

(Published in The Clark County Press Dec. 20, 2023)
**COMMON COUNCIL
COUNCIL ROOM
DECEMBER 12, 2023
7:00 P.M.**

The Common Council met in regular session, Mayor Poeschel presiding. On roll call: all members present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of the previous meetings were declared approved.

Council Member Petkovsek reported on the November 28, 2023 meeting of the Grants Committee regarding review and updating the list of grants in progress.

Council Member Rochester reported on the November 20, 2023 meeting of the Heritage Days Committee regarding: 1) discussion on Friday night bands, 2) discussion on and approval of sending out donation request letters, 3) discussion on Uncommon Denominator band contract for Saturday night, 4) discussion on Miss Neillsville checkbook and 5) discussion on and approval of a contract with Chippewa Valley Sound for Friday and Saturday night shows at a cost of \$3,000 plus Friday night hotel rooms.

Council Member Clough reported on the December 12, 2023 meeting of the Commission on Public Works/Utilities regarding current activities.

Mayor Poeschel declared all reports filed as presented with the City Clerk.

Mayor Poeschel swore in Jake Mertzig as a City Police officer.

Mayor Poeschel presented the following nomination list of polling place officials and voting registration deputies:

- Ward I – Jana Marden, Janice Mayer, Gayle Vatne
- Ward II – Kathy Brugger, Denise Clough, Greg Glisczinski
- Ward III – Carol Harnisch, Mary Hartung, Brent Shoup
- Ward IV – Sharon Bjerke, Natalie Erpenbach, Mary Nauertz
- Ward V – Margaret Gelhaus, Lynda Hilliard, Karen Venne

This represents eight Republicans and seven Democrat representatives in the polling place. Their terms of office will be two years, from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2025.

Voter Registration Deputies – Kay Anason and Debbie Tlusty

This represents one Republican and one Democrat voter registration deputy. Their terms of office will be for two years, from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2025.

Motion Neville, second Counsell, to accept the Mayor’s nominations as presented for polling place officials and voter registration deputies and appoint them to two-year terms 2024-2025. Council Member Clough abstained. 4-Aye, No-Nay, 1-Abstained. Motion carried.

City Clerk Roehl presented a request from Police Department employees to carry over 2023 unused vacation time due to personnel shortages not allowing for time to be taken off. There is a total of 120 hours. Employees are James Mankowski (80 hours) and Derek Wheatley (40 hours).

Motion Counsell, second Rochester, to allow the Police Department employees to carry over their unused 2023 vacation hours to 2024, to be used by March 31, 2024. All Aye.

Recreation Director Jessica Brown presented a request for use of the City Hall basement for a Toddler/Child Play program. It is a new program funded by the \$10,000 Listeman grant. The basement area is heated, carpeted and permanent. She could setup the area with the play equipment and not have to take it down and store it after each use. She will be there to supervise, the program would be for six years of age and under, the parent is required to stay.

Council Member Counsell asked if there would be a charge and if we had checked with our insurance company.

Recreation Director Brown stated that there would be a program charge and she had contacted the League of Wisconsin Municipalities and there is no concern.

Motion Petkovsek, second Clough, to approve the used of the City Hall basement for a Toddlers/Child Play program. All Aye.

Chief of Police Mankowski stated as he is completing his fourth year as Chief of Police, he has worked hard building a team of police officers, training them and providing the promise change that he was hired to deliver, now he is asking the Council for its trust. Trust that things are being done correctly, take time to thank our police officers.

Chief of Police Mankowski reported on receiving the FBI-LEEDA Trilogy Award for completion of required leadership courses. He is the first Neillsville Chief of Police in department history to achieve this.

Chief of Police Mankowski reported on trainings, Police Officer Mertzig will being field training in January, Police Officer Fecker will being field training the last week in December, the 2019 Ford squad will be placed in service soon, the 2013 Dodge Charger squad will be auctioned off, November parking enforcements, citations, warnings, incidents, office activity, calls, officer activity, business patrols, citizen interactions, Town of Mentor contract policing (starting in January, 2024 the monthly commitment will increase from 10 hours to 15 hours).

Mayor Poeschel read a letter from Bob Venne, B & F Machine Shop, regarding courthouse parking on E. Sixth Street. A few courthouse workers are abusing the parking situation, by play a cat and mouse game of

moving cars around, instead of using the courthouse parking lots. They don’t care about his customers or older people who need to use the courthouse. In Stevens Point they have an ordinance and parking signs that say “No Re-Parking” – parking is allowed one time per calendar day.

