



**City of Neenah
Common Council Minutes
Wednesday, March 18, 2026 at 6:00 PM
Neenah City Hall
211 Walnut Street
Council Chambers**

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The Common Council of the City of Neenah, Winnebago County, Wisconsin, met in regular session at 6:00 PM, March 18, 2026, 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 Director of Finance Rasmussen, Director of Community Development & Assessment Nieforth, Public Works Director Kaiser, City Attorney Rashid, and City Clerk Nagel.

Also Present: Fire Chief Teesch, Police Captain Van Sambeek, Police Chief Olson, Police Fleet Manager Howat, and those noted on the attached Meeting Sign-In Sheets.

Mayor Lang called the meeting to order at 6:05 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 Council President Borchardt.

II. Introduction and Confirmation of Mayor's Appointment(s)

A. Appoint the following to the Landmarks Commission:

1. Flo Bruno as a member of the Landmarks Commission for the remainder of Amy Moorefield's term, expiring in July 2027.
2. Frank Cuthbert as Alternate #1 for the remainder of Flo Bruno's term, expiring in July 2027.
3. Miranda Ridener as Alternate #2 for a three-year term, expiring in July 2029.
(Attachment) **(Unanimous Consent)**

Seeing no objections, the above appointments were ordered approved.

III. Approval of Council Proceedings

A. [Approval of the Council Minutes and Proceedings of March 4, 2026 regular session.](#)
(Unanimous Consent)

Seeing no objections, the above Minutes and Proceedings were ordered approved as written.

IV. Public Hearings

- A. Consider the 2026 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan.
(Attachment) **(No action required)**

Mayor Lang opened the public hearing at 6:07 PM. After three calls for comments, there were no appearances. Mayor Lang closed the public hearing at 6:08 PM.

V. 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 PM.

Heather Jelinski, 1733 Freeman Drive. Spoke about her frustration the poor condition of neighborhood roads in the Freedom Meadows subdivision. She spoke of the impact the road conditions are making on daily life and on property. She provided photos of road conditions and a drainage way.

Rick Neimy, 237 Webster Street. Requested the ThedaCare Graduate Medical Education townhouse on the former Roosevelt Elementary School site be renamed Rosevelt Commons to honor the legacy.

Lynsey Gonzalez, 1634 Valor Place. Shared her frustration with the poor condition of neighborhood roads in the Freedom Meadows subdivision and the impact on her daily life. Ms. Gonzalez provided the Council with photos of the poor road conditions.

Kristine Pohlman, 1721 Freeman Drive. Shared her frustrations with the poor condition of neighborhood roads in the Freedom Meadows subdivision and the impact on her daily life.

Andrew Leonard, 1747 Legacy Lane. Echoed the same concerns of the poor condition of neighborhood roads in the Freedom Meadows subdivision and the impact on his daily life. He also referenced the Development Agreement and the violation of the said agreement as it relates to road maintenance. The roads are unsafe for travel.

Tom Hanby, 706 E. Forest Ave. Advocated for school zone signs near or at the former Roosevelt School property which is currently a school bus stop. Asking for safety of the students.

Stephen Curran, 1709 Founders Street. Expressed his frustration with the current road conditions in Freedom Meadows Subdivision and the lack of action from the city.

Dana Poke-Prahl, 1772 Legacy Lane. Also expressed her frustration with the current road conditions in Freedom Meadows Subdivision and the lack of action from the city.

Scott Becher, 1061 Green Acres Lane. Spoke about the poor road conditions in the Freedom Meadows Subdivision and the need for better maintenance.

Chris Amundson, 1759 Legacy Lane. Brought in a sample of the actual road pavement which is recycled asphalt. Spoke about his frustration of the poor condition of neighborhood roads in the Freedom Meadows subdivision. He spoke the difficulties of navigating a vehicle on the roads in their current state.

Nancy Haslow, 813 Grant Place. She hopes that the council can help the residents Freedom Meadows with the road conditions. She spoke on the ThedaCare Graduate Medical Education townhouse on the former Roosevelt Elementary School site be renamed Rosevelt Commons to honor the legacy.

Note that photos were provided along with a sample of failed road material. The photographs are attached to the record copy of the meeting minutes.

After additional calls for public comments, none were heard. Mayor Lang closed the Public Forum at 6:42 PM.

