

September 14, 2026 FINANCE/TAX & LICENSE/ZONING COMMITTEE 10:30 a.m.

Chairperson Gary Jepsen called the meeting to order at City Hall 314 N Main St, with the following members present: Larry Grisen and Perry Iberg.

Also present: Mayor Richard Champeny, Clerk-Treasurer Sharaya Reed and Foreman Joe Wick.

Others present: Adam Loewenhagen and Cory Tiera.

Agenda Item 2: Building Permit Violations.

Woodlands Retreat Hotel Cabins is in violation of a setback requirement. Adam Loewenhagen and Cory Tiera were notified to move concrete barriers back 6' off the property line. They were given until the next zoning meeting on October 12th. They were told to look at the property details that the County has on file.

Agenda Item 1: Building Permit Applications

Brenda Gehl submitted an application to build a shed on her property.

Motion by Grisen seconded by Iberg to deny the application due to lack of showing setbacks. Table until next month's meeting. All members voting yes.

Alma American Legions Post #224 submitted an application to put in another flagpole.

Motion by Grisen seconded by Iberg to deny the application due to lack of showing setbacks. Table until next month's meeting. All members voting yes.

Agenda Item 6: Fire/Ambulance Entry Doors (3) Replacement

The committee reviewed two quotes to replace the three doors.

Motion by Jepsen seconded by Iberg to table for discussion during budget. All members voting yes.

Agenda Item 8: City Crew Employee Needs

Looking for a full-time, \$22.50-26.50, CDL, and Sewer/Water License qualified individual. Posting to be put in La Crosse, Winona, Eau Claire, and Madison State Journal.

Motion by Jepsen seconded by Grisen to refer the hiring listing to Council. All members voting yes.

Agenda Item 9: Employee Handbook Language

Paid Sick Leave was discussed. Current language and proposed were reviewed.

Motion by Grisen seconded by Iberg to approve new proposed language. All members voting yes.

Motion rescinded later in meeting by Grisen seconded by Iberg. All members voting yes. Employee Handbook Language proposals to be forwarded to Council for review.

Compensatory Time was discussed. Current language and proposed were reviewed.

Committee would like to see a cap of 80 hours for comp time to be accumulated.

Jepsen will work on adding proposed language to current Vacation Schedule in the handbook.

Overtime Pay was discussed. Current language and proposed were reviewed.

Agenda Item 4: Operator Licenses

None.

Agenda Item 5: Library Matters.

Market & Johnson Pay Request #12

Motion by Iberg seconded by Grisen to approve and forward to Council \$440,754.03 invoice for library grant. All members voting yes.

Agenda Item 7: Vouchers/Bills for August were gone over.

Motion by Grisen seconded by Iberg to adjourn. All members voting yes.