

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

6:30 p.m. Public Hearing on adoption of new Floodplain Ordinance was opened. Present: Steve Turany, Terry Smith, Bill Kvapil, Sandra Schecklman, Debra Semanko, Floyd Hickethier Glenn Rehberg, Ginna Young and Dave DeJongh. DeJongh reported that the Wis DNR was requiring these ordinance updates with a provided template which the City Attorney has reviewed. Council action is on the regular meeting agenda. No one had any comments. Public Hearing closed at 6:37 pm.

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.

Guests present: Chief Glenn Rehberg, Allie Turany, Grace Harycki, Carl Wescott & Ginna Young.

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

Motion Smith, seconded Semanko to approve the regular council meeting minutes of August 17, 2023. Carried 6 ayes.

Smith reported on Public Works Committee meeting of Aug. 22, 2023.

Kvapil reported on Public Health & Safety Committee Meeting of Sept. 6, 2023.

Turany reported on Finance Committee Meeting held earlier.

Representing the Cornell School Student Council and Spirit Club, Allie Turany, Grace Harycki and Carl Wescott were at meeting to get permission to hold homecoming activities on city property. On Sunday Oct 1st 11:45am – 1:15 pm they would like to have a color run on city streets. On Friday Oct. 6th from 2:45 -3:30 pm they would like to have a parade down Main Street. On Friday evening after the game, 10 pm – 12am they would like to have a bonfire at the Mill Yard Park. In addition, they wanted to get the word out that a military canon would be fired during the game after touchdowns Motion Turany, Seconded Smith to allow homecoming activities on city property as presented. Carried 6 ayes. It was suggested that they give Chief Rehberg and the Police Dept a schedule of events with color run and parade routes.

Motion Turany, Seconded Smith to approve Ordinance #23-4 approving a new Floodplain Ordinance. Carried 6 ayes.

Council received information that Xcel Energy is seeking input from stakeholders like the City of Cornell on developing transmission line route options to serve Western Wisconsin.

Motion Smith, Seconded Turany to approve a contract with the Chippewa County Humane Association for 2024 services for \$1681.30. Carried 6 ayes.

Motion Kvapil, Seconded Hickethier to approve bills totaling \$55,634.94. Roll Call Vote Carried 6 ayes.

Heavy truck traffic /parking on city streets was brought up. A meeting on a weekend when affected truck drivers would be home was discussed.

Council member Kvapil reported that the UTV/ATV Rally on Aug 26th on Main Street was very successful.

Council member Hickethier inquired if the City had or should adopt an ordinance on long term parking of trailers on city streets.

Forthcoming Events.

- Community Scarecrow Building - Sept 24th at 2pm at Mill Yard Park.
- GLU annual meeting in Marshfield - September 21, 2023
- First Choice Recycling – Continual option for appliance/electronics recycling.
- Small Community Forum – October 11th 7:30 am – 1:00 pm Gilman High School
- Spooky Stacker Stomp – Oct 7.
- Mill Yard Park Trunk or Treat – Oct 31st 4-5pm.

Motion Hickethier, Seconded Smith to adjourn. Carried 6 ayes.

Adjourned at 7:40 pm

Date Approved

Mark Larson, Mayor

David DeJongh, Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer