



CITY OF MERRILL
COMMON COUNCIL
AGENDA • TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2024

Regular Meeting	City Hall Council Chambers	7:00 PM
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To attend remotely call 727-219-1351 PIN 382 758 361 #

I. Call to Order

II. Invocation - Pastor Mike Southcomb - St Stephens UCC

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Roll Call

V. Common Council Meeting Expectations

The City of Merrill respects the role of our elected officials. Alderpersons and Department Heads are committed to working collaboratively to provide our citizens with the best decision-making for our city's future. This meeting is a formal event and professional conduct is the expectation of all in attendance.

VI. Public Comment

VII. Proclamation

1. 2024 Mayoral Proclamation: Provider Appreciation Day

VIII. Revenue and Expense Reports

1. March Revenue and Expense Reports
2. Revised February Revenue and Expense Reports

IX. Minutes from Previous Meeting

1. Consider placing the minutes from the March 12th meeting on file

X. Communications and Petitions

1. Insurance claim from State Auto on behalf of Lynn Kleinschmidt, regarding a slip and fall claim (December 15, 2022). The City's insurance carrier recommends this claim be disallowed. This is based on the fact that an investigation revealed the City was not liable for this incident.

XI. General Agenda Items for Consideration

1. Consider the 2024-2025 Merrill Police Union contract. Mayor Hass is bringing this directly to the Common Council.

XII. Committee of the Whole

1. Take any action regarding the remaining unallocated ARPA funds of \$9,999.76 from the earlier Committee of the Whole.
2. Take any action regarding the EV Charging Station placement and possible funding source from the earlier Committee of the Whole.

XIII. Board of Public Works

1. Discuss and consider the updated 2024 Street Opening permit and fees. The Board of Public Works recommends approval.
2. Consider the bid for the M2024-02 paving project (S Center Avenue and N Sales St) to American Asphalt of Wisconsin Division of Mathy for \$517,380.50. The Board of Public Works recommends approval.
3. Consider the paving budget of \$7,400 to pave the north side of the alley by Our Savior's Church. The Board of Public Works recommends approval.

XIV. Health & Safety

1. Consider a temporary Class "B" picnic license for the Merrill Historical Society, on April 27, 2024, at The Cosmo Hall, 805 E Main Street, in conjunction with the Merrill Historical Society Trivia Contest 2024. The Health & Safety Committee recommends approval.
2. Consider a temporary Class "B" picnic license for the Lincoln County Fair Association, on August 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11, 2024 at the Merrill Festival Grounds in conjunction with the Lincoln County Fair. The Health & Safety Committee recommends approval.
3. Consider a Class A liquor license for Makalu Real Estate LLC, 1201 Grand Avenue. The Health & Safety Committee recommends approval.
4. Consider a Class "A" liquor license for Merrill Petroleum LLC, 3350 E Main Street. The Health & Safety Committee recommends approval.
5. Consider a Class A liquor license for Express Lane (CAPL Retail LLC), 702 N Center Avenue. The Health & Safety Committee recommends approval.

XV. Personnel & Finance

1. Consider implementing a hiring freeze, except for Police and Fire line positions; have vacant positions evaluated by the Personnel & Finance Committee and forwarded to the Common Council with the Mayor having the ability to bring a position directly to the Common Council. The Personnel & Finance Committee recommends approval. It was suggested by the Administration to include Transit personnel in the final action.
2. Consider the elimination of the Community Development Program Director position upon the retirement of the current employee, effective May 1, 2024. The Personnel & Finance Committee recommends approval.

XVI. Tourism Commission

1. Tourism Report - 2023
2. Tourism Room Tax - SL304 for 2023

XVII. Place Committee Reports on File

1. Consider placing the following reports on file: Committee of the Whole, Enrichment Center, Health & Safety, Festival Grounds, Library Board, Marketing & Communications, Personnel & Finance, Redevelopment Authority, Transit Commission, Board of Public Works, and Parks and Recreation Commission.

XVIII. Ordinances

1. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 26, Article V, Section 26-136 Purchase or possession of tobacco products. The Health & Safety Committee recommends approval.

XIX. Mayor's Appointments

1. Jim Weix to the Central Wisconsin Economic Development Board replacing Adam Rekau

XX. Mayor's Communications

XXI. Adjournment

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