

**COOPERSTOWN CITY COUNCIL**  
**Special Meeting      May 11, 2023**

The Cooperstown City Council met Thursday, May 11, 2023, at 5:00 pm in the city council room. Present: Paul Paintner, Deb Eslinger, Seth Hanson, Charles Dehoff, and Larry Olson. Others present: Auditor Christine Olson, Deputy Auditor Naomi Trostad, Public Works David Ludwig, and John Hatcher. Absent: Steve Perry and Allen Gruman.

Mayor Paintner called the meeting to order.

Motion by Eslinger, seconded by Dehoff to approve a local permit for a raffle submitted by the Cooperstown Fire Dept. Motion carried.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Eslinger to approve a local permit for a raffle submitted by the Dual County Classic. Motion carried.

Christine reported that an individual has asked if their 16-year-old would be able to work for the summer for the city. After looking into labor laws, we can hire someone 16 years old or older with no restrictions. Motion by Eslinger, seconded by Olson to hire summer help age 16 or older at a starting wage of \$16.00 per hour. Motion carried.

John Hatcher talked to the council about removing the sidewalk along Highway 45 where Brad Dewald would like to put up his garage. Due to the elevation, they would like to remove the sidewalk to build up the lot from the curb to the actual building site. Council went with John to the site so they could more easily see what he was talking about. Upon returning to the meeting room, a motion by Olson, seconded by Dehoff to approve Brad Dewald removing the sidewalk along Highway 45 to build up landscaping for his garage. Motion carried.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Hanson to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm.

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Christine Olson, Auditor

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Paul Paintner, Mayor