

City of Neenah COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES Wednesday, October 1, 2025 at 6:00 PM Neenah City Hall – 211 Walnut Street Council Chambers

The Common Council of the City of Neenah, Winnebago County, Wisconsin, met in regular session at 6:00 p.m., October 1, 2025, in the Council Chambers of Neenah City Hall.

Mayor Lang is the chair.

Present: Council President Borchardt, Aldermen Bruno, Erickson, Linski, Ellis, Steiner, Pollnow, Lendrum, and Weber. Staff present Deputy Director of Finance Kahl, Director of Community Development & Assessment Nieforth, Public Works Director Kaiser, City Attorney Rashid, and City Clerk Nagel.

Also Present: Deputy Community Development Director Schmidt, Assist Police Chief Bernice, and those noted on the attached Meeting Sign-In Sheets.

Mayor Lang called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

- I. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance
 - The City Clerk called a voice roll call as the Mayor/Aldermen recorded their attendance in the RollCall-Pro System followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Alderman Linski
- II. Introduction and Confirmation of Mayor's Appointment(s)
 - A. None.
- III. Approval of Council Proceedings
 - A. Approval of the Council Minutes and Proceedings of September 17, 2025 regular session.
 - B. **(UC)**

Seeing no objection to unanimous consent, the Minutes and Proceedings were ordered approved as written.

IV. Public Hearings

A. Consider Ordinance No. 2025-13 rezoning land located at 215 E. Forest Avenue from the R2, Two-Family Residence District to the CH, Community Health District to accommodate a multi-family housing development for use by ThedaCare.

Mayor Lang opened the Public Hearing at 6:01 p.m.

Scott Becher, 1061 Green Acres Lane – Stated his support for the Community Health District, multi-family housing development by ThedaCare. Thinks it is a wonderful addition to our community.

Lisa Strandberg, 325 12th Street, also with Pillars Resource Center. Ms. Strandberg spoke in support of the Community Health District, multi-family housing development by ThedaCare. Working with Pillars, the project is a great addition for work-based housing.

After three calls, no additional comments were heard. Mayor Lang closed the Public Hearing at 6:03 p.m.

B. Consider Ordinance No. 2025-12 amending the Official Street Map of the City of Neenah, established in section 26-30 of the municipal Code to align with the north right-of-way line of E. North Water Street between the vacated portion of Second Street and Third Street.

Mayor Lang opened the Public Hearing at 6:03 p.m.

After three calls, no comments were heard. Mayor Lang closed the Public Hearing at 6:03 p.m.

C. Consider Ordinance No. 2025-14 an amendment to the ThedaCare Medical Center Community Health District Master Plan and project plan for the following project located at 215 E. Forest Avenue and 130 2"d Street: Add 215 E. Forest Street to the Master Plan (former Roosevelt School site), and construction of multi-family housing for use by ThedaCare.

Mayor Lang opened the Public Hearing at 6:04 p.m.

After three calls, no comments were heard. Mayor Lang closed the Public Hearing at 6:04 p.m.

- V. Plan Commission report pertaining to the Public Hearings
 - A. <u>Plan Commission meeting of September 23, 2025</u>: (Ald. Steiner) (Minutes can be found on the City website)
 - 1. Commission recommends Council approve Ordinance No. 2025-13 rezoning property located at 215 E. Forest Avenue to the CH, Community Health District. (RollCall-Pro)

Motion by Steiner, seconded by Ellis to approve as recommended by the Plan Commission. No further discussion. Motion carried in a roll call vote, 9-0.

 Commission recommends Council approve Ordinance 2025-12, amending the Official Street Map to narrow the E. North Water Street right-of-way from 82 feet to 70 feet between First Street and the vacated portion of Second Street. (RollCall-Pro)

Motion by Steiner, seconded by Ellis to approve as recommended by the Plan Commission. No further discussion. Motion carried in a roll call vote, 9-0.

3. Commission recommends Council approve Ordinance No. 2025-14, approve the Master Plan Amendment No. 1-25 and Project Plan Approval No. 1-25 for the ThedaCare Medical Center Community Health District, amending the ThedaCare Master Plan and allowing for the construction of a multi-family development located at 215 E. Forest Avenue. (RollCall-Pro)

Motion by Steiner, seconded by Ellis to approve as recommended by the Plan Commission. No further discussion. Motion carried in a roll call vote, 9-0.

Mayor Lang commented that she is thrilled this project is moving forward, and thinks it will be a very positive project for our community.

VI. Public Forum

- A. Speakers should give their name and residential address (not mailing address) and are allowed five minutes to speak on any topic.
 Mayor Lang opened the Public Forum at 6:07 p.m. After three calls for comments, there were no appearances. Mayor Lang closed the Public Forum at 6:07 p.m.
- VII. Mayor/Council consideration of public forum issues None.

