

**CITY OF HAYWARD
SAWYER COUNTY, WISCONSIN
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, January 13, 2025
MINUTES**

Mayor Gillis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Council Present: Mayor Gillis, Ald. Hand, Ald. Herrmann, Ald. Hill, Ald. Hofer, Ald. Miller, Ald. Swan, Ald. Williamson
Council Absent: Ald. Kreyer
Others Present: Attorney Kelsey, Director McCue, Chief Savitski, Chief Herrmann, Clerk Poppe, Samantha LaSalle, Stacey Hessel, Steve Longtine, Ann Larson, Chris Ruckdaschel, Robyn Tenner, Rich Jackson

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Hayward Area Chamber of Commerce – 2025 Musky Festival Event Requests

Ald. Miller made a motion, seconded by Ald. Williamson, to approve the requests for the 2025 Musky Festival Event, as submitted by Chris Ruckdaschel on behalf of the Hayward Area Chamber of Commerce in a letter dated January 2025, to include street closures, sidewalk sales, parking restrictions, chalk artist, parade route, and the hanging of a banner across Main Street from Saturday, May 24, 2025 through Monday, June 23, 2025. Motion carried.

Hayward Area Chamber of Commerce – 2025 Fall Festival Event Requests

Ald. Hofer made a motion, seconded by Ald. Hill, to approve the requests for the 2025 Fall Festival Event, as submitted by Chris Ruckdaschel on behalf of the Hayward Area Chamber of Commerce in a letter dated January 2025, to include street closures, sidewalk sales, and the hanging of a banner across Main Street from September 7th through September 22nd, 2025. Motion carried.

Hayward Area Chamber of Commerce – Request to place an art installation at Shue’s Pond Celebrating the History of Fishing

Ald. Miller made a motion, seconded by Ald. Swan, to approve the requests, as presented by Chris Ruckdaschel on behalf of the Hayward Area Chamber of Commerce, to install an art installation at Shue’s Pond celebrating the history of fishing; provided the art installation meets safety standards for playground equipment and the Chamber works with Director McCue throughout the project. Motion carried.

Samantha LaSalle – 2025 Sawyer County Wood Chop Event Requests

Ald. Hofer made a motion, seconded by Ald. Williamson, to approve the requests for the 2025 Sawyer County Wood Chop Event, as presented by Samantha LaSalle, to include the closure of the municipal parking lot by the fire hall on Friday, June 20th and Saturday, June 21st, 2025. Motion carried.

Samantha LaSalle – 2025 Lumberjack World Championships – Confirmation of Date Changes

Ald. Hofer made a motion, seconded by Ald. Miller, to approve the requests for the 2025 Lumberjack World Championships to be held July 16-19, 2025, as presented by Samantha LaSalle, to include entertainment on Wednesday night and the hanging of a banner across Main Street from July 4th through July 21st, 2025. Motion carried.

Longtine Trust & J Anderson Enterprises LLC – Conditional use application within 1½ miles of the city limits:

Ald. Hand made a motion, seconded by Ald. Williamson to approve the conditional use application within 1½ miles of the city limits submitted by Longtine Trust & J Anderson Enterprises LLC to rezone approximately 1299 square feet of Tax ID 12319 to Commercial One and to rezone approximately 1299 square feet of Tax ID 1572 to Residential One to allow lot lines to be changed for land swap. Motion carried.

William & Ashley Strabel – Conditional use application within 1½ miles of the city limits:

Ald. Miller made a motion, seconded by Ald. Hofer to approve the conditional use application within 1½ miles of the city limits submitted by William & Ashley Strabel, 9721 N Hwy 27, to rezone Tax ID 13278 from Residential One to Commercial One to have an equipment repair business. Motion carried.

Warm Lakes LLC – application for a Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Class C Wine License for the period of February 1, 2025, to June 30, 2025, 10526 Dakota Avenue, Alison Springer, agent

Ald. Miller made a motion, seconded by Ald. Williamson to approve the issuance of a Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Class C Wine License to Warm Lakes LLC, Alison Springer, agent at 10526 Dakota Avenue for the period of February 1, 2025, to June 30, 2025. Motion carried.

