

**MINUTES
CITY OF JEFFERSON COMMON COUNCIL
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2025**

The Tuesday, January 7, 2025 meeting of the City of Jefferson Common Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Oppermann. Members' present were: Ald. Schroeder, Ald. Obernberger, Ald. Teeter, Ald. Tully, Ald. Beyer, Ald. Larson, Ald. Mattke, and Ald. Neils. Absent: None. Also present were: City Administrator Freitag, City Attorney Rogers, Chief Richter, Utility Director Clark and City Deputy Clerk/ Treasurer Maahs.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENT:

Plan Commission Mary Truman
Plan Commission Brandon Leeder
Parks, Rec & Forestry Commission..... Marj Kutsche

Ald. Schroeder, seconded by Ald. Mattke, moved to approve the Mayoral Appointments. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

(To be introduced by Ald. Teeter.)

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 96**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin that the consent agenda for January 7, 2024, is hereby adopted.

- A. Vouchers Payable for January Payables in the amount of \$448,506.94, December Manuals in the amount of \$50,040.00. Payroll Summary for December 13, 2024, in the amount of \$297,674.21 and December 27, 2024, in the amount of \$217,333.78.
- B. Council Minutes from December 17, 2024, of the Common Council.
- C. 2026- 911 Joint Powers Agreement.
- D. Licenses as Approved by the Regulatory Committee:
 - 1. Operator's Licenses.
 - 2. Tobacco Licenses- Rock River Wellness, LLC.

Ald. Teeter, seconded by Ald. Obernberger, moved to approve Resolution No. 96. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A "COST-SHARE" AGREEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A SANITARY SEWER LIFT STATION BETWEEN THE CITY OF JEFFERSON AND JEFFERSON COUNTY

(To be introduced by Ald. Schroeder.)

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 97**

WHEREAS, the City of Jefferson and Jefferson County are jointly developing a Food and Beverage Innovation Campus (the Property) within the corporate limits of the City of Jefferson; and

WHEREAS, the Property will be made available to other business concerns to purchase for the purpose of creating business enterprises which will enhance job opportunities and increase tax revenues; and

WHEREAS, to develop the Property, a sanitary sewer lift station will need to be constructed on the Property; and

WHEREAS, the cost of said lift station is estimated to be one million, one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000); and

WHEREAS, the City of Jefferson and Jefferson County have agreed to share the cost of constructing the lift station based upon the land area to be served by said lift station; and

WHEREAS, the County's share of the lift station is agreed to be four-hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000) plus interest as determined by the interest rate of the City's general obligation bond issuance which will finance the lift station improvement; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin that it herein approves the Cost Share Agreement between the City and Jefferson County for construction of a sanitary sewer lift station serving the Jefferson Food and Beverage Innovation Campus and authorizes the City Administrator to execute said Agreement on behalf of the City of Jefferson subject to the review and approval of the City Attorney.

Ald. Schroeder, seconded by Ald. Obernberger moved to approve Resolution No. 97. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE 2025 FIREWORKS CONTRACT FOR JULY 3RD DISPLAY

(To be introduced by Ald. Obernberger.)

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 98**

WHEREAS, the City of Jefferson annually facilitates a July 3rd fireworks display with wide community support;

WHEREAS, The Parks, Recreation and Forestry Director has received a proposal from Chrome Fireworks & Displays to provide a firework display near or around the corner of Pitzner Parkway & Spangler Rd in the City of Jefferson with parking to be made available to the public by the Jefferson County Fair Park;

WHEREAS, the City of Jefferson will be the recipient of a \$14,000 sponsorship from Festival Foods to be the named sponsor of the July 3rd fireworks display;

WHEREAS, this Community display will be free to the public

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Jefferson authorizes the City Administrator to enter into a contract with Chrome Fireworks & Displays for the July 3rd display for a total cost of \$20,000 which requires a 5,000 deposit. The \$14,000 Festival Foods sponsorship will be applied to the cost, and the remaining balance of monies for said fireworks display and costs associated are to be funded by the Civic Promotion Subsidy line-item appropriation.

Ald. Obernberger, seconded by Ald. Larson moved to approve Resolution No. 98. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Mattke, seconded by Ald. Teeter moved to approve to move to Closed Session. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Tully, seconded by Ald. Teeter moved to approve to move to Open Session. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 19.85(1)(C) OF THE WISCONSIN STATE STATUTES TO CONSIDER EMPLOYMENT, PROMOTION, COMPENSATION PERFORMANCE EVALUATION DATA OF ANY PUBLIC EMPLOYEE OVER WHAT THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY HAS JURISDICTION OR EXERCISES RESPONSIBILITY TO CONSIDER AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE HIRE OF A FLEET MANAGER/CHIEF MECHANIC.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF THE FLEET MANAGER/CHIEF MECHANIC POSITION ON THE CITY OF JEFFERSON'S COMPENSATION PLAN

(To be introduced by Ald. Neils.)

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 99**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin that the position of Fleet Manager/Chief Mechanic was created and is hereby classified to Grade 8 of the City's Compensation Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the creation of this position was reviewed and recommended by Cottingham & Butler to be placed at Grade 8 on the City's Compensation Plan and will be effective after adoption of this resolution by the City of Jefferson Common Council.

Ald. Neils, seconded by Ald. Schroeder moved to approve Resolution No. 99. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRE OF A FLEET MANAGER/CHIEF MECHANIC

(To be introduced by Ald. Tully.)

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 100**

WHEREAS, the position of Fleet Manager/Chief Mechanic was created and classified to Grade 8 of the City's Compensation Plan, to be filled when a qualified candidate was identified; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Scherer has been identified and has the recommendation of the Director of Public Works and the Personnel Committee to fill the Position of Fleet Manager/Chief Mechanic; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that Jeff Scherer will be moved to Grade 8, Step 6 - Merit of the Compensation Plan at \$36.00 per hour, effective January 1, 2025, after the approval of this resolution.

Ald. Tully, seconded by Ald. Beyer moved to approve Resolution No. 100. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Mattke, seconded by Ald. Neils moved to adjourn the Jefferson Common Council Meeting at 7:30 p.m., carried unanimously on a voice vote.