

**CITY OF ANTIGO
COMMON COUNCIL
APRIL 09, 2025**

Common Council of the City of Antigo met in Regular Session on the above date at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Mayor Thomas C. Bauknecht presiding.

ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Barb Rebstock	Ward 1	Present	
Bill Brandt	Ward 2	Present	
Tim Kassis	Ward 3	Remote	
Mary Hayes	Ward 4	Present	
Mark Edwards	Ward 5	Present	
Joel Wagner	Ward 6	Present	
Glenn Bugni	Ward 7	Present	
Reinhardt Balcerzak	Ward 8	Present	
Scott Henricks	Ward 9	Present	
Thomas C. Bauknecht	Mayor	Present	

Department Managers in attendance were: Karin Derauf, City Administrator; Kaye Matucheski, Clerk-Treasurer/Finance Director; Daniel Duley, Police Chief; Kirk Packard, Street Commissioner; Corey Smith, Fire Chief; Elizabeth McCarthy, Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator; Charley Brinkmeier, Land Surveyor/Project Manager; and Sarah Repp, Parks, Recreation, and Cemetery Director.

Others in attendance were: Michael Winter, City Attorney; Jeanne Jensen, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer; Chelsea Deloria, Antigo Daily Journal; Tommy Horswill, Infrastructure Alternatives, Inc.; Angie Close, Langlade County Economic Development Corporation; Julie Brandt; and Roy Dieck.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve Minutes from the March 12, 2025 Meeting

Aldersperson Brandt moved, Aldersperson Bugni seconded, to approve the March 12, 2025 Council Minutes.

RESULT:	CARRIED - VOICE VOTE
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CITIZEN COMMENT

1. Subjects on the Current Agenda
2. Subjects Not on the Current Agenda

Mayor Bauknecht recognized Aldersperson Brandt for his long service to the City presenting him a plaque.

Mayor Bauknecht stated the City would be remiss if we did not recognize the long term contribution to the City of Antigo of approximately 45 years maybe more. He was the City's longest tenure mayor. He stated they have been through a lot but there was never a doubt about Bill Brandt's unquestioned loyalty to Antigo. The City's interests always came first. He commented he has worked alongside Bill for 16 years and has learned plenty, this honor is long overdue. On behalf of the City of Antigo he presented Bill Brandt with a plaque of appreciation for outstanding dedication, unwavering support, and exceptional contributions to the City of Antigo.

UPDATE ON CITIZEN'S REFERRALS FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL AGENDA

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Bauknecht pulled Resolution No. 23-25 from the Consent Agenda.

RESULT:	CARRIED [9 TO 1] as amended with Resolution No. 23-25 pulled
MOVER:	Reinhardt Balcerzak, Ward 8
SECONDER:	Scott Henricks, Ward 9
AYES:	Rebstock, Brandt, Kassis, Edwards, Wagner, Bugni, Balcerzak, Henricks
NAYS:	Mary Hayes

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 22-25: Purchase of Lifiable Trash Cans for the Fifth Avenue Corridor Using No More Than \$7,600 from Alleys and Boulevards

WHEREAS, the local trash collection providers have updated their procedures for trash collection requiring that any receptacles requiring service need to be emptied using their automated system; and,

WHEREAS, the current trash receptacles along the Fifth Avenue corridor cannot be emptied using an automated system, so they can no longer be serviced by a local trash collection provider as they have in the past; and,

WHEREAS, the proposal is to remove the existing trash receptacles along the Fifth Avenue corridor and replace them with receptacles that can be serviced using the automated system; and,

WHEREAS, new trash receptacles will be purchased using approximately \$7,600 from Alley and Boulevard operating funds; and,

WHEREAS, the trash receptacles that are removed will be re-purposed in parks and/or cemeteries.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE COMMON COUNCIL, City of Antigo that the City shall use no more than \$7,600 from Alley and Boulevard funds to purchase liftable trash cans for the Fifth Avenue corridor.

Resolution No. 23-25: Antigo Visual Arts Funding Request for Marathon Express Mart Mural Proposal in the Amount of \$541.66 was moved to PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA.

CONSENT AGENDA COMMUNICATIONS

Department Manager Reports

CONSENT AGENDA PROCLAMATION

1. Proclamation Declaring April as Fair Housing Month in the City of Antigo

PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No. 23-25: Antigo Visual Arts Funding Request for Marathon Express Mart Mural Proposal in the Amount of \$541.66

WHEREAS, Antigo Visual Arts (AVA) has approached the City to request funding for a mural project to be located on the south side of the Marathon Express Mart building; and,

WHEREAS, the City has previously assisted in funding mural projects with AVA through a grant program to reimburse 75% of the materials cost and this project would also utilize those grant funds; and,

WHEREAS, the project material costs are \$722.21 so the City's grant disbursement would be \$541.66 after receipts are submitted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE COMMON COUNCIL, City of Antigo, to approve reimbursement of up to ~~\$541.66~~ \$600.00 to AVA after the completion of a mural on the south side of the Marathon Express Mart building and submittal of receipts.

