

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
CITY OF BERLIN
TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2021 7:00 PM
COMMON COUNCIL CHAMBER

Mayor Bruessel called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present: Ald. Lehr, Boeck, Nigbor, Erdmann, Marks and Burgess. Staff present: Atty Matt Chier, Lindsey Kemnitz and Susan Thom.

There were no general public comments.

Erdmann moved to approve the minutes from the June 1, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting. Burgess seconded the motion, which carried by voice vote.

Next was Amendment to Street Privilege Permit Ordinance. Atty Chier reviewed the changes that were made to the ordinance. The new term would be July 1 thru June 30 to correspond with the liquor license and all street privilege permits issued after April 1, 2021 but prior to the effective date of the ordinance would be automatically extended through June 30, 2022. Erdmann ask that the wording for "Temporary construction applicants, if necessary, may construct a temporary sidewalk of such width, but such temporary sidewalk must be guarded by a closed fence at least four feet high on both sides, which may be maintained during the period of obstruction" to read "must be maintained during the period of obstruction". Erdmann made a motion to recommend to Common Council to approve and adopt the changes to Ordinance Amending the Code Relating to Street Privilege Permits Primarily for the purpose of extending the Term of Such Permits as corrected. Nigbor seconded the motion, which carried by voice vote.

Next was Raze or Repair Action for 218 S Grove St. Kemnitz reviewed that since the January Council meeting a new garage has since been built and the roof replaced on the existing structure. The property owner is working on demolition of the interior and the next steps are to pour the concrete garage floor and wrap up the exterior upgrades. Kemnitz recommended to extend the raze or repair for an additional 6 months and provide Council an update at that time. Lehr made a motion to extend the raze or repair order for 218 S Grove Street for an additional 6 months and then review it. Burgess seconded the motion which carried by voice vote.

Next was Raze or Repair Action for 107 W Huron St. Kemnitz stated she has an appointment with the potential buyer and building inspector for 12:30 tomorrow to go through the property. Kemnitz requested to be able to bring the new information to next week meeting. No action was taken.

Next was the American Rescue Plan Act Funding. Kemnitz reviewed that the City of Berlin has received the first half of the funding in the amount of \$281,820.08 and the second half will be paid in 2022. The funds must be spent by December 31, 2024. The staff will be taking time to figure out the best way to use these funds and will continue to bring the issue forth to the Council for future action.

There was no closed session.

At 7:23 p.m. Burgess moved to adjourn. Marks seconded the motion, which carried by voice vote.

Susan Thom, Deputy Clerk