

**MINUTES
CITY OF JEFFERSON COMMON COUNCIL
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2025**

The Tuesday, September 2, 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. Larson, Ald. Tully, Ald. Beyer, Ald. Neils, Ald. Obernberger and Ald. Teeter. Absent: Ald. Mattke. Also present were: City Administrator Freitag, City Attorney Rogers, Public Works Director Clark and City Clerk/Deputy Treasurer Copsey.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

Plan Commission.....John Radtke 2026
Tourism Committee.....Gerry Gadke, Lodging Industry Representative 2027
Tourism CommitteeCraig Schacht, Citizen Representative 2027

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mike Soleska, 140 S. Dewey Ave., wanted to apologize about the comments he made about the R&R tracks, he understands that the R&R tracks aren't the cities responsibility. He also thanked the council on vote at the last meeting for Stoppenbach Park. Mr. Soleska also thanked Mr. Freitag for showing him building #1 at 1 Rock River Road and gave ideas for that building to save it as its in good shape.

Public Works Director Clark gave an update on streets projects in the cities.

CONSENT AGENDA

(To be introduced by Ald. Teeter.)

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 40**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin that the consent agenda for September 2, 2025, is hereby adopted.

- a. Vouchers Payable for September Payables in the amount of \$442,021.32. Payroll Summary for August 22, 2025, amount of \$204,084.23.
- b. Council Minutes from August 19, 2025, of the Common Council.
- c. Licenses as Approved by the Regulatory Committee:
 1. Operator's Licenses.
 2. Closure of City Right-of-Way: Parking Lots Behind City Hall, Jefferson Park and Recreation- Gemütlichkeit Family Fun Night- September 3, 2025.

Ald. Teeter, seconded by Ald. Beyer, moved to approve Resolution No. 40. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE SALE OF NORTH INDUSTRIAL PARK PROPERTY

(To be introduced by Ald. Neils.)

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 41**

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin City Council that it herein approves the sale of approximately 0.8 acres of North Industrial Park Property per the “offer to purchase” contract submitted by SKLG Investment, LLC.

Ald. Neils, seconded by Ald. moved to approve Resolution No. 41. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXEPTION FROM COUNTY LIBRARY TAX

(To be introduced by Ald. Larson.)

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 42**

WHEREAS the Jefferson County Board has established a county library service and levies a county library tax as authorized under Section 43.57 (3) of the Wisconsin Statutes, and

WHEREAS Section 43.64 (2) (b) of the Wisconsin Statutes provides that a village or city is exempt from the county library tax if it levies a tax for public library service and appropriates and expends for a library fund as defined by s.43.52 (1) during the year for which the county tax levy is made a sum at least equal to the county library tax rate in the prior year multiplied by the equalized valuation of the property in the city or village for the current year, and

WHEREAS, the City of Jefferson will, in 2026, appropriate and expend an amount in excess of that calculated above,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Jefferson hereby requests of the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors that the City of Jefferson be exempted from the payment of any tax for the support of the County Library Service as provided in Section 43.64 (2).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution will be forwarded by the city clerk to the following parties:

ADMINISTRATOR
Jefferson County Library Council
Dwight Foster Public Library
209 Merchants Avenue
Fort Atkinson, WI 53538

COUNTY CLERK
311 S. Center Street, Room 109
Jefferson, WI 53549

Ald. Larson, seconded by Ald. Neils moved to approve Resolution No. 42. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REQUEST TO VACATE THE ALLEY BETWEEN W. MILWAUKEE STREET AND W. RYDER STREET

(To be introduced by Ald. Schroeder.)

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 43**

WHEREAS, the Common Council for the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 66.1002(4) has been granted the authority to discontinue and vacate a public right-of-way if it is in the public interest to do so; and

WHEREAS, all owners, whose property abuts a certain unpaved alley, have requested the City of Jefferson to discontinue and vacate said unpaved alley; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned unpaved alley lies within the legal boundaries of the City of Jefferson and its location is set forth on a map that is attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and incorporated by reference; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest that said unpaved alley be discontinued and vacated; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on this matter was held on August 26, 2025 and no objections were made at that time.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin:

That the unpaved alley that is set forth on Exhibit “A” is hereby vacated and discontinued pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 66.1003(3).

Ald. Schroeder, seconded by Ald. Larson moved to approve Resolution No. 43. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 19.85(1)(E)(C) OF THE WISCONSIN STATE STATUTES TO DISCUSS PURCHASE OF PUBLIC PROPERTIES, THE INVESTING OF PUBLIC FUNDS, OR CONDUCTION OTHER SPECIFIED PUBLIC BUSINESS, WHENEVER COMPETITIVE OR BARGAINING REASONS REQUIRE A CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS INDUSTRIAL BUSINESS PROSPECTS, AND TO CONSIDER EMPLOYMENT, PROMOTION, COMPENSATION PERFORMANCE EVALUATION DATA OF ANY PUBLIC EMPLOYEE OVER WHAT THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY HAS JURISDICTION OR EXERCISES RESPONSIBILITY TO CONSIDER EMPLOYMENT OF A FULL-TIME PARKS, RECREATION, AND FORESTRY CREWPERSON.

Ald. Tully, seconded by Ald. Teeter moved to go into closed session. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Schroeder, seconded by Ald. Larson moved to go into open session. On call of the roll, motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRE OF A FULL-TIME PARKS, RECREATION, AND FORESTRY CREWPERSON

(To be introduced by Ald. Tully.)

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 44**

WHEREAS, a vacancy was created within the Parks Department due to an internal transfer of a crewperson; and

WHEREAS, the Department publicly posted the vacant position in accordance with City hiring procedures; and

WHEREAS, three qualified candidates were interviewed for the position following the posting; and

WHEREAS, after careful consideration of the applicants, the Parks and Recreation Director recommends the hiring of Mr. Kyle Kube for the Parks Crewperson position;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin that it herein approves and authorizes the hiring of Kyle Kube, as the new Parks Crewperson subject to the following:

- Mr Kube is to be placed at Step 1, Grade 4 of the Jefferson Compensation Plan;
- Mr Kube will need to successfully obtain all required licenses within this first 6 months of employment
- Mr Kube will be placed at 4 years of service on the Jefferson Paid-Time-Off (PTO) Schedule; and
- He will begin his new duties as Parks Crewperson on or before September 15, 2025.

Ald. Tully, seconded by Ald. Neils moved to approve Resolution No. 44. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Larson, seconded by Ald. Beyer moved to adjourn the Jefferson Common Council Meeting at 7:33 p.m., carried unanimously on a voice vote.