Aldersperson Bugni moved, Aldersperson Brandt seconded, to approve Resolution No. 23-25 with amendment to change the dollar amount from \$541.66 to up to \$600.00.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Glenn Bugni, Ward 7
SECONDER:	Bill Brandt, Ward 2
AYES:	Hayes, Rebstock, Brandt, Kassis, Edwards, Wagner, Bugni, Balcerzak, Henricks

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 24-25: Rescind a Portion of Resolution #82-24 and Require Common Council Approval for Event/Street Closure Permits

WHEREAS, the current process for Street Closure Permit approvals was updated, via Resolution #82-24 on September 11, 2024, to allow for individual department heads to approve street closures if the closure met required criteria i.e. insurance requirements, appropriate completion and filing of request, advance notice to meet needs, and payment of permit; and,

WHEREAS, upon review by City Attorney, Michael Winter, and concerns regarding litigation he is recommending that Street Closure Permit Requests be approved or denied at the Common Council Level.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE COMMON COUNCIL, City of Antigo, to rescind a portion of Resolution #82-24 previously approved on September 11, 2024, and require ~~Event~~/Street Closure Permit Requests be approved or denied at the Common Council level.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, approval of shelter/facility/trailer requests granted to Department Managers or Authorized Designee with Resolution #82-24 shall still be allowed.

Sarah Repp, Parks, Recreation, and Cemetery Director, noted this should be for street closures only and not events.

Aldersperson Wagner moved, Aldersperson Brandt seconded, to approve Resolution No. 24-25 with amendment to remove "Event" and list only Street Closure permit requests to be approved or denied at the Common Council level.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Joel Wagner, Ward 6
SECONDER:	Bill Brandt, Ward 2
AYES:	Hayes, Rebstock, Brandt, Kassis, Edwards, Wagner, Bugni, Balcerzak, Henricks

Resolution No. 25-25: Approval to Apply for Urban Forestry Catastrophic Storm Grant

WHEREAS, the applicant, City of Antigo, is interested in obtaining a cost-share grant from Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of funding urban and community forestry projects or urban forestry catastrophic storm projects specified in s. 23.097(1g) and (1r), Wis. Stats.;

WHEREAS, the applicant attests to the validity and veracity of the statements and representations contained in the grant application; and

WHEREAS, the applicant requests a grant agreement to carry out the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the applicant, City of Antigo, will comply with all local, state, and federal rules, regulations and ordinances relating to this project and the cost-share agreement;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the applicant will budget a sum sufficient to fully and satisfactorily complete the project and hereby authorizes and empowers the City of Antigo Park, Recreation and Cemetery Director, its official or employee, to act on its behalf to:

1. Sign and submit the grant application
2. Sign a grant agreement between applicant and the DNR
3. Submit interim and/or final reports to the DNR to satisfy the grant agreement
4. Submit grant reimbursement request to the DNR
5. Sign and submit other required documentation

Mayor Bauknecht stated this was approved at the Finance, Personnel, and Legislative Committee meeting.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Scott Henricks, Ward 9
SECONDER:	Joel Wagner, Ward 6
AYES:	Hayes, Rebstock, Brandt, Kassis, Edwards, Wagner, Bugni, Balcerzak, Henricks

Resolution No. 26-25: Bonding in the Amount of \$1,000,000 for the Tenth Avenue Water Projects

WHEREAS, Tenth Avenue west of Highway 45 is scheduled to be redone but before then, there are several water projects in the area that need to be completed; and,

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee has already approved the work contingent on a funding source; and,

WHEREAS, existing fund balance in the Water Enterprise Fund is not sufficient so bonding will be required; and,

WHEREAS, the payments for this debt service will be derived from the revenue of the Water Fund so it will not affect the tax levy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE COMMON COUNCIL, City of Antigo, to authorize the Clerk-Treasurer/Finance Director to move forward with bonding \$1,000,000 to complete this work.

Aldersperson Kassis noted the City will try to go for a grant which may help fund this project in the future.

Aldersperson Brandt noted there is no grant funding guaranteed at this point.

Aldersperson Kassis stated the City needs to get going on this because the project needs to be done this year in conjunction with other projects.

RESULT:	CARRIED [9 TO 1]
MOVER:	Glenn Bugni, Ward 7
SECONDER:	Barb Rebstock, Ward 1
AYES:	Hayes, Rebstock, Kassis, Edwards, Wagner, Bugni, Balcerzak, Henricks
NAYS:	Bill Brandt

Resolution No. 27-25: Accepting \$300 Donation from Parson's of Antigo for the Purchase of Fire Safety Books

WHEREAS, the City of Antigo Fire Department was approached by Community Safety Net, Inc. to provide fire safety books for distribution to area children; and,

WHEREAS, Parson's of Antigo was approached by Community Safety Net, Inc. to donate towards the books; and,

WHEREAS, Parson's of Antigo conducts a monthly oil change fundraiser and decided to use the February proceeds towards our project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY the COMMON COUNCIL, City of Antigo, to accept the donation from Parson's of Antigo for a total of \$300 to help support creation of the fire safety books.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Glenn Bugni, Ward 7
SECONDER:	Mary Hayes, Ward 4
AYES:	Hayes, Rebstock, Brandt, Kassis, Edwards, Wagner, Bugni, Balcerzak, Henricks