VIII. Consent Agenda

- A. Approve a one lot Certified Survey Map and accept the dedication of public right-of-way along First Street for the property located at 215 E. Forest Avenue. (PC)
- B. (UC)
 Seeing no objection to unanimous consent, the Consent Agenda was ordered approved as presented.
- IX. Reports of standing committees
 - A. Regular Public Services and Safety Committee meeting of September 9, 2025: (Chairman Lendrum/Vice Chairman Weber) (Minutes can be found on the City website)
 - Committee recommends Council approve the Winnebago County 911
 Emergency Joint Powers Agreement. (RollCall-Pro)
 Motion by Lendrum, seconded by Weber to approve as recommended by the Public Services and Safey Committee. No further discussion. Motion carried in a roll call vote, 9-0.
 - B. Regular Public Services and Safety Committee meeting of September 23, 2025: (Chairman Lendrum/Vice Chairman Weber) (Minutes can be found on the City website)
 - 1. Committee recommends Council approve the purchase of a 2026 Chevrolet Silverado 3500 Dump Truck with a Monroe Dump Box from Napleton Autowerks, Columbus WI, for \$68,306.00, and approve the purchase of a 2-way radio and additional safety items/lighting in an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00. Funding to come from Capital Equipment fund. (RollCall-Pro) Motion by Lendrum, seconded by Borchardt to approve as recommended by the Public Services and Safey Committee. No further discussion. Motion carried in a roll call vote, 9-0.

- C. Regular Finance and Personnel Committee meeting of September 22, 2025: (Chairman Steiner/Vice Chairman Erickson) (Minutes can be found on the City website)
 - Meeting cancelled, no report.
- D. <u>NMFR Joint Finance & Personnel Committee meeting of September 30, 2025</u>: (Council President Borchardt) (Minutes can be found on the City website)
 - Consideration of Committee recommendation to approve Resolution 2025-10
 Authorizing Signatory Municipality to Exceed the Levy Limit for Neenah-Menasha Fire Rescue Fiscal year 2026. (RollCall-Pro)
 Motion by Borchardt, seconded by Pollnow to approve as recommended by the NMFR Joint Finance & Personnel Committee. Motion carried in a roll call vote, 9-0.

Council President Borchardt told the Council the approval of the resolution does not mean the cities are obligated to exceed the levy limit but can if needed. Exceeding the levy limit is allowed under the joint consolidation agreement on an annual basis.

- X. Reports of special committees and liaisons and various special projects committees
 - A. Regular Plan Commission meeting of September 23, 2025: (Alderman Steiner) (Minutes can be found on the City website)
 - Report on Neenah Housing Study and Needs Assessment Implementation. (No Action)

Alderman Steiner updated the Council on some bills that were introduced at the state level on a bipartisan basis for increasing housing opportunities across the state. He encouraged anyone who supports the proposed legislation to email their state representatives.

- B. <u>Board of Public Works meeting of September 23, 2025</u>: (Vice Chairman Lendrum) (Minutes can be found on the City website)
 - 1. Informational items only, no report.
- C. Report from the Sustainable Neenah Committee Meeting of September 24, 2025 Alderman Linski
 - 1. Nothing to report.
- D. Report from the Bergstrom Mahler Museum Alderman Bruno
 - 1. Annual Meeting will be held Wednesday, October 22nd. Please RSVP if you plan to attend.
- E. Report from the Park Commission September 18, 2025 Alderman Weber
 - 1. The Commission met at the Whiting Boathouse.
 - Acknowledgement of Dossiers of the Doty Cabin Jacy Park and Becky Heidke Kwitakowski who inventoried all the Doty Cabin items and gave the Commission a presentation. The Commission also toured Doty Cabin and the Shoreland Restoration Project.

- 3. Carpenter Preserve Informational Session on October 2nd, at 6 p.m. at the George Schrek Building.
- 4. Volunteer opportunity at the Carpenter Preserve Saturday, October 4th at 8 a.m. at the north of Carpenter Preserve.
- 5. Batting Cages are being built at Southview Park.

XI. Presentation of petitions

- A. Any other petition received by the City Clerk's Office after distribution of the agenda.
 - None.

XII. Council Directives

A. None.

XIII. Unfinished Business

A. None.

XIV. New Business

- A. Any announcements/questions that may legally come before the Council.
 - Council President Borchardt commented on the Strategic Plan Workshops giving Council and staff the opportunity to interact with each. He was appreciative of being included in the workshop.
 - 2. Council President Borchardt also attended the First Annual Employee Appreciation Luncheon on September 25th. It was a great way to celebrate the staff's hard work.

XV. Adjournment

Motion by Pollnow, seconded by Linski to adjourn. No further discussion. Motion carried in a voice vote, 9-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlotte Nagel, City Clerk

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CITY OF NEENAH – COMMON COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2025 ATTENDANCE SHEET

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