

MINUTES  
CITY OF BERLIN  
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021 7:00 PM  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BERLIN CITY HALL, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR

Mayor Schramer called the March 9, 2021 Common Council meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Roll call present: Ald. Boeck, Lehr, Nigbor, Erdmann, Bruessel and Harke. Staff present: Lindsey Kemnitz, Jeffery Engel, Atty Chier, Michael Bennett, Connor Reinhart, Noah Knetzger, Scott Strahan, Jodie Olson and Susan Thom.

There were no virtual attendees.

There were no public comments.

The following items were listed on the Consent agenda for approval and adoption: 1) Waive the reading of all ordinances and resolutions adopted at this meeting; 2) Receive and place on file the written reports from the City Clerk, Treasurer, and Building Inspector; 3) Approve the minutes from the February 9, 2021 Common Council meeting; 4) Accept the Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve resolution #21-02 to authorize the submission of an application for a Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation community development investment grant; 5) Accept the Committee of the Whole recommendation to schedule a public hearing on April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. for the Citizen Participation Plan for the CDBG-ED application for 227 Ripon Road; 6) Accept the Plan Commission recommendation to approve and adopt Ordinance #03-21 Correcting an Error in Previously Adopted Ordinance #07-19; 7) Approve the list of bills for payment. Erdmann made a motion to approve the Consent agenda as presented. Lehr seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in six (6) ayes, zero (0) nays and zero (0) absent. Motion carried.

Justin Lindahl, Fire and Police Commissioner introduced the Newly Appointed Chief of Police Jeffery Engel. The Common Council welcomed Engel aboard. Lindahl reviewed that they are in the process of hiring the last police officer which would make them 100% staffed.

Next was Resolution Authorizing to Submit a Community Development Block Planning Grant Application for the City of Berlin. Lehr made a motion to approve resolution #21-03 to authorize to submit Community Development Block Planning Grant Application. Harke seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in six (6) ayes, zero (0) nays and zero (0) absent. Motion carried.

Next was Resolution Authorizing to Commit Matching Funds for the Community Development Block Planning Grant Application for the City of Berlin. Erdmann made a motion to approve resolution #21-04 to commit matching funds for the Community Development Block Planning Grant. Boeck seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in six (6) ayes, zero (0) nays and zero (0) absent. Motion carried.

Next was Liquor License Application for Hoot N' Hollar LLC. Boeck made a motion to approve the "Class B" Liquor and Class "B" Beer licenses and Outdoor Activity permit for Hoot N' Hollar LLC, dba Hoot Nanny's for license year 2020-2021 for location at 122 E Huron Street (formally The Wolff's Den) contingent upon Hoot Nanny's passing the required health, fire, police and building inspections. Harke seconded the motion which carried by voice vote.

Lehr made a motion to accept the Mayoral appointment of Edmund Marks to the Board of Review for term ending July 1, 2025. Lehr thanked Edmund Marks for all the service to the City of Berlin over the years. Erdmann seconded the motion, which carried by voice vote.

There was no old business.

Under new business, Ald. Boeck asked to review the Temporary Street Privilege Permit per Temporary Ordinance 06-20. Mayor Schramer directed that it be put on the next agenda.

At 7:16 pm, Erdmann made a motion to convene into closed session pursuant to Sec 19.85 (1) (e), of the WI Statutes, to deliberate or negotiate the purchase of public property, investment of public funds or conduct other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. *(1) Discussion on potential developers agreement for 227 Ripon Road.* Bruessel seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in six (6) ayes, zero (0) nays and zero (0) absent. Motion carried. Erdmann made a motion to seat Olson and Kemnitz. Boeck seconded the motion, which carried by voice vote.

Discussion continued in closed session.

At 7:25 pm, Erdmann made a motion to reconvene into open session. Bruessel seconded the motion, which carried by voice vote.

No action was taken as a result of closed session discussion.

Bruessel moved to adjourn at 7:27 pm. Lehr seconded the motion, which carried by voice vote.

Susan Thom, Deputy Clerk