

MEETING MINUTES
ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, June 25, 2024 – 6:00 PM
Ashland City Hall Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Tuesday, June 25, 2024 Ashland City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Matt MacKenzie at 6:05 p.m.

A. **Roll Call, Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance**

Roll call was taken, a Moment of Silence was held, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PRESENT: Kevin Seefeldt, Sarah Jackson, Ana Tochtermann (6:24), Andrew Goyke, James Gregoire, Charlie Ortman, Nancy Sztynдор

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Matthew MacKenzie, City Administrator Brant Kucera, City Clerk Denise Oliphant, City Attorney Tyler Wickman, Public Works Director John Butler, Planning Director Steven Wiley, Police Chief Willis Hagstrom, Utility Supervisor Brian Ledin, and other interested citizens.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion by Seefeldt and seconded by Sztynдор to approve the agenda as presented, carried 6-0 by voice vote.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. **June 11, 2024 City Council and Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes**

A motion by Ortman and seconded by Seefeldt to approve the minutes, carried 6-0 by voice vote.

4. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PERIOD

The Clerk read the Rules for Citizen Participation, and the following offered their comments to the Council:

Ken Colluden, resident, talked about the lack of consideration by some who use the Artesian well, and the vehicles making excessive noise in the downtown.

Zygmund Jablonski Jr, 916 6th Avenue West, spoke to the cost of the water intake contract on the

agenda.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT

A. **Announcements**

The Mayor asked residents to help watch out for vandalism and theft occurring in the area. He noted that there are a few areas of City property that are purposely not being mowed, in the case Councilors receive comments from residents. He wished all a happy and safe 4th of July in the near future. Amid the extremely wet weather, he announced that there had not been an overflow for some time. The Joint Review Board met earlier in the week and the report was available for anyone interested.

B. **Appointments**

A motion by Kevin Seefeldt and seconded by Andrew Goyke to approve the Mayor's appointments was passed 6-0 by voice vote. Laura Martinsen will serve on the Parks and Recreation Committee through April 30, 2027, and Jeff Lewis will serve on the Harbor Commission through July 31, 2025, filling a vacated seat.

6. OLD BUSINESS

A. **Approve to Accept a Bid and Award a Contract for the Lake Superior Water Intake Project to Roen Salvage Company** (*Public Works*) Roll

A motion by Goyke and seconded by Ortman to accept the bid of \$10,330,900 and award a contract to Roen Salvage Company was passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

B. **Approve a Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of Up to \$847,920 Water System Revenue Bonds, Series 2024, and Providing for Other Details and Covenants with Respect Thereto, and Approval of Related \$847,920 Financial Assistance Agreement** (*Public Works, Finance*) Roll

A motion by Ortman and seconded by Seefeldt to approve the resolution was passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

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C. **Approve a Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of Up to \$1,097,053 Sewerage System Revenue Bonds, Series 2024, and Providing for Other Details and Covenants With Respect Thereto, and Approval of Related \$2,246,582 Financial Assistance Agreement** (*Public Works, Finance*) Roll

A motion by Ortman and seconded by Goyke to approve the resolution was passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

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D. **Approve a Resolution Declaring Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures from Proceeds of Borrowing through the State of Wisconsin Environmental Improvement Fund for Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) SFY2025 Lead Service Lateral Funding** (*Public Works*) Roll

A motion by Ortman and seconded by Seefeldt to approve the resolution was passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

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- E. **Approve Change Order No. 1 to Ritola, Inc for the 2024 Ore Dock Access Road Project** (*Public Works*) Roll

During discussion at 6:24 p.m., Mac Kenzie asked that ther record reflect that Tochtermann had arrived. A motion by Charlie Ortman and seconded by Kevin Seefeldt to approve was passed 6-0 by roll call vote Tochtermann abstained.

- F. **Consideration of Revision #1 State/Municipal Agreement (SMA) Dated June 18, 2024 for the Prentice Avenue Phase 1 Project** (*Public Works*) Roll

A motion by Ortman and seconded by Seefeldt to approve was passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- G. **Consideration of Revision #1 of the State/Municipal Agreement (SMA) Dated June 18, 2024 for the Cary Street Mill and Overlay Project** (*Public Works*) Roll

A motion by Goyke and seconded by Seefeldt to approve was passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- H. **Consideration of Revision #1 of the State Municipal Agreement (SMA) Dated June 18, 2024 for the Industrial Park Road Mill and Overlay Project** (*Public Works*) Roll

A motion by Seefeldt and seconded by Sztynдор to approve was passed unanimously by roll call vote.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Consideration of a Resolution to Acknowledge Review of the 2023 Compliance Maintenance Annual Report (CMAR) of the Ashland Wastewater Utility Pursuant to the Requirements of NR 208, Wisconsin Administrative Code as Required Annually** (*Public Works*) Roll

A motion by Jackson and seconded by Tochtermann to approve the resolution was passed unanimously by roll call vote.

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8. ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Ortman and seconded by Goyke to adjourn was passed unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Oliphant,
City Clerk