City Clerk Roehl presented a note from State Representative Donna Rozar and State Senator Jesse James that they will be holding a listening session on Friday, December 15, 2023 in Neillsville.

Hotel/Motel Room Tax Permit Applications:
Forward GRP, LLC, Neillsville House, Logan Grap, Agent, 401 W. Seventeenth Street

Lu & Co, LLC, Selah: The Black River Lodges, Heather E. Grambsch, Agent, 1214, 1216, 1218 W. Fourth Street

Tufts’ Mansion B & B, LLC, James A. Voss, Agent, 26 Hewett Street

Motion Neville, second Clough, to grant all the listed permits. All Aye.

Motion Clough, second Counsell, that the City Bills Nos. 1129 to 1179 in the amount of \$83,857.27 and CDBG Housing Escrow Account Bill No. 15 in the amount of \$1,700.00 be paid. All Aye.

Motion Neville, second Clough, to adjourn. All Aye.
/s/Duane G. Poeschel, Mayor

/s/Rex R. Roehl, Clerk

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(Published in The Clark County Press Dec. 13, 2023 and 27, 2023)
**STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT,
CLARK COUNTY**
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
ROBERT C. BERGER JR.
DOD: 1-7-2022

Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 23-PR-65

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 10/11/1941 and date of death 1/7/2022, was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W4031 Rock Creek Rd., Loyal, WI 54446.
3. All interested persons have waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent’s estate is March 7, 2024.
5. A claim may be filed at the Clark County Courthouse, 517 Court St., Neillsville, Wisconsin, Room 403.

/s/ Kimberly Bredlau
Probate Registrar
Nov. 28, 2023

Michael V. Salm
PO Box 302
Thorp, WI 54771
715-669-5583
Bar No:1012313

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**NOTICE OF SPRING ELECTION
Village of Granton
April 2, 2024**

Election Details

An election will be held in the Village of Granton, on Tuesday, April 2, 2024. The following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed:

<u>Office</u>	<u>Incumbent</u>
Village Trustee	Bryan Vine

Office Terms

The term for Village Trustee begins on April 16, 2024 and is a two year term.

The Caucus

The Caucus will be held at the Village Hall at 127 Maple Street in Granton on January 10, 2024 at 7:00pm.

For Candidates

To be considered for a Village Office, a motion must be made to nominate you for a position on January 10th and that motion needs a 2nd. In the event that more than 2 candidates are nominated to a single position, a vote will be made that evening to select two candidates to run on the spring ballot.

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(Published in The Clark County Press
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**STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT,
CLARK COUNTY**
ASSOCIATED BANK, N.A.
1305 Main Street
Stevens Point, WI 54481
Plaintiff,
vs.
CANDACE J. FRAPPIER
1506 Hewett St.
Neillsville WI 54456
JOHN/JANE DOE FRAPPIER
(an Unknown Spouse of Candace J. Frappier)
1506 Hewett St.
Neillsville, WI 54456
Defendants

Case No. 23-CV-115
Foreclosure of Mortgage: 30404
Hon. William Bratcher
Br. 2

SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF WISCONSIN TO:
CANDACE J. FRAPPIER
JOHN/JANE DOE FRAPPIER
(an Unknown Spouse of Candace J. Frappier)

You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you.

Within forty (40) days after **December 6, 2023**, you must respond with a written demand for a copy of the Complaint. The demand must be sent or delivered to:

Clark Clerk of Circuit Court
Clark County Courthouse
517 Court Street
Neillsville, WI 54456-1977

and to Plaintiff’s attorney, whose address is:

Weld Riley, S.C.
500 Third Street, Suite 800
P.O. Box 479
Wausau, Wisconsin 54402-0479.

You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not demand a copy of the Complaint within forty (40) days, the Court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Dated: 11/28/2023
WELD RILEY, S.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
/s/ JOHN A. CRAVENS
State Bar #1001261

PLEASE DIRECT ALL CORRESPONDENCE,
INQUIRIES AND PLEADINGS TO:

Amy L. Unertl, Paralegal
Weld Riley, S.C.
500 Third Street, Suite 800
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Wausau, WI 54402-0479
(715) 845-8234

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