



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Wednesday, June 19th, 2024, at 6:00 PM
City Hall, 2110 Washington St, New Holstein, WI 53061

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Council President Woelfel.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call was taken. Present were Gene Woelfel, Richard Snelson, Steven Abrams, Eric Mayer, Robert Schermetzler, Paula Oakley, Dan Watson, Brad Hess, and Becca Mosier. Also, present were City Attorney Sorenson, Police Chief Eric Fisher, Library Director D Hankins, Fire Chief Craig Carey, Public Works Director Jason Meyer, NHU General Manager Marc Stephanie, Officer Doute, and City Administrator Cullen Peltier.

GUESTS: Mark Sherry and Jessica Fisher

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

A motion was made by Watson, seconded by Snelson, and carried to approve the agenda as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Schermetzler, seconded by Snelson, and carried to approve the June 4th, 2024, Committee of the Whole minutes with addition of Schermetzler in the Roll Call.

CITIZEN INPUT: None

FINANCE AND PURCHASING:

- a. 1 The monthly invoices, and financial report for the month ending May 2024 were presented. A motion was made by Snelson, seconded by Hess, and carried to recommend to the Common Council to approve the invoices as presented and accept the financial report as presented.

PROTECTIONS OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY: None

CITY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: None

RECREATION DIRECTORS: None

PERSONNEL: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. City Attorney Sorenson provided a presentation on "Being a Productive Council Member". He highlighted the Legislative, Executive, and Judicial branches of government and how they should interact. He discussed the roles and responsibilities of the Council, the Mayor, the City Administrator, and staff and the importance of working together as a goal. A question was asked about the role of the Committee of the Whole and Attorney Sorenson explained the history and role of the Committee.

- b. Mosier explained her idea for improving citizen input through community roundtable groups. She explained the goal was to find out the main issues citizen felt were important and then adding these concerns as agenda items for future meetings. The Committee discussed the best way to the solicit the input of citizens. The Committee agreed to have discussions with the citizens and at the next COW, the Committee will discuss what they found and then add specific areas of concern to future COW Agendas to be discussed in depth. The Committee also requested that "Future Agenda Items", be added as a standing item on the agenda.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm by Council President Woelfel.

Cullen Peltier, City Administrator