



**Report of the Finance and Property Committee**

Jake Cattanach, Chairperson  
Dean Veneman, Vice-Chairperson  
Patrick Delaney

Date of Meeting: October 29, 2024  
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The Finance and Property Committee met at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 29, 2024, in the Third Floor Conference Room at City Hall. All members of the Finance and Property Committee were present.

1. Call to Order

**Chairperson Cattanach called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.**

2. Audit of the bills

**It was moved by Cattanach, seconded by Veneman to approve check no. 23181 to 23482 in the amount of \$1,594,912.04. Motion carried 2-0 with Alderperson Delaney abstaining.**

3. Discuss animal control services from Wildlife Patrol LLC

**The item was not discussed, and no action was taken.**

4. In open session, the Committee may vote to go into closed session under Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes, which reads: "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" and Section 19.85(1)(g), Wis. Stats., which reads "Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved."

**It was moved by Veneman, seconded by Delaney to go into closed session. Roll call vote was taken. All members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried, 3-0, and the Committee went into closed session.**

a. In closed session, the Committee will consider a Notice of Circumstances Giving Rise to Claim filed by Eagle Prairie, Inc. and CCC--Briarwoods. LLC, regarding a claim for an alleged excessive tax assessment for 2024.

b. In closed session, the Committee will consider settlement and dismissal of a lawsuit filed by Eagle Prairie, Inc. and CCC--Briarwoods, LLC, regarding its tax assessment for 2023.

**In closed session, the Committee considered a Notice of Circumstances Giving Rise to Claim filed by Eagle Prairie, Inc. and CCC-Briarwoods, LLC, regarding a claim for an alleged excessive tax assessment for 2024 and a settlement and dismissal of a lawsuit filed by Eagle Prairie, Inc. and CCC-Briarwoods, LLC, regarding its tax assessment for 2023.**

5. The Committee will return to open session.

**It was moved by Cattanach, seconded by Delaney to return to open session. Motion carried, 3-0, and the Committee returned to open session.**

6. The Committee may consider and may take action on a claim contained in a Notice of Circumstances Giving Rise to Claim filed by Eagle Prairie, Inc. and CCC-Briarwoods. LLC, regarding an alleged excessive tax assessment for 2024.

**It was moved by Cattanach, seconded by Veneman to agree to refund Eagle Prairie, Inc. an amount equal to the 2024 net tax rate on \$200,000 of assessed value and agreed to a dismissal of the 2023 and 2024 claims. Motion carried, 3-0.**

7. The Committee may consider and may take action on the settlement and dismissal of a lawsuit filed by Eagle Prairie, Inc. and CCC--Briarwoods, LLC, regarding its tax assessment for 2023.

**The motion in agenda item no. 6 included agenda item no. 7.**

8. Adjourn.

**It was moved by Veneman, seconded by Delaney to adjourn. Motion carried, 3-0, and the meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Tim Desorcy, Finance Director