CITY OF PLYMOUTH, WISCONSIN TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING IMMEDIATELY AFTER FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY HALL, 128 SMITH STREET

OFFICIAL MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call: Mayor Polman called the meeting to order. On the call of the roll, the following were present: Dave Herrmann, Angie Matzdorf, Diane Gilson, Mike Penkwitz, John Binder, Jeff Tauscheck, Greg Hildebrand, and Kevin Sande. Also present: City Administrator/Utilities Manager Tim Blakeslee, Assistant Administrator/Community Development Director Jack Johnston, City Attorney Crystal Fieber, Police Chief Ken Ruggles, Deputy Police Chief Matt Starker and Clerk/Treasurer Anna Voigt.
- 2. Approve the Minutes from July 29, 2025: Motion was made by Binder/ Tauscheck to approve the minutes from July 29. A unanimous aye vote was cast. Motion carried.
- 3. Revision of City Ordinance Sex Offender Restrictions: Chief Ruggles explained that they discovered section 11-2-17 related to sexual offender restrictions to be out of date compared to surrounding communities. A majority of the municipalities within the county have implemented residential restrictions surrounding schools, parks, playgrounds, daycare facilities and other areas frequented by children. The radius of protected areas varied in each community as did other behavioral restrictions. The current ordinance had restrictions on where a registrant may go but not on where they could live. Hildebrand asked Attorney Fieber if they could clarify who would be giving permissions for reasons to the exceptions regarding schools. Fieber stated she would look at it. Mayor Pohlman asked the Chief for the current map to be updated. It was indicated that staff was currently working on it. Tauscheck asked if anyone currently living in a residence within the new zone prior to the ordinance being enacted would be grandfathered in? Chief Ruggles stated that they would be grandfathered in. This item will be next taken to Council.
- changes to Wisconsin State Statutes are causing this Municipal Code update related to play vehicles and electric scooter. Under current state law, e-scooters must be regulated similarly to bicycles. As part of these updates, it is proposed that Section 11-2-16, which currently prohibits all motorized scooters, be repealed, as it conflicts with state law and no longer enforceable. The proposed ordinance also updates the definitions of "play vehicles" and electric bicycles to better align with state statute. Sande expressed his concern that there wasn't anything in the ordinance about wearing helmets. He shared an example of Port Washington's Ordinance requiring helmets for kids ages 16 and under. The committee members all discussed whether enforcement of helmets should be included. This item will be taken to Council for further discussion.
- **5. Adjourn:** Motion was made by Hildebrand/Tauscheck to adjourn the meeting. A unanimous aye vote was cast. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 5:52 PM.