Resolution No. 28-25: Approve Bid from Kautza Septic Service, Inc. for Biosolids (Sludge) Hauling from the Wastewater Treatment Plant at the Price of \$0.032 per Gallon for a Three-Year Contract

WHEREAS, the City of Antigo solicited bids for biosolids (sludge) hauling from the Wastewater Treatment Plant, with individual price per gallon as well as pricing for a long-term three-year contract pricing; and,

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee considered the bids at the April 9, 2025 Meeting; and,

WHEREAS, the Committee recommends awarding the bid to Kautza Septic Service, Inc., in the amount of \$0.032 per gallon for a three-year contract; and,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED \,BY THE COMMON COUNCIL, City of Antigo, to award the bid to Kautza Septic Service at the price of \$0.032 per gallon for a three-year contract for biosolids (sludge) hauling from the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Mayor Bauknecht stated this was approved at the Public Works Committee meeting.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Barb Rebstock, Ward 1
SECONDER:	Joel Wagner, Ward 6
AYES:	Hayes, Rebstock, Brandt, Kassis, Edwards, Wagner, Bugni, Balcerzak, Henricks

LICENSES

Approve Agent Change for Walgreen Co. (dba Walgreens #06153 at 2204 Neva Road) "Class A" Beer/Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor and Cigarette Licenses ~ New Agent Lisa M. Printz

Aldersperson Brandt moved, Aldersperson Rebstock seconded, to approve Lisa M. Printz as the new agent for Walgreen Co.

RESULT:	CARRIED - VOICE VOTE
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ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 1378B: Term Limits for Mayor and Alderspersons Retroactive to January 1, 2016 as Passed by Referendum at the April 1, 2025 Election (No Action Required by Council)

Mayor Bauknecht noted no action is required by Council but this Ordinance must be read into the record.

Kaye Matucheski, Clerk-Treasurer/Finance Director, noted the Ordinance was published today so is effective.

MOTIONS

1. Street Closure Request for Friday, May 23, Friday, July 4, and Friday, August 29 - Downtown Flea Market

Aldersperson Bugni moved, Aldersperson Henricks seconded, to approve the street closure requests for the Downtown Flea Market on May 23, July 4, and August 29, 2025.

RESULT:	CARRIED - VOICE VOTE
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2. Street Closure Request for Saturday, August 16, 2025 - Badgerland Classic Custom Car Show

Aldersperson Henricks moved, Aldersperson Wagner seconded, to approve the Street Closure request for August 16, 2025 for Badgerland Classic Custom Car Show.

RESULT:	CARRIED - VOICE VOTE
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MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

PAYMENT OF BILLS

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Barb Rebstock, Ward 1
SECONDER:	Joel Wagner, Ward 6
AYES:	Hayes, Rebstock, Brandt, Kassis, Edwards, Wagner, Bugni, Balcerzak, Henricks

1. Direct Deposits for March 14 and March 28, 2025 Payrolls
2. BMO Bank Accounts Payable Check Nos. 83640-83848
3. Self-Funding Health Insurance Check Nos. 2163-2165

COMMITTEE REFERRALS

Aldersperson Brandt referred to the Finance, Personnel, and Legislative Committee the possibility of contracting with Mark Desotell to work on grant funding.

Alderson Kassiss referred to the Public Works Committee looking at a five year project plan with possible grants that can be applied for.

CLOSED SESSION

1. Closed Session: Pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(g), Wisconsin Statutes, and Upon Proper Motion, Council will Convene into Closed Session to Confer with Legal Counsel for the City of Antigo to Render Oral or Written Advice Concerning Strategy to be Adopted with Respect to Litigation (Counterclaim) in which it is or is likely to Become Involved. Upon Completion of Discussion in Closed Session, Council will Reconvene into Open Session to Act on Matters Discussed, If Necessary, and Proceed with the Regular Order of Business

Alderson Bugni moved, Alderson Henricks seconded, that the Common Council convene into closed session at 6:18 p.m. in accordance with Section 19.85 (1)(g), Wisconsin Statutes, to confer with legal counsel for the City of Antigo to render oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted with respect to litigation (counterclaim) in which it is or is likely to become involved.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Glenn Bugni, Ward 7
SECONDER:	Scott Henricks, Ward 9
AYES:	Hayes, Rebstock, Brandt, Kassiss, Edwards, Wagner, Bugni, Balcerzak, Henricks

Upon completion of discussion in closed session, a motion was made and carried to reconvene into open session at 6:27 p.m. to act on matters discussed, if necessary, and to proceed with the regular order of business.

No action was taken in open session on the closed session discussion.

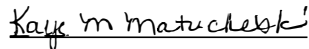
ADJOURNMENT

Alderson Brandt moved, Alderson Bugni seconded, to adjourn at 6:28 p.m. Carried.

Approved:


Thomas C. Bauknecht, Mayor

Attest:



Clerk - Treasurer