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**Common Council**  
**City of Tomahawk, City Council Chambers**  
**23 N 2<sup>nd</sup> St, Tomahawk, WI 54487**  
**May 2, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.**

**Call to Order:** Mayor Taskay called the Common Council to order at 5:30 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Council members present were Mickey Loka, Ed Nystrom, Jeff Kahle, Will Garkse, Dale Ernst, Mike Loka, Tadd Wegener, and Steven “Ding” Bartz. Absent was Patricia Haskin.

Staff members present were Clerk/Treasurer Amanda L. Bartz, Street Leadsperson Nick Rosenmeier, Police Chief Al Elvins, and Library Director Heidi O’Hare.

Public in attendance was Jenifer Turkowitz from Tomahawk Main Street, Zach Gardner, Rick Grube, Lynn Grube, Trish Beatty, and Greg Beatty.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** The Mayor led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public comments:** There were no public comments.

**Minutes:** MIKE LOKA MOVED to approve the April 18, 2023 minutes and ERNST seconded. The VOTE was unanimous.

**Approval of Checks:** MICKEY LOKA MOVED to approve General Fund checks 113966 – 114044 and 7 electronic payments in the amount of \$168,329.80, payroll check 52831 – 52840 and direct deposit checks V12229 – V12268 in the amount of \$52,617.15 and Solid Waste Fund checks 1906 – 1909 in the amount of \$15,843.64. MIKE LOKA seconded. The VOTE was unanimous.

**Reports**

1. **Committee Reports**

a. **Planning and Zoning Commission** – The Planning and Zoning Commission has not met since the last Council meeting.

b. **Board of Public Works** – ROSENMEIER gave a report of the Board of Public Works meeting on April 25, 2023. He stated that ATV map was updated and routed on main roads and not in residential areas. ROSENMEIER also reported that the culvert on Lincoln Av is collapsing, the Board is adding it to 6<sup>th</sup> Street Reconstruction Project.

c. **Health and Safety Committee** – GARSKE stated that the Health and Safety Committee met on April 26, 2023 and the items discussed are on the Council’s agenda.

d. **Finance Committee** – MICKEY LOKA met in closed session regarding a proposed cell tower lease, and letters have been sent to Senator Felzkowski requesting a meeting with City officials.

e. **Park and Recreation Committee** – KAHLE stated that the Park and Recreation Committee has not met since the last Council meeting.

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2 f. Commission on Aging – MIKE LOKA stated that the Commission on Aging will meet at the end of  
3 June.

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5 g. Library Board – O’HARE reported that over the next couple of months the wonder books,  
6 received as a donation, wonder book, will be available. She explained that a child can press play  
7 and it can be read to them. She stated that each book cost \$50-\$60.

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9 O’HARE stated that the weekly school year program is finishing up and they will be starting the  
10 summer programing the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in June.

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12 O’HARE highlighted another program they have will be a part of called “Check out Wisconsin  
13 State Parks”. She stated that the Library will have a day pass available to check out and they will  
14 also be highlighting City Parks.

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16 2. Mayor’s Report – Mayor TASKAY stated that he has responded to emails text messages and that he  
17 attended the Eagle Scout program at the VFW.

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19 3. Written Report from Tomahawk Main Street, Inc. – Jennifer Turkowicz, Main Street, Inc. Director,  
20 Stated that the Wine Walk is next week and they are working on the Car show and Farmer’s Market.  
21 She also reported that volunteers are working on getting benches out.

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23 **Licenses**

24 1. Operator Licenses: Clerk BARTZ noted that there was a temporary license that was added, Denise  
25 Zietlow, that is needed for approval to participate in the Wine Walk.

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27 GARSKE MOVED to approve the operators with addition of Denise Zietlow and MIKE LOKA seconded.  
28 The VOTE was unanimous.

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30 2. Class B Combination – TB’s Bar LLC, Castaways, 1315 S Tomahawk Av – GARSKE MOVED to approve  
31 the License original Class B License and BARTZ seconded. The VOTE was unanimous.

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33 3. Tomahawk Main Street Farmers Market, Tuesdays June through October 2023 – GARSKE MOVED to  
34 approve the permit and MIKE LOKA seconded. The VOTE was unanimous.

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36 4. Music on the River, Wednesdays June 21<sup>st</sup> through July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – MICKEY LOKA MOVED to  
37 approve the permit and ERNST seconded. The VOTE was unanimous.

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39 5. Tomahawk Main Street Fall Ride – GARSKE MOVED to approve the permit and to waive open  
40 intoxicants in the event area on Friday from 2:00 p.m. to Midnight (sales to end at 11:30 p.m.) and  
41 on Saturday from Noon to Midnight (sales to end at 11:30 p.m.) WEGENER seconded. The VOTE was  
42 unanimous.

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44 6. Tomahawk Main Street Thunder Parade, September 15, 2023 – MIKE LOKA MOVED to approve the  
45 permit and GARSKE seconded. The VOTE was unanimous.

1 7. Tomahawk Main Street Octoberfest, October 7, 2023 – GARSKE MOVED to approve the permit and  
2 waive open intoxicants from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the event area and NYSTROM seconded. The  
3 VOTE was unanimous.  
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6 **Ordinances**

7 1. An Ordinance to Amend the City of Tomahawk Municipal Code by Amending Chapter 94 Traffic and  
8 Vehicles, Article VII All-Terrain and Utility Terrain Vehicles  
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10 GARSKE MOVED to introduce the proposed ordinance and MIKE LOKA seconded.  
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12 Clerk BARTZ explained the changes to the routes that came out to the Board of Public Works  
13 meetings. She stated that the intent was to take the official routes out of the residential areas.  
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15 BARTZ asked who would be responsible for the signs and changes. Discussion followed regarding  
16 clubs and signs.  
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18 The VOTE was unanimous.  
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20 **Other Business:**

21 1. 2023-2024 Boards, Committee, and Commission Seat Appointment – Business Improvement Board  
22 (BID) *This is appointment by the mayor subject to confirmation by the Council.*  
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24 Clerk BARTZ explained that the Main Street is recommending appointment of Tyler Stevenson and  
25 Robert “Augie” Augustine to the BID Board.  
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27 MICKEY LOKA moved to approve and MIKE LOKA seconded. The VOTE was unanimous.  
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29 BARTZ stated that he got to accompany Amanda to a meeting for Washington Square Park and  
30 complimented her on the professional documents that she prepared, everything was laid out and  
31 well done.  
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33 **Next meeting:** The next regular meeting of the Common Council is scheduled for June 6, 2023 at City  
34 Hall, Council Chambers at 5:30 p.m.  
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36 **Adjourn:** NYSTROM MOVED to adjourn the meeting of Common Council and GARSKE seconded. The  
37 VOTE was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m.  
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39 Approved: June 6, 2023 \_\_\_\_\_ Signature on File \_\_\_\_\_  
40 Steven E. Taskay, Mayor  
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42 Attest: Signature on File \_\_\_\_\_  
43 Amanda L. Bartz, CMC, Clerk/Treasurer  
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