

MINUTES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE GREENFIELD CITY HALL ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2024

A. Call to Order & Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Neitzke at 7:00 PM.

Present: Alderpersons Andrew Drzewiecki, Karl Kastner, Pamela Akers, Shirley Saryan, Bruce Bailey

Also present: Jennifer Goergen, City Clerk; Kent Perleberg, Parks/Facilities Supervisor

B. Opening Prayer

An opening prayer was given by Chaplain Leggett.

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Approval of the November 19, 2024 Common Council minutes

Motion by Alderperson Bailey, seconded by Alderperson Saryan to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

E. Mayor's Report

Mayor Neitzke spoke about the Christmas Tree Lighting at Konkell Park, the Breakfast With Santa event, that those events are on our website, and that the tax bills will be mailed by December 15th.

F. Aldermanic Reports

Alderperson Bailey gave the Tree Commission report.

G. Announcements

Mayor Neitzke stated that from December 16th through December 19th, Santa will be coming through neighborhoods, and he can be tracked on the city's website. The tree lighting event is this Saturday, December 7th, at Konkell Park from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM. The ice rink looks like it will have ice this year.

H. Citizen Commentary

I. Old Business

1. Appointments to various committees and commissions:

a. Mayor appointments, confirmed by Council:

- i. Two members to the Civil Service Commission for terms to expire 5/1/27 (formerly David Podeszwa and Paul Leu)
Place on next agenda.

J. New Business

1. Claim received from Joseph Zeugner. (Goergen)

Referred to the City Attorney.

2. Approve applications for 2024-2025 operator licenses (Goergen)

Motion by Alderperson Akers, seconded by Alderperson Bailey to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approve application for a Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License received from Harley Owners Group - Milwaukee Chapter to sell fermented malt beverages indoors at the Men's Holiday Shopping Day December 13th 2024 event on December 13, 2024, from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM at 6221 W. Layton Ave. Requesting Council approval to allow unaccompanied underage individuals on the licensed beer premises pursuant to Wis. Stat. 125.07(3)(a)12. (Goergen)

Motion by Alderperson Drzewiecki, seconded by Alderperson Saryan to approve agenda items J3 and J4. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Approve application for a Temporary Class "B" Beer and "Class B" Wine Retailer's License received from the Greenfield Education Foundation to sell fermented malt beverages and wine indoors at the GEF Trivia Night on February 7, 2025 from 5:00 PM to 10:00 PM at the Greenfield Community Center, 7215 W. Cold Spring Road. (Goergen)

Approved under agenda item J3.

5. Adopt An Ordinance Amending Subsections 1.35(1) and 10.32(8) of the City of Greenfield Municipal Code Regarding Sex Offender Residency Appeals (City Attorney)

Mayor Neitzke explained that there was a citizen board to hear the appeals, and the new ordinance replaces them with alderpersons. There were countless discussions between the mayor, the city attorney, and the police department. The ordinance, as it stands, remains in place; it has the restrictions. The first appeal, or the first application, is through the police department and the committee there. The legal requirement and goal is that there is a reasonable standard and that things aren't arbitrary. The second step is to go to the Common Council, which will be picked by lottery. The alderperson of the district where someone is trying to move into isn't on the board to ensure fairness, and the other four alderpersons would draw straws to see who sits on it in a rotating fashion. There needs to be a reasonable and fair policy in place. We would need to listen to the facts and need to be reasonable when hearing and voting on these.

There was a discussion that "alderman" should be changed to "alderperson."

Motion by Alderperson Drzewiecki, seconded by Alderperson Akers to approve as suggested. On a roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

6. Discussion/decision regarding agreement for roof replacement for Konkel Park North Shelter. (Jaquish) Kent Perleberg, Parks/Facilities Supervisor, presented the bids, the value of the lowest bidder, the difference in the bids, the lowest bid's contractor, their warranty, that they wanted the "good" option, that it's the same option that was chosen for the Brooks Pavilion at Kulwicki Park, that the current roof was put on in 1993, the shingle quality regarding wind rating and mildew resistance, the timeline, and that it would not affect ice skating.

Motion by Alderperson Akers, seconded by Alderperson Drzewiecki to approve the recommendation of Tri-County Contracting bid in the amount of \$23,887.79. On a roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

7. Discussion and decision to go into closed session, pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes, Section 19.85(1)(e) to consider deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session pertaining to the International Association of Firefighters.

Motion by Alderperson Akers, seconded by Alderperson Bailey to go into closed session at 7:19 PM. On a roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

8. Adjourn closed session and reconvene into open session

Motion by Alderperson Bailey, seconded by Alderperson Drzewiecki to adjourn closed session and reconvene into open session at 8:00 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Decision regarding closed session item pertaining to International Association of Firefighters

Motion by Alderperson Akers, seconded by Alderperson Drzewiecki to proceed as directed. Motion carried unanimously.

K. Items for future agenda

Non-Rep Resolution, Contracts, Police Department Resolution

Minutes are not official until formally approved by the Common Council at the next scheduled meeting.

L. Adjourn

Motion by Alderperson Akers, seconded by Alderperson Bailey to adjourn at 8:02 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Jennifer Goergen, City Clerk

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ORDINANCE NO: 3066

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUBSECTIONS 1.35(1) AND 10.32(8) OF THE CITY OF GREENFIELD
MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING SEX OFFENDER RESIDENCY APPEALS

The Common Council of the City of Greenfield do ordain as follows:

PART I. Subsection 1.35(1) of the Municipal Code hereby is amended to read as follows:

1.35 – Sex offender residency appeal board.

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“(1) *Creation.* The city shall have a board known as the "Sex Offender Residency Appeal Board." The board shall be an ad hoc body consisting of three Alderpersons to hear and decide a specific appeal under 10.32(8). The specific three Alderpersons to hear an appeal shall be determined by a rotating slate, initially set by random draw. However, the Alderperson representing the aldermanic district within which the proposed residence would be established shall not be a member of the board hearing such appeal, but rather such Alderperson shall instead be assigned to hear the next appeal that is not in the Alderperson’s district. The Mayor shall designate one member of the board to act as the chair for the hearing.”

PART II. Subsection 10.32(8)(intro) of the Municipal Code hereby is amended to read as follows:

“(8) *Appeal.* An offender may request an exemption from this section. The application fee for an exemption request shall be \$100, but the fee shall be waived by the Common Council upon a showing by the would-be applicant that the fee poses a financial hardship due to income, employment status, or other relevant considerations.”

PART III. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Greenfield on the 3rd day of December, 2024.

APPROVED:

Michael J. Neitzke, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jennifer Goergen, City Clerk