

CITY OF BERLIN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2024 7:00PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

Mayor Bruessel called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present: Ald Stobbe, Boeck, Nigbor, Burgess, Durtschi and Dretske. No Absences. Staff present: Sara Rutkowski, Scott Zabel and Midge Seaman.

No Public Comments or Attendees.

Dretske made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 5, 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting. Nigbor seconded the motion which passed on a voice vote.

#5. Presentation on TID #16. Rutkowski presented all details of this TID complete with a timeline. This was information only. She included the timeline and all details in the agenda packet. Boeck questioned whether having two oak streets would cause a problem for emergency vehicles or any other problems. Renaming a portion of the street will be a consideration before we proceed. Rutkowski asked for guidance on two areas. One was the road construction project for the purpose of the developer to be able to build two of the housing units up this year. The opinion of the Committee was to go forward. The second consideration was how to fund the road project. The two options Rutkowski gave were to a. borrow or b. to cash in one of our investments. The Committee chose option b.

#6. 2024 DPW Equipment Purchase Bids. Zabel thanked the COTW on behalf of the DPW department, for considering the needs of his department while building the 2024 budget. Zabel proceeded to speak on all the bids gathered and included his choice for each piece of equipment with one pending to give time for the department employees to test two types of equipment. He stated the bids came in very close or better than what was budgeted. Durtschi made a motion to accept the bids as presented and recommend to Common Council to approve the purchase of equipment. Nigbor seconded the motion which passed on a voice vote.

#7. Rutkowski presented on the need to close TID#10. She stated the TID came to the end of its life and reported there was no surplus but a negative balance remains. Dretske made a motion to Recommend to Common Council to Approve Resolution 24-02 to terminate TID #10. The motion was seconded by Stobbe and passed on a voice vote.

Dretske moved to approve to convene into closed session for the purpose of the city administrator evaluation. Stobbe seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in six (6) ayes and zero(0) nays.

Discussion continued in Closed Session.

Dretske made a motion to reconvene in open session, with a second by Boeck. Motion carried via voice vote.

Boeck made a motion to adjourn at 9:20 pm with a second by Dretske. Motion carried via voice vote.

Midge Seaman, Deputy Clerk