

Regular Meeting Minutes of the Fountain City Common Council
Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 6:30 PM

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Mayor Gwen Katula. Roll call: Christine Williamson, David Endres, Cheryl Braatz, Barb Schmidtknecht, and Ryan Ligman – all present.

Motion Cheryl, second Chris to approve the minutes from the Open & Closed Common Council meeting held on Tuesday, January 9, 2024. Motion carried.

Motion Barb, second Ryan to correct the approved alderperson council meeting rate; previously approved was a current rate of \$65 to increase to \$75, however the correct current rate is \$60 with an increase to \$70. Motion carried.

Motion Cheryl, second Chris to deny the request to waive the late fees for the Fire Association sewer bill. Motion carried.

Motion Ryan, second David to approve the Combination Class B Liquor License for the The Landing at Fountain City, LLC, DBA The Landing. Motion carried.

Motion Chris, second Ryan to discontinue boat launching at the upper boat landing (behind the WingDam), but continue the boat docking service. Motion carried.

Motion Barb, second Cheryl to make the effective date for the discontinuation of boat launching at the upper boat landing on April 1, 2024. Motion carried.

Motion Ryan, second Barb to approve Operator Licenses for Alexandria Ryan, Loran Wirtala and Jeffery Mastin. Motion carried.

Motion Cheryl, second David to deny waiving late fees on the water/sewer bill for 21 S Main St. Motion carried.

Motion Ryan, second Cheryl to adopt the revised City of Fountain City Compliance Assurance Plan 2024 for the Recycling Program. Motion carried.

Motion Barb, second Ryan to approve the updated Employee Handbook as presented. Motion carried.

Motion Cheryl, second Chris to donate the Smith & Wesson M&P 15 Rifle to Buffalo County Law Enforcement Department. Motion carried.

Motion Barb, second Ryan to accept the bid from Wigham Trucking for street sweeping 2024 for \$2275. Motion carried.

Motion Barb, second Ryan to refer spring road bans to the Public Works Committee. Motion carried.

Motion Chris, second Ryan to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried.

Motion Ryan, second David to convene in closed session at 9:12 PM under section 19.85(1)(c) of the WI Statutes for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation, data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Roll call vote: Chris-yes, Barb-yes, Cheryl-yes, David-yes, Ryan-yes. Council entered into closed session.

The council reconvened in open session at 10:18 PM.

Motion Ryan, second Cheryl to counteroffer to Michael Schabacker \$25.00 per hour, 3 weeks of vacation and an hourly increase upon certifications. Motion carried.

Motion Ryan, second David to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 PM. Motion carried.

/s/ Mayor Gwen Katula

/s/ Clerk/Treasurer Marcia Larson