VI. Mayor/Council consideration of public forum issues

- A. Alderman Pollnow questioned the city's enforcement of the Developer's Agreement as it relates to the road maintenance.
- B. Director Kaiser and other council members discussed both the challenges and potential solutions for improving the road conditions in Freedom Meadows Subdivision.
- C. Alderman Ellis suggested forming a special subcommittee to address the Freedom Meadows road conditions.
- D. Alderman Steiner emphasized the need for clear communication and enforcement of the Developer's Agreement by the city.
- E. Director Kaiser along with City Attorney Rashid discussed the legal and practical steps to address the road conditions in Freedom Meadows subdivision.
- F. Council President Borchardt advised he would point of contact for residents of Freedom Meadows to communicate their complaints. A special meeting of the Public Services and Safety Committee would be scheduled for April 14th to discuss the road conditions, challenges, and possible solutions in more detail.

VII. Consent Agenda

- A. Receive and place on file the approved Special Event Permits presented at the March 10, 2026 Public Services and Safety Committee meeting.
(Attachment) **(Unanimous Consent)**
Seeing no objections, the above Consent Agenda was ordered approved.

VIII. Reports of standing committees

- A. [Regular Public Services and Safety Committee Meeting of March 10, 2026](#): (Chairman Lendrum/Vice Chairman Weber) (Minutes can be found on the City website)
 - 1. Committee recommends Council approve the Police Department purchase of evidence, duty-bag, and airflow wardrobe lockers in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00, funding source being the Capital Facilities Improvement Budget.
(Roll Call Vote)
MSCRP Lendrum/Weber to the Police Department purchase of evidence, duty-bag, and airflow wardrobe lockers in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 as recommended by the Committee. Motion carried in a roll call vote, 9-0.

Police Captain Van Sambeek provided a brief overview of the need for the equipment and lockers.

2. Committee recommends Council approve the Police Department purchase of two 2026 Ford Police Utility Vehicles, one 2024 or newer Chevrolet Tahoe, and all equipment and changeover costs not to exceed the Capital Equipment Budgeted amount of \$175,000.00. **(Roll Call Vote)**
MSCRP Lendrum/Pollnow to approve the Police Department vehicle purchase not to exceed \$175,000.00 as recommended by the Committee. Motion carried in a roll call vote, 9-0.

Police Fleet Manager Howat provided an overview of the vehicle purchase.

3. Committee recommends Council approve the purchase of a 2026 Chevrolet Silverado 1/2-Ton 4WD Crew Cab Pick Up Truck from Bergstrom GM, Neenah, in the amount of \$43,797.81 and a new bed cap/cover and additional safety equipment not to exceed \$5,000.00, utilizing 2026 Capital Equipment Budgeted funds. **(Roll Call Vote)**
MSCRP Lendrum/Weber to approve the purchase a 2026 Chevrolet Silverado 1/2-Ton 4WD Crew Cab Pick Up Truck as recommended by the Committee. Motion carried in a roll call vote, 9-0.
4. Committee recommends Council approve the purchase of a 2026 Chevrolet Silverado 1/2-Ton 4WD Crew Cab Pick Up Truck from Bergstrom GM, Neenah, in the amount of \$44,303.81 and a new bed cap/cover and additional safety equipment not to exceed \$5,000.00, utilizing 2026 Capital Equipment Budgeted funds **(Roll Call Vote)**
MSCRP Lendrum/Pollnow to approve the purchase a 2026 Chevrolet Silverado 1/2-Ton 4WD Crew Cab Pick Up Truck as recommended by the Committee. Motion carried in a roll call vote, 9-0.
5. Committee recommends Council approve the purchase of a 2026 Ford F250 4WD Regular Cab Pick-Up Truck from Bergstrom Ford, Neenah, in the amount of \$49,321.17 along with a new 2-way radio and additional safety items/lighting not to exceed \$2,000.00, utilizing 2026 Capital Equipment Budgeted funds. **(Roll Call Vote)**
MSCRP Lendrum/Pollnow to approve the purchase of a 2026 Ford F250 4WD Regular Cab Pick-Up Truck as recommended by the Committee. Motion carried in a roll call vote, 9-0.
6. Committee recommends Council approve the Transfer of a “Class B” Combination Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage License from BayPoint Bar & Grill, Inc. to AA Signature Bar & Grill, LLC, d/b/a BayPoint Bar & Grill, 944 S. Green Bay Road contingent upon a closing date of March 23, 2026. **(Roll Call Vote)**
MSCRP Lendrum/Pollnow to approve the Transfer of a “Class B” Combination Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage License to AA Signature Bar & Grill, LLC, d/b/a BayPoint Bar & Grill, 944 S. Green Bay

Road contingent upon a closing date of March 23, 2026as recommended by the Committee. Motion carried in a roll call vote, 9-0.

