COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

October 13, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting
Mayor Hauser, Presiding

Present: Johnson, Mathson, Morris (6:05), Sendelbach, Solsrud
Administrator Morelan; Police Chief Hernandez; Officer Voves; and Clerk-Treasurer Witte

Absent: Sunday

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Comment Period

There were no members of the public present who wished to comment.

Minutes of Previous Meetings

Council Member Sendelbach moved to approve the minutes from the Regular Common Council Meeting of September 8th, 2026. Council Member Solsrud seconded, and the motion carried on a voice vote as follows:

Ayes – Johnson, Mathson, Morris, Sendelbach, Solsrud
Nays – 0

Council Member Solsrud moved to approve the minutes from the Committee of the Whole Meetings on September 29th, 2026, and October 8th, 2026. Council Member Johnson seconded, and the motion carried on a voice vote as follows:

Ayes – Johnson, Mathson, Morris, Sendelbach, Solsrud
Nays – 0

Agenda Items

Consider/Approve Pay Request #3 from R.J. Jurowski Construction, Inc. in the amount of $48,112.27 for the Water Treatment Plant Project. Council Member Johnson moved to approve the pay request. Council Member Mathson seconded, and the motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes – Johnson, Mathson, Morris, Sendelbach, Solsrud
Nays – 0

Consider/Approve amendment/re-creation to City of Whitehall Code of Ordinances Section 13.24 Private Well Abandonment. Council Member Sendelbach moved to approve the amendment/re-creation to Section 13.24 regarding private well abandonment. Council Member Mathson seconded, and the motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes – Mathson, Morris, Sendelbach, Solsrud Johnson
Nays – 0

Consider/Approve revised Whitehall Police Department Policies Chapter 3 (300-340). Council Member Solsrud moved to approve Chapter 3. Council Member Morris seconded, and the motion carried on a voice vote as follows:

Ayes – Johnson, Mathson, Morris, Sendelbach, Solsrud
Nays – 0

Administrator Morelan was directed to send a formal letter to the property owner of 18529 Blair Street, parcel number 291-00271-0000, asking for a concrete timeline for completion of the outside building work, to avoid the property being declared a public nuisance .

The Police Report was given by Chief Hernandez. He noted statistical information on the number and type of calls/actions the department responded to during the month of September 2026; discussed equipment needs of the department; and informed the Council that Gavin Voves the department's fourth officer, had begun his 240-hour field training on October 13th, 2026.

Administrator Morelan gave the Administrator's Report noting items that he has been working on during the last month including the Field of Dreams Project and Communication Assistance Boards for both parks. Both projects are being sponsored by Emplify Health.

Council Member Mathson made a motion at 6:46 p.m. to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1) (e,) "Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session" for the sole purpose of considering the purchase of parcel 291-00271-0000. Council Member Solsrud seconded, and the motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes – Morris, Sendelbach, Solsrud, Johnson, Mathson
Nays – 0

Mayor Hauser brought the meeting back into open session at 6:57 p.m. by unanimous consent.

Council Member Mathson made a motion at 6:58 p.m. to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1) (c), "Considering employment, promotion, compensation and performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility…", specifically for the purpose of considering employee request for reduced hours. Council Member Solsrud seconded, and the motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes – Sendelbach, Solsrud, Johnson, Mathson, Morris
Nays – 0

Mayor Hauser brought the meeting back into open session at 7:26 p.m. by unanimous consent.

Approval of Vouchers and Treasurer's Report

October vouchers for the following amounts have been reviewed by the Finance Committee and were presented to the Council for their consideration: General City $147,384.75; Electric Utility $352,856.81; Water Utility $109,203.24; Sewer Utility $118,322.48; and Library $10,182.70. Council Member Mathson moved to approve the vouchers and Treasurer's Report. Council Member Morris seconded, and the motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes –Solsrud, Johnson, Mathson, Morris, Sendelbach,
Nays – 0

Council Comment Period and Schedule Committee Meetings

Upon motion by Council Member Morris and seconded by Council Member Solsrud, the meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

The foregoing reports, resolutions, motions, ordinances, etc. contained in this are herewith approved by the undersigned.

These minutes are the true and correct original and consist of two pages.

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Jeff Hauser, Mayor

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Karen Witte, City Clerk-Treasurer