

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Tuesday, July 11, 2023

5:30 PM

Common Council Chambers

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Mayor Steve Hass with the following attending:

Paul Russell – District 1

Michael “Gus” Caylor – District 2

Vacant – District 3

LaDonna Fermanich – District 4

Dick Lupton – District 5

Mike Rick – District 6

Mark Weix – District 7

Steve Sabatke – District 8

Other’s present: Mayor Hass, City Clerk Anderson-Malm, Finance Director Unertl, City Attorney Hayden, Police Chief Bennett, Public Works/City Engineer Akey, Facilities Maintenance Manager Wszalek, Fire Chief Klug (remote), Library Directory Ollhoff, Gary Hartwig, Alan Wix, Hallie Savall, Nathan Meyer, Brian Reilly from Ehlers and Merrill Productions. Park & Recreation Director Wendorf was excused.

II. Roll Call was taken.

III. Public Comment: There was no public comment

IV. Minutes from previous meeting:

Aldersperson Russell made a motion to approve the minutes from June 13th.

Aldersperson Weix seconded and the motion carried.

V. General Agenda Items:

1. 2023 City of Merrill borrowing process – Brian Reilly from Ehlers

Additional information was provided at the meeting regarding TIF and 2023 borrowing. Brian Reilly gave an extensive overview of TID’s and TIF’s and borrowing. He answered questions from the Council.

2. Discussion and consideration on Election Machines for 2024

City Clerk Anderson-Malm gave a very brief presentation due to time constraints.

Finance Director Unertl stated there is \$28,380 in the election budget to cover the majority of this purchase. Mayor Hass made a motion to approve the Election machines for 2024. Aldersperson Caylor seconded and the motion carried.

3. Candidate Interviews for District 3

Mayor Hass asked the Council if they had any questions for Nathan Meyer. Due to time constraints, there were no questions. Alderperson Rick made a motion to approve Nathan Meyer for District 3 Alderperson to finish the current term. Alderperson Russell seconded and the motion carried.

VI. Adjournment

Alderperson Rick made a motion to adjourn. Alderperson Lupton seconded and the meeting adjourned at 6:58 PM.

Minutes prepared by: Lori Anderson-Malm – City Clerk