- B. [Regular Finance and Personnel Committee Meeting of March 9, 2025](#): (Chairman Steiner/Vice Chairman Erickson) (Minutes can be found on the City website)
1. Committee recommends Council approve the recommended 2025 General Fund Operating Carry Forwards to 2026 as submitted. **(2/3 Roll Call Vote)**
MSCRП Steiner/Pollnow to approve the recommended 2025 General Fund Operating Carry Forwards to 2026 as recommended by the Committee. Motion carried in a roll call vote, 9-0.
 2. Committee recommends Council approve the use of \$56,988 of the Fiscal Year 2025 General Fund surplus as follows:
 - a. \$6,988 for Neenah’s share of the Municipal Court deficit
 - b. \$50,000 transfer to the Liability Insurance Fund Remove the \$300,000 transfer from the Alliant Energy PILOT Fund to the General Fund.
(2/3 Roll Call Vote)
MSCRП Steiner/Pollnow to approve the the use of \$56,988 of the Fiscal Year 2025 General Fund surplus as recommended by the Committee. Motion carried in a roll call vote, 9-0.
- C. [NMFR Joint Finance & Personnel Committee Meeting of March 17, 2026](#): (Council President Borchardt) (Minutes can be found on the City website)
1. Meeting cancelled, no report.
- D. [Regular Plan Commission Meeting of March 10, 2026](#): (Alderman Steiner) (Minutes can be found on the City website)
1. Meeting cancelled, no report.
- E. [Board of Public Works Meeting of March 5, 2026](#): (Vice Chairman Lendrum) (Minutes can be found on the City website)
1. The Board recommends Council award Contract 3-26, Re-Roof North and South Vehicle Storage Bays, Neenah City Services Building, 1495 Tullar Road, to Custof foam Corporation in the amount of \$209,701.00. **(Roll Call Vote)**
MSCRП Lendrum/Pollnow to award Contract 3-26, Re-Roof North and South Vehicle Storage Bays, Neenah City Services Building as recommended by the Board. Motion carried in a roll call vote, 9-0.
- F. [Reports on Business Improvement District Board Meeting of March 17, 2026– Alderman Ellis](#)
1. No report.
- G. [Report from the Library Board Meeting of March 18, 2026 – Alderman Erickson](#)
1. Statistical numbers were given regarding circulation numbers, programming, and new library cards issued.
 2. A report was given on the Fox Cities Read Event.
- H. [Report from the Neenah Arts Council Meeting of March 11, 2026 – Alderman Erickson](#)
1. Activity planning is underway for summer events.
 2. April meeting will be held at Bergstrom-Mahl Museum of Glass touring the Teen Voices and Glass Art Show.

- I. [Report from the Landmarks Commission Meeting of March 11, 2026 – Alderman Weber](#)
 - 1. Nothing for Council beyond the appointments made this evening.

- IX. Presentation of petitions
 - A. Any other petition received by the City Clerk’s Office after distribution of the agenda.
 - 1. None.

- X. Council Directives

- XI. Unfinished Business

- XII. New Business
 - A. Any announcements/questions that may legally come before the Council.
 - 1. Mayor Lang recognized the Public Works Department for all their efforts in dealing with Blizzard Elsa, the second largest snowstorm in Wisconsin history.
 - 2. Election update was given by Clerk Nagel.

- XIII. Adjournment
 - Motion by Alderman Pollnow, seconded by Alderman Weber to adjourn. Motion carried in a voice vote 9-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:40PM.**

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Respectfully submitted,



Charlotte Nagel, City Clerk

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Attendance Sheet

NAME	ADDRESS
1. SCOTT BECHER	1081 GREEN ACRES LANE
2. Stephen Curran	1709 Founders St
3. Pamela Less	1709 Founders St
4. Kris Pollman	1721 Freeman Drive
5. Nancy Haseloa	813 Grant Place
6. Andrew Leonard	1747 Legacy
7. CHRIS AMUNDSON	1759 LEGACY LN.
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NAME	ADDRESS
1. Greg Howat	Neenah PD
2. Wnsky Gonzalez	11634 Valor Place
3. Ron Klatt	202 GRANT ST
4. Rick Neimye & Linda	237 Webster St.
5. Dana Doke-Prahl	1772 Legacy Ln
6. Heather Jeliniski	1733 Freeman Dr.
7. JOHN NASH	813 GRANT PLACE
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