

City of New Munich
City Council Minutes

February 1, 2021

The City Council of the City of New Munich met in regular session at 6:38 p.m., in the City Hall. Shawn Duevel, Ron Doll, Sandy Zierden, and Kurt Thelen were present. Elmer Boecker was absent.

On a motion by Ron Doll, seconded by Sandy Zierdan and carried the minutes from January 4, 2021 were approved.

Fire Chief, Allen Fiedler was absent. Sent in report prior to meeting. No calls in January and no bills to submit.

Waste/Water Operator, Tom Valerius was present. Sewer-Finish up reports that were due. North pond is 40+ years old and will need to figure out what is happening with the drain area. Water-Read the meters a day early on the 30. Had a error message when first tried to read. Went through when tried again. Well 6 not pumping where it should be. Needs to get it pumping right for spring. Wheels water will be contacted. Receipts from office depot and postage for mailing off reports.

Sandy Zierdan reported for the New Munich Jaycees that they were informed from Shady's that they are planning on taking the insurance money and leaving the bar shut down.

No building permits. Mayor Shawn Duevel checked with city attorney and is able to break ties on building permits. If he is involved in the building then he is not able to vote. Before he became mayor he did not vote on building permits

Tom and Sasha Newman came to meeting to talk about possibly detaching from the city and going into Oak Township. The structure already on property would be commercial because of the size of the building. Tom believes it was zoned floodplain when he built on it. Now they are saying it's zoned residential. A representative from Oak township was here to represent the township because the land would be coming into their township if Tom decides to lease the city. It's 14 acres. Susan the city attorney suggested to split the property into 2 properties, residential for house and commercial for the current building.

250 Liberty street is on a month to month lease. Would need to give a 45 days notice if the city wanted to discontinue the lease. Scott from Worms Lumber has shingles for the garages that match the house and garage needs to be resided. Lean-to on back of property needs to be decided what to do with it. Does it need to be tore down? On a motion by Ron Doll, seconded by Kurt Thelen to notify the renters at 250 Liberty of their 45 day notice, motion approved.

On a motion by Ron Doll, second by Sandy Zierden to hold Board of Appeal & Equalization Meeting will be on April 5th at 6:00 pm, motion approved.

On a motion by Sandy Zierden, second by Kurt Thelen to Make Ordinance #98 – Planning and Zoning a 5 member committee, motion approved.

On a motion by Kurt Thelen, second by Sandy Zierden to approve the Tree of Life Contact to have city hall be their emergency shelter, motion approved.

Table the meter installs to the state lists the moratorium for shutting off utilities. Look at in summer.

On a motion by Sandy Zierden, second by Ron Doll for the Partial Release of Easements of Mayer and Borgerding, motion approved.

Stearns county wants to purchase a parcel of land for right a way during the county road 12 reconstruction. On a motion by Kurt Thelen, second by Sandy Zierden, motion approved. Need to fill out W9 to turn into the county for the 100.00 from selling the land.

City needs to look into getting a city engineer with the future reconstruction of main street with the water lines, sewer lines etc. 3 companies in the area. They would take care of mapping it out.

Joe Bushman was present for Mayor Shawn Duevel, Sandy Zierden from Planning and Zoning, and City Clerk Ann Piotrowski to sign the Mylars for Munich Acres. On a motion by Sandy Zierden, second by Ron Doll for a plat review with basic criteria, motion approved.

121 Industrial Drive now open for public bid starting at \$15,000.00. On a motion by Sandy Zierden, second by Ron Doll, Needs to be turned in, sealed and in writing by next council meeting, motion approved.

Renters inspection will be done by Mark in March or April. Will need to let owners know what week or when.

Steph Boeckers asked what the city can do about speed limit signs on 1st Ave. Where does the limit change, start, and end? A possible electronic sign perhaps. One of each end. Also an electronic sign on the North end of town like the sound end.

On a motion by Ron Doll, seconded by Sandy Zierden and carried the following bills were approved.

Albany Mutual Telephone	124.03
Ann Piotrowski	735.53
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Badger Meter	5.34
Bushman Surveying LLC	6232.50
Gerald Revermann	36.94
Gerald Revermann	30.00
Gopher State One Call	6.75
Hawkins, Inc	561.27
Jovanovich, Kadlec and Athmann P.A.	798.00
JR Nelson	308.16
Melrose Hardware Co.	91.73
Minnesota Department of Health	332.00
Postmaster	72.00
Rahn's Oil & Propane Inc	66.19
RMB Environmental Labs Inc	1019.00
Stacy Funk	368.94
Stacy Funk	52.70
Star Publications LLC	65.28
Stearns County Auditor-Treasurer	1716.00
Stearns County Highway	90.00
Stearns County Recorder	56.00
Thomas Valerius	521.11
Thomas Valerius	615.97
Thomas Valerius	499.22
Thomas Valerius	127.08

Thomas Valerius	52.82
Waste Management	102.25
Wheels Water Service Inc.	2022.75
Xcel Energy	1694.55

On a motion by Ron Doll, seconded by Sandy Zierden and carried the meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

City Clerk
Ann Piotrowski