

**CITY OF LANCASTER
STATUTORY ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
AGENDA
APRIL 20, 2021**

Time: 6:30 PM

Place: 206 S Madison St. City Hall, Council Chambers

This meeting will be in-person but the public or anyone else may join the meeting online or by telephone. The information needed to join the meeting virtually is listed at the bottom of this agenda. If you have any questions, please contact David Kurihara (723-7445)

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Oath of Office
4. Roll Call
5. Report on Library Building Finances
6. Public Comments
7. Election by Council:
 - a. Council President
 - b. Member to serve on Park and Recreation Committee
 - c. Member to serve on Plan Commission
 - d. Member to serve on Golf Course Committee
 - e. Member to serve on It's A Great Day in the City of Lancaster Fund Advisory Committee
8. Consider appointments by Mayor subject to Council Approval
9. Consider Council appointments
10. Consider Resolution No. 2021-08-Designating Public Depositories
11. Consider Resolution No. 2021-09-Designating Official Newspaper
12. Convene to close 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 regarding the development or expansion of an Industrial Park (Wisconsin Statutes 19.85, P1, e)
13. Resume to open session to take action on above if so advisable.
14. Adjourn

Below is the link and instruction for "The Public" or anyone else wishing to join virtually:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85199101810?pwd=V0xiTm93K2o5LzU3aFQxMnVaaTUrUT09>

Meeting ID: 851 9910 1810

Passcode: 059049

Dial by your location

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) or

888 788 0099 US Toll-free

Note: Council Packets are available in the lobby area of the Police Department

Public Comments

Name: Lawrence Busch

Question: To: Mayor David Varnum and members of the city council:

As you know, Intelligent decision making is vital to the health of our city. Recently, concerning our beautiful, vital, new library, this has not been the case. We have now lost Jen, Josh, and now Cindy, 3 of the finest people we have had working for our community. The reason they are now gone from our local leadership roles lies squarely on the shoulders of our mayor. But then to support the mayor's reasoning, he is resorting to untruths about money that he incorrectly believes the library fund raisers still owe the city. Not to mention the pool and the golf course that weren't/aren't required to do ANY fundraising to support their operation. Please rectify this unfortunate situation and get our city and library back on track. Thank you.

Very sincerely, Larry Busch

Name: Mike Steffel

Question: To Mayor Varnam and the City Council.

I am a bit dismayed at the decision to remove Cindy Busch from the Library Board. As my wife works at the library, I often help out at events and when I do, Cindy is almost always there. I also know she helps out a lot behind the scenes at our library and has been a fervent champion of our library. If you are unaware of all she does, please inquire with the library staff, other board members, or community supporters of our library. I'm sure they will be opposed to the removal of Cindy Busch from the Library Board.

Thank you.

Mike Steffel

Name: Peg Jonas

Question: Mr. Mayor,

I have just heard that Cindy Busch has been removed from the library board. If this is true, please provide an explanation. I have served on two committees at the library and have seen first hand how hard Cindy works to insure that our library is one of the best. The volunteer hours she has put in attending meetings, organizing and publicizing events, welcoming guests at said events, and cleaning up after these programs would cost the city a lot if we had to pay someone to provide these services. Cindy does all this for the good of the community. I don't understand why we do not value someone who is willing to work as hard as she does.

There are always two sides to every issue. I would appreciate hearing your side.

Thank you,

Peg Jonas

Name: Lisa Swanson

Question: Dear Mayor Varnum,

Please reconsider replacing Cindy Busch and Josh McLimans on the Library Board.

They have contributed countless hours to the fundraising efforts in building our new library. They have continued to provide many volunteer hours toward the wonderful programs that the library offers. Dedicated volunteers like these are not easy to find. It seems short-sighted to turn away their willingness to serve and passion for our community and specifically our library.

Sincerely,

Lisa Swanson

Name: Marcia Chambers

Question: Good day, Mayor Varnam,

I love the library! Since retiring from Winskill, I have extra time to engage in activities and events such as the Harry Potter night and Soup Luncheons besides bothering Bob to hunt down an odd book or two.

It was with concern when I read Mike Steffel's letter to the editor, that perhaps Cindy was gravely ill or was moving out of the community and we were not privy to personal information.

