

**MINUTES**  
**May 13, 2024**

The City Council of Badger met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. at Badger City Hall with Mayor Chris Wendell presiding. Council members present: Teresa Larson-White, Pam Smith, Jeff Brundige, Nathan Jones and Roger Curtis. Also present: Kurt May and Joey Krug from Speedy Dump, Ralph and Donna Bryan, Jennifer Schild, Carol Hanson, Larry Hall and David Schiefelbein. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Larson-White second by Smith, all ayes, motion carried. Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Smith, second by Brundige, all ayes, motion carried. The consent agenda consisted of minutes from the April 15th meeting, Clerk/Treasurer report for April, and bills in the amount of \$21,692.70. There was no unscheduled business. Under communications and reports, Library Director, Tammy Jones discussed her written report on library activities and happenings. Next on the agenda was Public Works Department reports. Water/Wastewater Operator Craig Larson presented his written report on amounts of water/sewage production/disposal for April and the conditions of the lagoons. Also discussed was the need for additional sewage lift pump repairs vs. replacement. City staff requested quotes but had not received all of them at the time of the meeting. After discussion, it was decided that a new Flygt pump as a replacement should be purchased. A motion to approve purchasing the new pump for a yet to be determined amount not to exceed \$32,000 was moved by Jones, second by Smith. All ayes, motion carried. Mark Wertz, Public Works, presented his written report to the Council which included numerous maintenance tasks, work with equipment, utility locates, etc. Glenda Rasmussen, City Clerk, presented her written report to Council. The Council and Mayor briefly discussed suspected behavior at the car wash and the need for some grass/weed notices to be given to properties in violation. Mayor also stated he had animal control pick up another stray dog. Under regular agenda items, David Schiefelbein presented Council with plans for the 2024 Fireman's Ball on June 15<sup>th</sup> and asked for the annual street closure. Motion to approve by Larson-White, second by Curtis, all ayes with Brundige abstaining, motion carried. Motion to approve liquor license for Badger Fire and EMS Association, Inc. for the Fireman's Ball was made by Larson-White, second by Smith, all ayes with Brundige abstaining, motion carried. Next a motion to approve the previously discussed liquor license for Top of Iowa Lucky Wife, LLC for Badgerfest was made by Larson-White, second by Jones, all ayes, motion carried. A garbage service contract was discussed next. City's current contract expired and other companies were also contacted for proposals and the issue had been discussed at the April meeting when Speedy Dump met with Council. Pederson Sanitation owners/employees in attendance at this meeting, along with Joey Krug and Kurt May discussed the issue with Council and Mayor. Members of the audience also commented. Curtis moved to sign another contract with Pederson Sanitation, but it died for lack of a second. After continued discussion, a motion to contract with Speedy Dump was made by Larson-White, second by Jones. Ayes: Larson-White, Jones, Smith, Brundige. Nays: Curtis. Motion carried. Speedy Dump will contract with the city beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> and Pederson stated they would continue until July 1<sup>st</sup>. Speedy Dump will provide garbage carts and a new customized recycling bin prior to July 1<sup>st</sup>. Multi-person households will receive a 96 gallon cart, single person households will receive a 64 gallon cart. Garbage will be picked up as usual on Thursdays but will be during the day rather than the early morning hours. Next a motion to approve a public hearing date for the second amendment to the FY24 budget to be held on June 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. was made by Curtis, second by Brundige. The last item for the night was a motion to approve budgeted transfers between funds for the current fiscal year and was made by Larson-White, second by Curtis, all ayes, motion carried. There being no other business, motion to adjourn was made by Curtis, second by Brundige, all ayes, motion carried. Adjournment at 8:00 p.m.

Glenda R. Rasmussen  
City Clerk