

**Regular Meeting Minutes of the Fountain City Common Council**  
**Thursday, November 16, 2023 at 6:30 PM**

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

Motion Cheryl, second Ryan to approve the minutes from the Common Council meeting held on Tuesday, October 10, 2023. Motion carried.

Motion Barb, second Ryan to approve the minutes from the Bishop Street Hearing on September 12, 2023. Motion carried.

Motion Cheryl, second Barb to approve Resolution #2023-10 authorizing the City of Fountain City to contract with the Buffalo County Sheriff's Department to provide law enforcement services in the city. Motion carried.

Motion Ryan, second Chris to move into the contracted agreement with the Buffalo County Sheriff's Office as amended. Motion carried.

Motion Barb, second Chris to accept the quote from Decker Supply Co for the Qwick Kurb equipment needed for the quiet zone at the railroad crossing at Mill Street. Motion carried.

Motion Barb, second Ryan to adopt the 2024 general fund budget. Motion carried.

Motion Cheryl, second Chris to adopt the 2024 sewer and water budget. Motion carried.

Motion Ryan, second Barb to finance the new upper boat landing docks at a cost of \$181,500 with \$38,485 from the money market account, \$77,000 from the boat checking account, \$40,119 from the ARPA funds and the remaining \$25,896 with a 5-year loan from the Waumandee State Bank at an interest rate of 4.95%. Motion carried.

Motion Cheryl, second Ryan to donate \$1500 to the Scenic Valley Swimming Pool Association for discounted memberships for our residents in 2024. Motion carried.

Motion Cheryl, second Ryan, to approve the Operator's License for Victoria Cassen, Daniel Lyke Jr, Tiffany Schindeldecker, Jourdon Krupski and Hazel Klosterman. Motion carried.

Motion Barb, second David to approve the Exemplar Platinum W101 Health Insurance Plan effective December 1, 2023. Motion carried.

Motion Ryan, second Barb to approve payment of the bills as presented except for the payment to Buffalo County Highway Department for the repairs to Elmer's Road. Motion carried.

Motion Ryan, second Barb to convene in closed session 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: Christine Williamson-yes, Barb Schmidtknecht-yes, David Endres-yes, Ryan Ligman-yes, Cheryl Braatz-yes.

Motion Cheryl, second David to grant 15 days of vacation for the Clerk/Treasurer, Marcia Larson effective January 1 2024. Motion carried.

Motion Ryan, second Chris to increase all full-time employee wages by \$1300 effective January 1, 2024. Motion carried.

Motion Ryan, second Barb to adjourn the meeting at 10 PM. Motion carried.

/s/ Mayor Gwen Katula

/s/ Clerk/Treasurer Marcia Drysdale