

**CITY OF MANAWA  
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 18, 2024 6:00 pm**

Proceedings of the Manawa Common Council meeting held Monday, November 21, 2024. Called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Frazier pursuant to open meeting regulations, Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Alderspersons present on roll call: Alice Brown, Jim Roenz, Mark Lehrer, Ann Bonikowske, Mary Eck, Aaron Timm, Mayor Mike Frazier. City Employees: Josh Smith, Jason Severson, Sue Vater Olsen, Logan Hass.

Audience: Dan Pomeroy, Ronda Mollica, Jason Bessette, Melissa Habeck, Dan Boerst, Emily Conroy, Amy Starr, Eugene Much, Mary Mengert, Ben Hlaban, Dave and Deb Sarna.

Moved Bonikowske/Eck to approve the agenda of November 21, 2024. Carried.

Moved Timm/Bonikowske to approve the council meeting minutes of October 21, 2024. Carried.

Moved Eck/Timm to approve of the Bills of Allowance \$379,409.49. Carried.

**Audience:** Dan Boerst - Snowmobile Trail: Dan said want to make sure snowmobile trail still gets to downtown. The preferred route is to go through Randy Yohr's property and through Kobussen property. Little Wolf River Coalition: Deb Sarna said they met with Town of Little Wolf about how would like the dam to be back. Concerned about how the communication has been so far in regards to the dam. Here to help and would like to be apart of dam meetings. Melissa Habeck said we as citizens deserve open communication. Would like update even if there is not one. Would like to be involved. Jason Bessette said would like to be involved with hydro contract talks. Have dealt with it in the past. Mary Mengert: Mary said there are weeds and junk at Northside and Primrose. Concerned with a lot of trees down at Northside.

**Finance:** 2025 wage schedule: Moved Eck/Roenz to approve the new wage schedule for 2025. Carried.

**Improvements:** Triangle Park: Moved Bonikowske/Brown to approve project at Triangle Park and allow City to be applicant for the Local Vibrant Grant. Carried. Baseball and softball fields: Moved Bonikowske/Eck to accept bid from Midwest to do the baseball and softball fields with sod in outfield in the amount of \$105,000. Carried.

**Mayor:** Mayor Frazier recognized Sue Vater Olsen for 1 year of service to the City.

**DPW:** Josh went over his report. Factory Street and Walnut Street construction is completed. WI surplus items have all been sold and picked up. Cedar is working on the next steps for the shoreline stabilization. Working on getting Christmas decorations up. Preparing all snow removal equipment for the winter season.

**Police:** Police Chief Jason Severson went over his report.

**Fire:** Chief Josh Smith went over his report. Will be participating in the Lighted Food Drive in Weyauwega this year. Ended the 2024 fiscal year with 111 responses which is 2<sup>nd</sup> highest amount ever.

**Library:** Board rep Alice said there are many programs at the library. Moved Brown/Bonikowske to accept Library Board member Karen Hoffmann's resignation effective November 22, 2024. Carried.

**Clerk:** Financial Report: General Fund balance – \$26,952.04; Government Pool – \$1,256,293.59; Licenses: Moved Eck/Roenz to approve operator's licenses for Denise Mande and Morgan Fletcher. Carried. Street Closings: Moved Bonikowske/Lehrer to accept request by Manawa Chamber to close 2nd Street from S. Bridge Street to Mill Street for Merry Manawa A Christmas Market on Thursday December 5, 2024 from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Carried. Moved Bonikowske/Lehrer to accept request by Miracle on Bridge Street to close S. Bridge Street from Union Street to E. 4th Street for parade on Saturday December 14 from 5:00 pm to 5:30 pm and fireworks. Carried.

**New Resolution:** Moved Eck/Timm to approve Resolution 2024-11 Support for a Vibrant Spaces Grant. Carried.

Moved Brown/Bonikowske to adjourn at 7:03 pm. Carried.

Logan Hass, City Clerk