checks and \$202,239.14 in electronic payments. Motion carried 6-0.**

**Reports of Officials:**

**A. Mayor:**

- a. Fude motioned and Ronge seconded to approve Resolution 15-2025 (Resolution Authorizing Public Improvement and Levying Special Assessments Against Benefitted Property in the City of Juneau, WI). Motion carried 6-0.**
- b. Evans motioned and Chapman seconded to approve Resolution 16-2025 (A Resolution Awarding the Construction Contract for the 2025 East Oak Street Reconstruction Project (Main St to Fair St)). Motion carried 6-0.**
- c. The mayor read the Poppy Proclamation.**

**B. Clerk/Treasurer:** Nothing to report.

**C. Written Reports:**

- 1. [Building Permits Report.](#) No questions.**
- 2. [Police Department Report:](#) No questions.**

3. [Juneau Fire and Rescue Report: No questions.](#)

4. [Juneau EMS Report: No questions.](#)

#### **Reports of Committees/Commission/Boards:**

##### **A. Library Report**

1. Chairman Report – C. Schuett reported that the library is gearing up to kick off the summer reading program. We are submitting our reimbursement request to Dodge and two other counties. We are partnering with the Greater Watertown Community Health Foundation and their new initiative called Prescription for reading.

##### **B. Plan Commission**

1. Chairman Report – No Meeting.

##### **C. Finance Committee –**

1. Chairman Report- Evans reported that there was one agenda item. The Miller Street project was only supposed to be a mill and overlay project, however, once the construction started, they discovered an underlining layer of concrete that was never removed. Once the concrete slabs were removed it was found that there was no gravel base underneath. We will need to put down a new gravel base to be able to pour new concrete.
2. **Evans motioned and Justmann seconded to approve Resolution 17-2025 (Approve Community Center Contract). Motion carried 5-1-0. Ronge abstained.**
3. **Evans motioned and Chapman seconded to approve Resolution 18-2025 (Approve Cost Increase to the Miller Street Project). Motion carried 6-0.**

##### **D. Personnel Committee**

1. Chairman Report – R. Evans reported that the committee approved Summer Hours for City Hall, Monday-Thursday 7:00 am to 4:00 pm and Friday 7:00 am to 11:00 am. We also approved changing Personnel Policy Section 201 hours of work by changing the summer hours to run from April 15 to October 1. We talked about changing ordinance for meeting times. The change that we are proposing is taking out a set time and setting it at the annual organizational meeting. Ed Weiss brought a new fire department application for review and approval; no action was taken on that.
2. **Evans motioned and Fude seconded to approve Resolution 19-2025 (Approve Amendment to Personnel Policy 201-Hours of Work). Motion carried 6-0.**
3. **First Reading of Ordinance 273-2025 to amend City of Juneau Ordinance 2.08.010 Meeting Time and Date).**

##### **E. Public Safety**

1. Chairman Report – J. Fude reported that Chief Beal indicated that he was doing a background check for the open officer position, this individual will attend the police academy. We reviewed the Simple Bar and Grill's request for the extension of premise for May 17, from 10 am to 2 pm, contingent on the completion of the front sidewalk.
2. **Fude motioned and Justmann seconded to approve Resolution 20-2025 (Approve Extension of Premise for Simple Bar & Grill). Motion carried 6-0.**

##### **F. Public Works**

Chairman Report – J. Ronge reported they met and had a long meeting. They discussed the weight ordinance on E. Center Street. We discussed the fluoride in the drinking water, we will revisit this at the next meeting. Part of the problem is that we will need to have our well houses redone. We discussed the renaming of Industrial Avenue, we motioned to change the name to E. Cross Street. We approved summer hours for the DPW. Approved 2025 budgeted road maintenance projects. Joe is working with Meagan regarding the cemetery. We will be getting some pictures, and some copies made of the plot maps.

Second Reading Repeal Ordinance 10.04.090-Weight Limits for Certain Streets.

Evans motioned and Chapman seconded to dispense the second reading and go ahead with the vote.

Fude motioned and Justmann seconded to approve Repealing Ordinance 10.04.090. Motion carried 5-1. Yea-Fude, Justmann, Chapman, Evans, Lee, Nay-Ronge.

**G. Cable TV**

1. Chairman Report – J. Fude reported that the committee did meet and went over the future of Cable TV and discussed who is using the public access channel right now. We talked about repurposing the equipment, funding challenges, and at the next meeting we will get quotes and look at alternatives for the public access channel.

**H. Community Development Authority**

1. Chairman Report – No meeting.

**I. Recreation Committee**

1. Chairman Report – J. Fude reported that Hunter is doing an excellent job and is willing to work with other departments and will be having his first meeting next week.

**J. Utility Commission Report by Common Council Representative**

1. Chairman Report – *R. Evans* reported that the commission reviewed the application from the graduating students and selected two that will be receiving a thousand-dollar scholarship. Commission approved that the depreciation funds are unrestricted. Approved Nick to continue to work with ATC and Forester to develop plans for our industrial substation yard. New light poles are up on E Oak Street. Commission approved change order #7 for WWTP. Commission accepted resignation from WWTP employee Elizabeth Condon.

**Old Business:**

**New Business:**

- A. Approve Provisional Licenses (45 days):  
Recommended Denial: None
- B. Approve Regular Bartender's License for 2024 (Expires June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025)  
Recommended Approval: Vanessa Bischoff  
Recommended Denial: None

**Motion by J. Fude and seconded by B. Chapman to approve regular operator's license. Motion carried.**

**Adjourn Meeting: J. Fude motioned, and B. Chapman seconded to adjourn meeting at 7:56 p.m. Motion carried.**

Minutes Reported By:

Meagan Buchda