

The Greenbush City Council's Regular Meeting was held on June 20th, 2023, at 5:30 pm in the Greenbush Community Center.

Council Present in Person: Eric Etherington, Christine Foss, Josh Kern, and Tim Truscinski

Others Present in Person: Crystelle Philipp, Gary Gambill, Ryan Bergeron, Hanna Black and Lynsi Hansen

Public Comments-

Greenbush Audit 2022

City Auditor Crystelle Philipp with Hoffman, Philipp, & Martell, LLC attended the meeting to present the council with the finalized FY2022 audit report. The city received an unmodified opinion. That is the best possible opinion the city can receive. Overall, the city finances are excellent. The net position for FY2022 increased by \$213,000.00. The city had one finding for segregation of duties and internal control over financial reporting issue. Due to limited staffing, segregation of duties is not always possible. The council will review the audit and approve it at the July regular meeting.

Liquor License Approval

M/S/P Josh Kern/Christine Foss to approve the 2023 Liquor License renewals.

<u>Establishment</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Type of License</u>	<u>Expiration Dates</u>
1 Better Liquor	Chad Rud	Off-Sale	June 30th
American Legion	American Legion	Club	June 30th
Golf Course	Golf Association	On-Sale	June 30th
Remedies	Clay Sorteberg	On-Sale, Off-Sale & Sunday	June 30th

All in Favor: Eric Etherington, Christine Foss, Josh Kern, Tim Truscinski

Old City Shop/Stem Center

Mayor Eric Etherington and Council Member Tim Truscinski met with Russ Anderson and Jonathon Prevost on June 19th to discuss the old city shop/stem center space. Both parties came to an agreement that we need a more finalized and clearer agreement as far as when they will be utilizing the center from X Month to X Month and the coverage of the utilities assigned with the building during that time. Russ was going to reach out to the other mentors,

and they plan to meet again as there is more to be discussed. Council member Josh Kern had asked about liability insurance, wondering who provides that. Mayor Etherington shares that the Greenbush Middle River school will need to show proof from the certificate of insurance for that policy, the city of Greenbush will be listed as the additional insured.

Water Tower Playground Equipment

The City of Greenbush has purchased new playground equipment at the Water Tower Park. The equipment will be arriving in the middle of July 2023. The city is responsible for removing the old equipment. Someone had mentioned to council about putting it in the Welcome Park over by the Zipline and swings.

M/S/P Josh Kern/Tim Truscinski approval of relocating the playground equipment from the Water Tower Park to the Welcome Park.

All in Favor: Eric Etherington, Christine Foss, Josh Kern, Tim Truscinski

Fence Ordinance/ Setback

Mayor Etherington was looking at other cities fencing ordinance, and shared how they have certain height requirements for the front, side, and rear property, and whether your property is up next to a public roadway. There have been some disagreements in town between two individuals on the setback requirements on fences. Mayor Etherington mentioned amending our setback ordinance and adding another area for setback requirements for fences. If the fence was agreed upon by both property owners (between properties) then the fence would go directly on the property line. If the individuals are going to share the cost, or if one individual was going to construct it; and the other property owner didn't have an issue with it, then it can be right on the property line. If there is no mutual agreement between the two property owners, then there will be a minimum setback by so many inches off the property line. Council Member Kern mentioned how the homeowner needs to be responsible for getting their property surveyed before a fence is put up. Mayor Etherington and Clerk Hansen will work on a draft for amending the setback and amending Ordinance No. 80 for fencing.

Baseball & Softball Summer Rec Contribution

M/S/P Josh Kern/Christine Foss approval of contributing \$2,500 to be split equally towards the Summer Rec Baseball and Softball Programs. Making them each receive a total of \$1,250.00 from the city.

All in Favor: Eric Etherington, Christine Foss, Josh Kern, Tim Truscinski

Community Center Piano

Mike Korczak would like to donate a piano to the Greenbush Community Center. Korczak asked if the city would be able to pick it up and haul it. Arlene Jenson had requested for a new piano, to be used for Music Jam. Gary Gambill who was attending the meeting, spoke up saying how he tunes pianos, and that he would look at the community center piano.

WSI Certified

Water Safety Instructor (WSI)- with this certification lifeguards can teach swimming lessons. We currently have four lifeguards who are WSI Certified, and two others plan on taking the course in July. You must be 16 years or older to get certified.

M/S/P Josh Kern/Tim Truscinski approval of a \$0.25 an hour increase, for the Lifeguards who have passed and received their WSI Certification.

Welcome Park Food Shed Electric Quotes

The city received two electric quotes for the food shed at the Welcome Park.

M/S/P Tim Truscinski/Christine Foss approval of going with Kern Electric quote of \$2,637.33, to put electric in the food shed at the Welcome Park.

All in Favor: Eric Etherington, Christine Foss, Josh Kern, Tim Truscinski

Comp Hours

Public Works Supervisor Shaun Jevne has requested to cash out 70 hours of his comp time.

Garbage Pickup Change

Jon's Auto Salvage would like to change the dates for garbage pickup before and after the 4th of July. Instead of Thursday, June 29th, they would pick up on Friday June 30th, and instead of Monday July 3rd, they will pick up on Wednesday July 5th. Starting July 10th, the garbage will return to Monday and Thursday pickup.

M/S/P Josh Kern/Tim Truscinski approval of changing the garbage pickup dates to Friday, June 30th and Wednesday, July 5th. Changes will be posted outside the city office, newspaper, flyers and posted on the city page.

All in Favor: Eric Etherington, Josh Kern, Tim Truscinski

Abstained: Christine Foss

6th Street North Park Fence

Public works is checking on post cost for the park.

Community Center Wall

Public works will be taking apart the wall, to see what all needs to be replaced.

Committee Reports

Water- Flushing hydrants this week into next week.

Wastewater- J.R Wastewater is done cleaning the sewer lines, and the pond is discharged.

Parks- Putting up wood boards in the Jaycee Shelter (trying to keep the birds away) and trimming and pulling out weeds at the parks.

Streets- Painting curbs, and spraying round up.

Consent Agenda

M/S/P Josh Kern/Tim Truscinski to approve the consent agenda items with revised bills and minutes (Minutes/Bills-Revised/Receipts).

In favor: Eric Etherington, Christine Foss, Josh Kern, and Tim Truscinski

Upcoming Meetings:

Regular Council Meetings: at 5:30pm, July 18th, August 15th, and September 19th, 2023.

M/S/P Christine Foss/ Josh Kern to adjourn the meeting.

In favor: Eric Etherington, Christine Foss, Josh Kern, and Tim Truscinski

This meeting was adjourned at 6:52 pm.

Eric Etherington

Lynsi Hansen

Mayor

Clerk-Treasurer