Sawyer County 911 Emergency System – 2025 Joint Powers Agreement

Ald. Hofer made a motion, seconded by Ald. Swan to approve entering into the 2025 Joint Powers Agreement with Sawyer County for the 911 Emergency System. Motion carried.

Jennifer Kiesl – Donation of a 0.02 Acre Parcel of Property (Tax ID: 38705) off Railroad Street to the City of Hayward

Ald. Swan made a motion, seconded by Ald. Williamson to accept the donation of a 0.02-acre parcel of property (Tax ID 38705) off Railroad Street from Jennifer Kiesl, Stephani Binder & Nancy Barchard. Motion carried.

Northern Lakes Cooperative – Donation of a 0.036 Acre Parcel of Property (Tax ID: 44746) at the intersection of Hwy 63 & Minnesota Avenue to the City of Hayward

Ald. Hofer made a motion, seconded by Ald. Hand to accept the donation of a 0.036-acre parcel of property (Tax ID 44746) at the intersection of Hwy 63 & Minnesota Avenue from the Northern Lakes Cooperative. Motion carried.

Ann Larson – Weiss Community Library: Year End Library Status Update and Report

Ann Larson, Director at the Weiss Community Library, addressed the mayor and council regarding the 2024 library statistics, ongoing community programs, and building repair & maintenance needs. No action taken.

2025 AARP Community Challenge Grant Program – grant application with the Terry Peterson Fishing Foundation for Shue’s Pond

Ald. Hand addressed the mayor and council regarding the 2025 AARP Community Challenge Grant Program. Ald. Hand suggested the city apply on behalf of the Terry Peterson Fishing Foundation for improvements to Shue’s Pond. The mayor directed Ald. Hand to work with Stacey Hessel on the submission of a grant application. No other action taken.

Fuel Costs at City of Hayward Gas Stations

Ald. Miller addressed the mayor and council regarding the price of fuel/gas at gas stations in the City of Hayward – stating that the price of fuel/gas is always higher in the City of Hayward than in the surrounding area. No action taken.

Ald. Williamson made a motion, seconded by Ald. Miller to approve the following:

1. **Minutes:** Public Works of 12/09; Personnel of 12/09; Finance of 12/09; Regular Council of 12/09; Planning Commission of 12/12
2. **From Public Works of 01/13:**
 - A. The Professional Services Agreement provided by MSA for 2025 (GIS) Experience Builder Mapping Migration and Updates; client requested services & routine system administration estimated at \$9,000.
 - B. Entering into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Town of Hayward for the placement of city water & sewer mains in the Town of Hayward’s right of way along Nyman Avenue to provide water & sewer services to the Impact Seven housing development at the corner of Hospital Road and Hwy 27/77.
 - C. AT&T – cell tower upgrade and lease agreement – Director McCue stated that AT&T would like to update the lease agreement – tabled, no action taken at this time, to research the proposed lease agreement changes further.
3. **From Police & Fire of 01/13:**
 - A. Mutual Aid/Auto Aid Agreement with the Town of Hayward – table until next month to allow Attorney Kelsey time to review the agreement and termination requirements.
 - B. Sale of the 1996 Spartan Tower Fire Truck – dropping the asking price of the truck from \$90,000 to \$70,000.

4. From Finance of 01/13:

A. The payment of City General Fund Checks numbered 37819 through 37906; Water & Sewer Fund Checks numbered 12289 through 12319; and the December account transfers.

5. The issuance of an operator license (Regular - June 30, 2025) to: Leah G Swan, Emily A Conner, Nathaniel R Hansen, Aaliyah R Stevens

Roll Call Vote: Ald. Hand – yes; Ald. Herrmann – yes; Ald. Hill – yes; Ald. Hofer – yes; Ald. Miller – yes; Ald. Swan – yes; Ald. Williamson – yes. Motion carried. Ayes (7), Nays (0)

Public Comments

No public comments were made.

Adjournment

Ald. Swan made a motion, seconded by Ald. Williamson to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

*Gary Gillis, Mayor

*Lisa Poppe, City Clerk-Treasurer