



COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, June 16, 2025 at 5:00 PM
First Floor Conference Rooms
100 Main Street, Menasha, WI

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Mayor Hammond at 5:01pm.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

C. ROLL CALL

Present: Alds. Rand, Hale, Perkins, Lewis, Marshall, Grade, Ropella,
Commissioners, Allwardt, Kordus, Turchan

Absent: Ald. Eisenach, Commissioner Tines

Also Present: FD Sassman, DPW Merten, CDD Dane, FC Teesch, CA Struve,
Mayor Hammond, Clerk Snyder, DC Janet, GM Krause

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY MATTER OF CONCERN TO THE CITY

E. COMMUNICATIONS

F. DISCUSSION

1. WPPI Energy Presentation by Mike Peters, President and CEO

WPPI Energy President and CEO Mike Peters presented on the organization's mission and membership engagement. Peters advised on an overall reduction in wholesale member costs, describing these as stable and competitive since 2012. Cost reductions are attributed to diverse power supplies, including natural gas, renewable resources, and coal sourced throughout the Midwest. Transmission ownership is further responsible for cost reductions; WPPI's work with American Transmission Company (ATC) promises longevity and reliability of energy infrastructure for reduced maintenance expenditures.

Peters discussed Wisconsin's anticipated power needs. Specifically, significant megawatts must be sourced ahead of 2030 for maintenance of electrical expectations. WPPI finds itself well positioned to fulfill these needs through partnerships with hydropower plants and the marketplace purchase of wind power. WPPI additionally expects to phase coal out of its portfolio by 2027 and achieve carbon neutrality by 2050.

Discussion considered the merits of collaboration with ATC, the comparative benefits of underground and overhead transmission, the merits of nuclear power, and WPPI's advocacy efforts.

G. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ald. Perkins seconded by Ald. Marshall to adjourn the Special Joint Common Council and Water and Light Commission meeting at 5:47pm. Motion carried on voice vote.

Minutes submitted by City Clerk Kaija Snyder.