Cindy is a planner, leader, faithful to her causes. Who wouldn't want a board member who has history, works well with others, knows how to use a broom at the end of a long event.

Please reconsider your thoughts on removing Cindy Busch.

Thank you~ Marcia Chambers

TENTATIVE LIST

ITEM 7. APPOINTMENTS BY MAYOR SUBJECT TO COUNCIL APPROVAL

Board of Review Alderpersons:	Pennekamp, Rollins and Schmidt
Golf Course Committee Member to Replace Linda Miller (4 Yr. Term):	Linda Miller
Library Board to Replace Cindy Busch (3 yr. Term):	Matt Pennekamp
Library Board to Replace Josh McLimans (3 Yr. Term):	Laura Fritz
Park & Recreation Committee Member to Replace Tiffany Kramer (4 Yr. Term):	Tiffany Kramer
Plan Commission Member to Replace: Rita Angeli (3 Yr. Term):	Lea Ann Vesperman
Police & Fire Commission to Replace Chris Prange (5 Yr. Term):	Bob Schmidt
Zoning Board of Appeals to Replace: Lois Vorwald (3 Yr. Term) Vacant, 2 nd Alternate (Ends 2024)	Tiffany Kramer Vacant
Historic Preservation Commission (2 Yr. Term) and Council Member (1 Yr.):	Bruce Fritz, Brian Clauer, Kyle Vesperman and Schmidt (Council)

ITEM 7 (CON'T). SPECIAL COMMITTEES BY THE MAYOR SUBJECT TO COUNCIL APPROVAL

Airport Committee (1 Yr. Term):	Terry Bailie, Bruce Fritz, LeRoy Ihm and Randy Peterson
Beautification Committee (1 Yr. Term):	Bryn Junk (Citizen), Sue Fritz (Citizen), Ingebritsen (Council), Harper (Council) and Heather Bontreger (Chamber Director)
Grant County Economic Development Corp. (1 Yr. Term):	Mayor Varnam, Sara Burks (Alternate 1) and Rose Oliveto (Alternate 2)
Housing Rehabilitation Loan Committee (1 Yr. Term):	Mike Berg, Cody Marenes, Abby Massey, Rose Oliveto and Rod Slaght
It's A Great Day in the City of Lancaster Fund Advisory Committee (1, 2, 3, and 4 Yr. Terms)	Jessica Hermsen (1Yr), Les Mack (2Yr), Rick Benson (3yr), Pete Hoffman (4yr)

ITEM 8. APPOINTMENTS BY COUNCIL SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

Council Members on Joint Fire Committee:	Previous Members: Ingebritsen, Reuter and Schmidt
Council Members on Finance Review Committee:	Previous Members: Harper, Ingebritsen, Oliveto & Schmidt
Council Members on Public Works Committee:	Previous Members: LaBudda, Oliveto, Reuter and Rollins
Assessor:	Accurate Appraisal, LLC
Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator:	Dennis Hampton
City Attorney:	David Helmke

CITY OF LANCASTER
COMMON COUNCIL RESOLUTION
No. 2021-08

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE Common Council of the City of Lancaster, Grant County, Wisconsin that American Management Co., BMO Harris Bank, First Community Bank; MidWest One Bank, Peoples State Bank, Royal Bank, Wisconsin Bank & Trust, Heartland Credit Union, Marine Credit Union, State of Wisconsin Local Government Investment Pool and Wisconsin Investment Series Cooperative be and are hereby designated as Public Depositories for all Public monies coming into the hands of the Treasurer of the City of Lancaster, Wisconsin for one year beginning May 1, 2021 and ending April 30, 2022.

Dated this 20th day of April 2021.

CITY OF LANCASTER

David C. Varnam, Mayor

ATTEST:

David A. Kurihara, City Clerk

**CITY OF LANCASTER
COMMON COUNCIL RESOLUTION
No. 2021-09**

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE Common Council of the City of Lancaster, Grant County, Wisconsin that the Grant County Herald Independent be designated as the official newspaper for all publications of official business.

Dated this 20th day of April 2021

CITY OF LANCASTER

David C. Varnam, Mayor

ATTEST:

David A. Kurihara, City Clerk