

Parking Utility Commission

Mayor Knaack called a meeting of the Menomonie Parking Utility to order in the Council Chambers at 9:00 a.m. on April 29, 2025.

Members Present: Prange, Lisa Frank, Schoenborn, Solberg, Knaack, and Hollister.

Others Present: Atkinson, Wildner, Shipley, Schofield, Whitacre, Meriwether, Dave Frank, Kalosis (Stout), and Pederson (Stout).

Hollister motioned to approve the January 21, 2024 minutes with a second by Prange. Motion carried.

Discussion was had regarding the dates for summer free parking and areas that meters would be bagged. A motion was made by Solberg to accept the start date of May 19, 2025 and end date of August 27, 2025 for free parking, seconded by Lisa Frank. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Prange to give City Administration authority to make adjustments to the areas of free parking during Stout's construction project, seconded by Solberg. Motion carried.

UW Stout has requested the closure of 9th Avenue E. and rental of parking spaces during their construction on the Heritage Hall Renovation project. Parking spaces would be provided to UW Stout from August 1, 2025 through January 31, 2026 with a total payment to the City of \$4,002. A motion was made by Prange to close 9th Avenue E. and allow for the parking space rental during this construction phase, seconded by Solberg. Motion carried.

There was conversation regarding the coin parking meters. Meriwether indicated there has been less maintenance using the coin meters, Schoenborn said she has had some complaints regarding the coin meters and not enough information provided prior to the change. Discussion was had regarding adding signage to the new Lakebank Trail, we now have 119 overnight parking spaces, and the new parking permits are printed with all valid parking areas listed on the back.

Mayor provided updates on upcoming events and volunteer opportunities.

The next meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Prange motioned to adjourn with a second by Lisa Frank. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric M. Atkinson

Recording Secretary