

**CITY OF HAYWARD
SAWYER COUNTY, WISCONSIN
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, November 13, 2024
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. Kreyer, Ald. Swan, Ald. Williamson
Council Absent: Ald. Miller
Others Present: Attorney Kelsey, Director McCue, Chief Savitski, Assistant Chief Anderson, Chief Herrmann, Mike & Mary Poppe, Linda Derber, Jim Netz, Kristy Maki, Carol Keene, Frank Zufall

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

American Birkebeiner Ski Foundation – 2025 Event Requests and updates

Kristy Maki, American Birkebeiner Ski Foundation, provided the mayor and council members with an update on the 2025 Birkie events. Ald. Hofer made a motion, seconded by Ald. Hand, to approve the 2025 American Birkebeiner Ski Foundation event requests, as presented by Kristy Maki, including the closure & limited access of certain city streets; closure of municipal parking lots; and installation of the Birkie bridge. Motion carried.

Hayward Business Improvement District – the placement of lights over Main Street

Ald. Swan made a motion, seconded by Ald. Williamson to approve the request as presented by Jim Netz, Hayward Business Improvement District, to hang decorative lights along and across Main Street; BID to collaborate with Director McCue throughout the lighting project. Motion carried.

VFW – Request to put a Christmas tree at the fountain location

Ald. Hand made a motion, seconded by Ald. Kreyer to approve the VFW's request, as presented by Mike Poppe, to put a Christmas tree at the fountain location and to close Main Street from Hwy 63 to Railroad Street on Saturday, November 30th for a lighting ceremony. Motion carried.

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

1. **Minutes:** Police & Fire of 10/14; Public Works of 10/14; Finance of 10/14; Regular Council of 10/14; Personnel of 10/30
2. **From Finance of 11/13:**
 - A. The payment of City General Fund Checks numbered 37670 through 37750; Water & Sewer Fund Checks numbered 12250 through 12275; and the October account transfers
3. **The issuance of an operator license, Regular** (June 30, 2025) to: Parker A Springer; Kathleen A Reinert; Bobbi R Dennis; Melanie A Andren; Charisma J Allen

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

Clerk's Report

The Northwoods Humane Society has applied for a picnic license for a Ladies Night Out event to be held on November 26, 2024. The American Birkebeiner Ski Foundation has applied for a picnic license for the 2025 Birkie events to be held February 19-22, 2025.

A perpetual Care COD in the amount of \$94,550 matured on October 22nd; interest earned in the amount of \$3,123 was transferred to the cemetery checking account; the COD was renewed in the amount of \$94,550 for a term of nine months at a rate of 3.72 percent.

The Wastewater Treatment Plant Equipment Replacement COD in the amount of \$519,023.98 matured on October 24th; interest in the amount of \$13,115.24 and the 2024 allocation in the amount of \$32,000 were added; the COD was renewed in the amount of \$564,19.33 for a term of six months at a rate of 4.29 percent.

The Revaluation COD in the amount of \$103,804.80 matured on October 24th; interest in the amount of \$2,597.02 was added; the COD was renewed in the amount of \$106,401.82 for a term of six months at a rate of 4.29 percent.

Library COD #3 in the amount of \$50,000 matured on October 19th; interest earned in the amount of \$1,651.51 and the principal balance of \$50,000 (total \$51,651.51) was transferred to the library checking account.

Public Comments

Linda Derber addressed the mayor and council members regarding city residents burning, a fire larger than a 30” fire ring, in the City of Hayward, over the last couple of weeks when the conditions were so dry and windy.

Closed Session

Ald. Hofer made a motion, seconded by Ald. Hand to go into closed session per §19.85(1)(e) conducting public business pertaining to the negotiations of a developer’s agreement with Impact Seven. Roll Call Vote: Ald. Hand – yes; Ald. Herrmann – yes; Ald. Hill – yes; Ald. Hofer – yes; Ald. Kreyer – yes; Ald. Swan – yes; Ald. Williamson – yes. Motion carried. Ayes (7), Nays (0)

Action from Closed Session

Ald. Hofer made a motion, seconded by Ald. Kreyer to authorize the mayor and clerk to sign a clean copy of the “blue lined” developer’s agreement between the City of Hayward and Impact Seven, as presented. Roll Call Vote: Ald. Hand – yes; Ald. Herrmann – yes; Ald. Hill – yes; Ald. Hofer – yes; Ald. Kreyer – yes; Ald. Swan – yes; Ald. Williamson – yes. Motion carried. Ayes (7), Nays (0)

Adjournment

Ald. Swan made a motion, seconded by Ald. Kreyer to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

*Gary Gillis, Mayor

*Lisa Poppe, City Clerk-Treasurer