



City of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin
Operations Committee Meeting Minutes
205 S. Lincoln Ave; Council Chambers
Monday, February 3, 2025
6:45 PM

1) Call to Order – Roll Call

The meeting of the Operations Committee was called to order at 6:46 p.m. by Chairperson Bonnett. Present: Ken Anderson, Joseph Bonnett, Jennifer Hiley, Cris Olson, Andrew Perkins, Nancy Wild, Ellwood Lee Flaherty, 7. Absent: , 0. Others in attendance: Nathan Thiel (City Administrator), Todd Janssen (Director of Engineering), Larry Konopacki (City Attorney), Dan Mulhern (Public Works Supervisor), John Neumann (Parks & Forestry Supervisor), Jeremy Klug (Director of Utilities), John Kreuziger (Police Chief), Joe Lehner (Water Utility Supervisor), Steve Ihm (Hometown Plan Committee).

a) Approval of the January 20, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Jennifer Hiley, second by Andrew Perkins, to approve. Motion carried by acclamation.

2) Discussion & Possible Action

a) **RESOLUTION NO. 09-2025** - A Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Equipment, Construction, and Installation of Bike Repair Stations

Introduced by Thiel followed by discussion. Motion by Cris Olson, second by Ellwood Lee Flaherty, to approve. Motion carried by acclamation.

b) Regarding a Resolution Awarding the Contract for the Beaver and Front Street Reconstruction Project

Introduced by Janssen, followed by discussion. Motion by Nancy Wild, second by Cris Olson, to approve. Motion carried by acclamation.

c) Discussion only regarding on-street winter parking policy and alternatives

Introduced by Bonnett, followed by discussion. Olson expressed his support of the current policy of permitted parking only. Anderson noted that he supports the current policy other than permits being denied based upon driveway availability; alternatively, he's in support of an alternate side parking policy. Flaherty expressed concerns with the current policy regarding the basis for permit denials and the equitableness of permit fees for those with fixed incomes. Kreuziger explained what typically constitutes a permit denial and noted that there have been 300+ on street parking permits approved in 2025. Janssen noted switching to an alternate side parking policy would have its growing pains with the public education of such, that it would come with a significant cost for new signage, and that there would be a decrease in plowing efficiency with having to come back through these areas a second time. The committee consensus was to maintain the current policy and ordinance of restricting night parking during the snow removal season to permitted vehicles only.

- d) Discussion only regarding the appropriate use of city email (requested by Alderperson Wild)

Introduced by Bonnett followed by discussion. Wild expressed concern over an email that was recently sent by Administrator Thiel notifying the council of his private involvement with a church group event at the Watermark, feeling that any communication service paid for by the city should be reserved for city business only and should not be used for private endeavors, and this should apply to every employee of the city. No further action is required by the Operations Committee on this item.

- e) Regarding possible items for future agendas

No items for future agendas were noted.

3) Adjourn

Motion by Nancy Wild, second by Ken Anderson, to adjourn. Motion carried by acclamation. Chairperson Bonnett adjourned the meeting at 7:27 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicky Orth
Deputy City Clerk