



# City of Manitowoc

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## Meeting Minutes

### Public Safety Committee

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Monday, September 9, 2024

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

Note: This meeting will also be held via Remote  
Conferencing Software (Zoom)

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#### 1. Call to Order

#### 2. Roll Call

**Present:** 5 - Boldt, Beeman, Cummings, DeBaets and Vanderkin

#### 3. Public Comment

Alderperson Boldt declared the meeting open for public input. In accordance with policy, the public input portion of the meeting is not made a part of the official record.

#### 4. Consent Agenda

These items will be approved by one motion unless any Committee Member wishes to remove an item for discussion.

REMOVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: None.

#### Approval of the Consent Agenda

Moved by Vanderkin, seconded by Cummings, to accept the Consent Agenda Items and recommendations of the various committees The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Boldt, Beeman, Cummings, DeBaets and Vanderkin

[24-1811](#) August 12, 2024 Public Safety Minutes

**Attachments:** [08-12-2024 PS MINUTES](#)

[24-1812](#) August 2024 Police Department Monthly Report

**Attachments:** [August 2024 Police Department Monthly Report](#)

[24-1813](#) August 2024 Fire Rescue Department Monthly Report

**Attachments:** [August 2024 Fire Rescue Department Monthly Report](#)

[24-1814](#) August 2024 Building Inspection Monthly Report

**Attachments:** [08-2024 BI Summary Report](#)

[24-1815](#) August 2024 Blight Fund Update

**Attachments:** [08-2024 Blight Program Funds](#)

## 5. Discussion and Action Items

[24-1816](#) Increase in EMS Charges

**Attachments:** [Increase EMS Charges Letter](#)  
[Increasing EMS Charges - Supporting Documentation](#)

Chief Blaser updated the Public Safety Committee about the necessity to evaluate and raise our EMS billing fees. The existing charges were last revised in 2017. Over the past few years, operational costs have risen dramatically, leading to considerable challenges as prices for supplies and equipment continue to climb. A motion was made to draft a resolution based on the suggested rates outlined in the attached memo.

**Moved by Cummings, seconded by Beeman, that this Communication be approved and referred to Council. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Boldt, Beeman, Cummings, DeBaets and Vanderkin

[24-1819](#) Out of State Travel/Training Request - Fire Department - The Electrical Enforcement Authority 2024 Western Section Meeting, Springdale, Arkansas, September 15th-18th, 2024.

**Attachments:** [Bill Nichols - Out of State Travel Request - September 15-18 2024](#)

**Moved by Vanderkin, seconded by Cummings, that this Request be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Boldt, Beeman, Cummings, DeBaets and Vanderkin

## 6. Convene in Closed Session

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Chad Beeman, seconded by Brett Vanderkin, that this meeting convene in closed session at 6:03 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Boldt, Beeman, Cummings, DeBaets and Vanderkin

Notice is hereby given that the above governmental body may adjourn into a closed session during the meeting as authorized by Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes, which authorizes the governmental body to convene in closed session for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

The specific subject matter that may be considered in closed session is:

[24-1817](#) Town of Manitowoc Rapids Fire Coverage

[24-1818](#) Reevaluation of EMS Service Contracts

(Closed session portion of the Minutes has been redacted)

## 7. Reconvene in Open Session

**A motion was made by Michael Cummings, seconded by William DeBaets, to reconvene in open session at 6:58 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Boldt, Beeman, Cummings, DeBaets and Vanderkin

[24-1817](#) Town of Manitowoc Rapids Fire Coverage

A motion was made to direct city staff to draft an agreement between the City of Manitowoc and the Town of Manitowoc Rapids.

**Moved by Vanderkin, seconded by Cummings, that this Communication be approved and referred to Council. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Boldt, Beeman, Cummings, DeBaets and Vanderkin

[24-1818](#) Reevaluation of EMS Service Contracts

A motion was made to reevaluate the current EMS service contracts for potential increase.

**Moved by Vanderkin, seconded by Cummings, that this Communication be approved and referred to Council. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Boldt, Beeman, Cummings, DeBaets and Vanderkin

## 8. Adjournment

**A motion was made by Brett Vanderkin, seconded by Vice Chair Chad Beeman, that This meeting be adjourned at 7:04 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Boldt, Beeman, Cummings, DeBaets and Vanderkin