

**CITY OF CORNELL
MINUTES OF COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 7, 2023**

7:00 p.m. Mayor Mark Larson called the regular council meeting to order at the City Council Chambers. The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence honoring all individuals that have or are protecting our freedom. Minutes taken by Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer DeJongh.

Council members present: Steve Turany, Terry Smith, Bill Kvapil, Sandra Schecklman, Debra Semanko and Floyd Hickethier.

No guests present.

Motion Hickethier, Seconded Smith to accept the agenda as printed. Carried 6 ayes.

Motion Hickethier, seconded Kvapil to approve the regular council meeting minutes of November 16, 2023. Carried 6 ayes.

Turany reported on Finance Committee Meeting held earlier.

Hickethier reported on Board of Zoning Appeals meeting of December 4th. Board approved a privacy fence for the Bakeman's on the north side of their property at 900 South Street.

DeJongh reported that GFL will start dropping off recycling carts for the residences to start collecting recycling after the 1st of the year. Waste Mgmt. will be picking up their recycling carts the first week in January. Residents are encouraged to leave their cart by the curb for pickup after it is dumped on Dec 28th.

Motion Turany, Seconded Smith to approve October 19, 2023 loan documents with Northwestern Bank's \$400,000 loan to complete upcoming street reconstruction projects. Mayor and Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer are authorized to sign necessary documents. Carried 6 ayes.

Motion Turany, Seconded Smith to authorize the purchase of snow removal equipment and trees as part of the CDBG-CV Riverwalk Trail project estimated to be around \$18,000 and \$1,000 respectively. Carried 6 ayes.

Reminder of the Spring Election and circulation of nomination papers can start on Dec. 1st for Mayor and 3 Council member positions.

Motion Turany, Seconded Smith to approve bills totaling \$120,423.98. Roll Call Vote Carried 6 ayes.

Forthcoming Events.

- Gov. Evers "Shop Small Wisconsin" initiative encourages Wisconsinites to shop local and support Main St and small businesses Nov. 25th – Dec 31st 2023.
- Sen. Jesse James listening session Monday Dec 11th at 4pm in the Council Chambers.

Motion Hicketier, Seconded Kvapil to adjourn. Carried 6 ayes.

Adjourned at 7:19 pm

Date Approved

Mark Larson, Mayor

David DeJongh, Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer