



**CITY OF MERRILL
COMMON COUNCIL**

AGENDA • TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2026

Special Meeting

City Hall Council Chambers

7:00 PM

To attend remotely call 470-655-0260 PIN 942 749 919 #

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

IV. Public Comment

V. General Agenda Items for Consideration

1. Consider a Street Use Permit for Golden Harvest Market, on June 6th, 2026 from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm to close Pearl Street from Main Street to Thielman Street for a Customer Appreciation Event. This is being brought directly to the Common Council due to the event date.
2. Consider a temporary Class "B" beer license for Merrill Youth Hardball Association dba Merrill Baseball Association for May 29th - May 31st from 8:00 am until 9:00 pm at Athletic Park, Ott's Park and Lion's Park, in conjunction with an MBA Youth Tournament event. This was considered at the earlier Health & Safety meeting.
3. Consider a temporary Class "B" Beer license for Merrill Youth Softball Association aka MYSA or Merrill Fastpitch, for June 17, 24, July 1, 8, 14, 24, 25, 31, August 1, 2, 7, 8, and 9, 2026 at the MARC from 10:00 am - 10:00 pm, in conjunction with Merrill Fastpitch Tournament/Legion Games and State Tournaments. This was considered at the earlier Health & Safety meeting.
4. Consider a temporary Class "B" beer license for MHS Baseball Boosters, Inc for June 3, 7, 9, 11, 14, 17, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30 and July 1, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 14, 19, 23, 2026 at Athletic Park from 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm, in conjunction with the Baseball at Athletic Park - Legion, Jr. Legion, Rangers, and Babe Ruth event. This was considered at the earlier Health & Safety meeting.
5. Consider an extension of premises for Ballyhoos on May 30th, 2026 from 10:00 am - 11:00 pm for a Block Party event. This is in addition to the Street Use Permit which was approved at the May 12th Common Council. This was considered at the earlier Health & Safety meeting.

VI. Resolutions

1. A Resolution for approval to open custodial account(s) with Pershing LLC, and engage Ehlers Investment Partners as investment advisors. This was considered at the earlier Personnel & Finance meeting.

VII. Adjournment

The Merrill City Hall is accessible to the physically disadvantaged. If special accommodations are needed, please contact the Merrill City Hall at (715) 536-5594.

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CITY OF MERRILL STREET USE PERMIT

Name of Applicant: Golden Harvest Market
Applicant Address: 2700 E Main St Applicant Phone #: 715-536-0500
Club or Organization (if applicable): _____

Name of Responsible Person: Stephen Schuett merrill@goldenharvestmarket.com
Responsible Person Address: [REDACTED]

Date of proposed street use: June 6th (Saturday)
Time of street use: From: 8:00 A To: 8:00 P

Describe portion of street to be used: All of Pearl St from Main Street
to Thielmann Street.

Approximate number of persons who will attend: Customer Appreciation Event ~ 800-1000
Proposed use (in detail): Used for vendors, 'sidewalk' art, other event activities. Throughout day

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Petition for Street Use Permit

We, the undersigned residents of the 2700 hundred block of Pearl Street/Avenue in the City of Merrill, hereby consent to the use of this street as requested above and hereby consent to the City of Merrill granting a Street Use Permit for use of the said portion of said street for said purpose and do hereby agree to abide by such conditions of use as the City of Merrill shall attach to the granting of the requested Street Use Permit. We further understand that the permit will not be granted for longer than twelve (12) hours on the date above specified. We agree to remove from the street all equipment, vehicles and other personal property placed or driven thereon during the event for which the permit is granted prior to the end of said period. We further agree to designate Stephen Schuett as the responsible person or persons who have applied for said Street Use Permit.

Jan Dehnel 2602 E Main St

Name _____ Address _____
Kathryn Peoples 100 Pearl St
Name _____ Address _____

Name Address

Name Address

Name Address

Name Address

Name Address

Name Address

Name Address

Name Address

FEE: \$20.00 Date paid: _____ Amount paid: _____

RECEIVED DATE: _____ RECEIVED BY: _____

License(s) Requested	Fees	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Temporary "Class B" Wine <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Temporary Class "B" Beer	License Fees
	Background Check	\$ -
	Total Fees	\$ 90.⁰⁰

Part A: Organization Information

1. Organization Name
Merrill Youth Handball Association DBA Merrill Baseball Association

2. Organization Permanent Address
PO Box 60

3. City
Merrill

4. State
WI

5. Zip Code
54452

6. Mailing Address (if different from permanent address)

7. FEIN
39-2023676

8. Date of Organization/Incorporation

9. State of Organization/Incorporation
WI

10. Phone
715 571 8016

11. Email
merrillbaseballassociation@gmail.com

12. Organization type (check one)

Bona Fide Club
 Church
 Fair Association/Agricultural Society
 Veteran's Organization
 Lodge/Society
 Chamber of Commerce or similar Civic or Trade Organization under ch. 181, Wis. Stats.

13. Is this organization required to hold a Wisconsin Seller's permit? Yes No

14. Wisconsin Seller's Permit Number (if applicable)

Part B: Individual Information

List the name, title, and phone number for all officers, directors, and agent of the organization. **Include an Individual Questionnaire (Form AB-100) for each person listed below.** Attach additional sheets if necessary.

Corporations must also include Alcohol Beverage Appointment of Agent (Form AB-101).

Last Name	First Name	Title	Phone
Schultz	Shawn	President	[REDACTED]
Schmidt	Cody	Vice President	[REDACTED]
Fuchs	Sarah	Treasurer	[REDACTED]
Harding	Kevin	Secretary	[REDACTED]

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Part C: Event Information		
1. Name of Event (if applicable) MBA Youth Tournament		
2. Dates of Operation 5/29 - 5/31		3. Hours of Operation 8am - 9pm
4. Premises Address Athletic Park - 500 S Lagen St, Ott's Park 501 N Foster St, Lion's Park ^{210 W 3rd} E 3rd St		
5. City Merrill	6. State WI	7. Zip Code 54452
8. County Lincoln	9. Governing Municipality <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City <input type="checkbox"/> Town <input type="checkbox"/> Village of Merrill	
11. Organizer of Event (if not the named applicant)		12. Email and/or Phone Number for Organizer of Event
13. Organizer Website merrillbaseball.com		14. Event Website
15. Premises Description - Describe the building or buildings and any outside areas where alcohol beverages and records are sold, stored, or consumed, and related records are kept. Describe all rooms within the building, including living quarters. Authorized alcohol beverage activities and storage of records may occur only on the premises described in this application. Attach a map or diagram and additional sheets if necessary.		

Part D: Attestation		
Who must sign this application? • one officer or director of the nonprofit organization		
<p>READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING: Under penalty of law, I have answered each of the above questions completely and truthfully. I agree that I am acting solely on behalf of the applicant organization and not on behalf of any other individual or entity seeking the license. Further, I agree that the rights and responsibilities conferred by the license(s), if granted, will not be assigned to another individual or entity. I agree to operate according to the law, including but not limited to, purchasing alcohol beverages from Wisconsin-permitted wholesalers. I understand that lack of access to any portion of a licensed premises during inspection will be deemed a refusal to allow inspection. Such refusal is a misdemeanor and grounds for revocation of this license. I understand that any license issued contrary to Wis. Stat. Chapter 125 shall be void under penalty of state law. I further understand that I may be prosecuted for submitting false statements and affidavits in connection with this application, and that any person who knowingly provides materially false information on this application may be required to forfeit not more than \$1,000 if convicted.</p>		
Last Name Schultz	First Name Shawn	M.I. A
Title President	Email [REDACTED]	Phone [REDACTED]
Signature Shawn Schultz		Date 5/14/26

Part E: For Clerk Use Only	
Date Application Was Filed With Clerk 5/15/2026	License Number ATHLETIC 10414-10415-10416 OTT'S 10417-10418-10419 Lions 10420-10421-10422
Date License Granted	Date License Issued
Signature of Clerk/Deputy Clerk	

Municipality

License(s) Requested	Fees	
<input type="checkbox"/> Temporary "Class B" Wine	License Fees	\$
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Temporary Class "B" Beer	Background Check	\$
	Total Fees	\$

Part A: Organization Information

1. Organization Name
Merrill Youth Softball Association (aka MYSA or Merrill Fastpitch)

2. Organization Permanent Address

3. City
Merrill

4. State
WI

5. Zip Code
54452

6. Mailing Address (if different from permanent address)
2715 Glen Dr. Merrill WI 54452

7. FEIN
26-2399781

8. Date of Organization/Incorporation
10/26/2014

9. State of Organization/Incorporation
WI

10. Ph [Redacted]

11. Email
chadders@netzero.com

12. Organization type (check one)
 Bona Fide Club
 Church
 Fair Association/Agricultural Society
 Veteran's Organization
 Lodge/Society
 Chamber of Commerce or similar Civic or Trade Organization under ch. 181, Wis. Stats.

13. Is this organization required to hold a Wisconsin Seller's permit? Yes No

14. Wisconsin Seller's Permit Number (if applicable)

Part B: Individual Information

List the name, title, and phone number for all officers, directors, and agent of the organization. **Include an Individual Questionnaire (Form AB-100) for each person listed below.** Attach additional sheets if necessary.
 Corporations must also include Alcohol Beverage Appointment of Agent (Form AB-101).

Last Name	First Name	Title	Phone
Krueger	Chad	President	71 [Redacted]
Steinagle	Brandon	Vice-President	[Redacted]
Corro	Shelia	Treasure	[Redacted]
Steinagle	Lindsey	Secretary	[Redacted]

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Part C: Event Information

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1. Name of Event (if applicable) Merrill Fastpitch Tournament / Legion Games + State Tournaments		
2. Dates of Operation 6.17.26, 6.24.26, 7.1.26, 7.8.26, 7.14.26	3. Hours of Operation 10am - 10pm	
4. Premises Address MARC		
5. City Merrill	6. State WI	7. Zip Code 54452
8. County Lincoln	9. Governing Municipality <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City <input type="checkbox"/> Town <input type="checkbox"/> Village of: _____	
11. Organizer of Event (if not the named applicant) Chad Krueger / Renee Krueger		12. Email and/or Phone Number for Organizer of Event 715-218-4044 reneekrueger58@a
13. Organizer Website MerrillFastpitch.com	14. Event Website Not Active yahoo.com	
15. Premises Description - Describe the building or buildings and any outside areas where alcohol beverages and records are sold, stored, or consumed, and related records are kept. Describe all rooms within the building, including living quarters. Authorized alcohol beverage activities and storage of records may occur only on the premises described in this application. Attach a map or diagram and additional sheets if necessary. Sales will occur thru concession stand by field 2 or a designated tent by field 2 depending on single night versus tournament weekend.		

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Last Name Krueger	First Name Chad	M.I. A
Title President	Email chadders@netzero.com	Phone 715-409-0454
Signature 		Date 5-12-26

Part E: For Clerk Use Only

Date Application Was Filed With Clerk 5/14/2026	License Number 10400, 10401, 10402, 10403, 10404, 10405 10406, 10407, 10408, 10409, 10410, 10411, 10412, 10413
Date License Granted	Date License Issued
Signature of Clerk/Deputy Clerk	

Merrill Youth Softball Association (MYSA) aka Merrill Fastpitch is requesting a permit for the following, totaling 14 days:

(3 days) Merrill Fastpitch Tournament July 24, 25, 26

(3 days) Merrill Legion State Tournament July 31, August 1 & 2

(3 days) Merrill Junior Legion Tournament August 7, 8, 9

Merrill Legion Single Event Games

(2 days) June 17, 24

(3 days) July 1, 8, 12

License(s) requested	Fees
<input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Class B Wine	License Fee \$
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Temporary Class W Beer	Background Check \$
	Total Fees \$

Part A: Organization Information

1. Organization Name
MHS Baseball Boosters Inc.

2. Organization Permanent Address
N2751 Pine Grove Rd

3. City
Merrill

4. State
WI

5. Zip Code
54452

6. Mailing Address (if different from permanent address)

7. FEIN
33-3331969

8. Date of Organization/Incorporation
2/2006

9. State of Organization/Incorporation
WI

10. Phone
[REDACTED]

11. Email
[REDACTED]

12. Organization type (check one)
 Non-Profit Club
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Last Name	First Name	Title	Phone
Wendorf	Dan	President	[REDACTED]
Wendorf	Jenny	Treasurer	[REDACTED]
Schultz	Shawn	Vice President	[REDACTED]

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Part C: Event Information			
1. Name of Event (if applicable) <i>Baseball at Athletic Park Legion, Jr Legion, Rangers, Babe Ruth</i>			
2. Dates of Operation <i>June 3, 7, 9, 11, 14, 17, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30 July 1, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 14, 17, 23</i>		3. Hours of Operation <i>6-10 pm</i>	
4. Premises Address <i>500 S Logan St</i>			
5. City <i>Merrill</i>		6. State <i>NI</i>	7. Zip Code <i>54452</i>
8. County <i>Lincoln</i>	9. Governing Municipality <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City <input type="checkbox"/> Town <input type="checkbox"/> Village of <i>Merrill</i>		10. Aldermanic District
11. Organizer of Event (if not the named applicant)		12. Email and/or Phone Number for Organizer of Event	
13. Organizer Website <i>Merrill Baseball merrellbaseball.com</i>		14. Event Website	
15. Premises Description - Describe the building or buildings and any outside areas where alcohol beverages and records are sold, stored, or consumed, and related records are kept. Describe all rooms within the building, including living quarters. Authorized alcohol beverage activities and storage of records may occur only on the premises described in this application. Attach a map or diagram and additional sheets if necessary. <i>Athletic Park - Inside the brick wall surrounding the park, outside of the field of play.</i>			

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Last Name <i>Schultz</i>	First Name <i>Shawn</i>	M.I. <i>A</i>
Title <i>Vice President</i>	Email [REDACTED]	
Signature <i>[Signature]</i>	Date <i>5/18/2026</i>	

Part E: For Clerk Use Only	
Date Application Was Filed With Clerk	License Number
Date License Granted	Date License Issued
Signature of Clerk/Deputy Clerk	

CITY OF MERRILL
STREET USE PERMIT

Extension of premise

Name of Applicant: Ballyhoos
Applicant Address: 124 N Prospect St Applicant Phone #: [REDACTED]

Club or Organization (if applicable): _____

Name of Responsible Person: Heather Pophal
Responsible Person Address: 1007 N Genesee St Phone: [REDACTED]

Date of proposed street use: May 30th, 2026

Time of street use: From: 10 am To: 11 pm

Describe portion of street to be used: extension of premise for previously approved street use permit for May 30th

Approximate number of persons who will attend: _____

Proposed use (in detail): Block party, Band, Bouncy house, food truck, vendors, Kid games

Petition for Street Use Permit

We, the undersigned residents of the 100 hundred block of Prospect Street/Avenue in the City of Merrill, hereby consent to the use of this street as requested above and hereby consent to the City of Merrill granting a Street Use Permit for use of the said portion of said street for said purpose and do hereby agree to abide by such conditions of use as the City of Merrill shall attach to the granting of the requested Street Use Permit. We further understand that the permit will not be granted for longer than twelve (12) hours on the date above specified. We agree to remove from the street all equipment, vehicles and other personal property placed or driven thereon during the event for which the permit is granted prior to the end of said period. We further agree to designate Heather Pophal as the responsible person or persons, who have applied for said Street Use Permit. DBA Ballyhoos

Walt Carl _____
Name Address 120 N Prospect St

Victoria Bastman _____
Name Address 110 N Prospect St

Name Address

Name Address

Name Address

Name Address

Name Address

Name Address

Name Address

Name Address

FEE: \$20.00 Date paid: _____ Amount paid: _____

RECEIVED DATE: _____ RECEIVED BY: _____

REQUEST TO INCLUDE ITEM ON AGENDA

Board or Committee: Common Council
Date of Meeting: Tuesday, May 12, 2026
Request by: Emily Ley, Finance Director

Resolution to Engage Ehlers Investment Services

The attached resolution authorizes the city to engage Ehlers as our investment broker and open a brokerage account with Pershing LLC.

Why do we need an investment broker?

Healthy diversity of investments. Outside of raising taxes and fees, the city has limited ways to increase revenues. Using an investment broker and doing an analysis of our cash needs will allow us to create an investing strategy in a mix of cash, short-term and longer-term investments. Historically, we've relied on interest earnings on our cash accounts. Using short-term CDs and laddered investments will generate higher earnings and provide stable income. We know what the CDs will mature at versus unknown future interest rates.

We have a responsibility to stretch every dollar as far as we can. Using an experienced investment broker with knowledge of municipal investments and state law and pooling our cash with the other municipalities, provides more purchasing power and earnings versus investing the funds ourselves. Utilizing legal investment strategies we can maximize interest earnings and stretch our tax dollars further for city projects. Our operational costs continue to increase with inflation and wage progression and this is one concrete tool municipalities have available to them to generate income.

Why Ehlers?

Fiduciary. Ehlers Advisors is a fiduciary. This is the highest standard of responsibility, and they have legal and ethical obligation to act in the city's best interest. As a fiduciary they are subject to the Security Exchange Commission (SEC) audit and rules. (Non-fiduciary financial advisors operate under a different set of standards, which requires advisors to make recommendations that are suitable for the client's needs, goals, and financial situation, but it does not necessarily require them to act in the best interest of the client.)

Experience. Ehlers Investment Partners has over 225 clients and manages over \$3 billion in municipal assets. They help government clients build an investment plan, including cash flow analysis, borrowing projections and forecasting, and then help implement the plan.

Good Partners: Ehlers knows our debt history. We've worked with them for a number of years and they understand how we do things in terms of borrowing for capital projects and can help us with our financial planning. Also, Ehlers understands that this is just one piece of our investment strategy. They know we have strong relationships with our community banks and can help us make sure that we're earning competitive rates.

Transparency and flexibility: This is an at-will agreement, so there's no time commitment. Ehlers has a tiered rate structure for services: 0.25% for the first \$5 million in assets invested per year. Fees are paid from investment earnings. There is a client portal where we have full access to our information and balances, and funds are available within 48 hours.

Timing – With the upcoming 2026A bond sale, I'd like to establish an investment account to deposit some of the bond proceeds into and start earning interest on those funds.

RESOLUTION NO.

**APPROVAL TO OPEN CUSTODIAL ACCOUNT(S) WITH PERSHING LLC, and
ENGAGE EHLERS INVESTMENT PARTNERS as INVESTMENT ADVISOR**

WHEREAS, Ehlers Investment Partners LLC, recommends opening brokerage account(s) for investment of City funds; and

WHEREAS, Ehlers Investment Partners LLC, as the City's investment fiduciary, will help manage and advise the City on the investment of these funds in accordance with State Statute.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Merrill that it hereby be approves the engagement of Ehlers Investment Partners LLC, to open Pershing LLC brokerage account(s) to aid the City in the management of investments.

The above and foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Council of the City of Merrill at a meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2026 by a vote of

Recommended by: The Common
Council

CITY OF MERRILL, WISCONSIN

Moved: _____

Steve Hass
Mayor

Passed: _____

Lori Anderson-Malm
City Clerk