

The Common Council met at City Hall in the City of Black River Falls on April 2, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. Alderpersons Gearing-Lancaster, Wussow, Ammann, Peloquin, M. Rave, E. Rave, Dougherty, and Busse were present. Mayor J. Eddy presided.

It was moved by Alderperson Wussow, seconded by Alderperson Dougherty, to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the March 19, 2025 Special Common Council meeting and approve as presented. Motion carried.

CITIZENS IN ATTENDANCE

There was 1 citizen in attendance (6:10 pm) and the local newspaper editor attended via Zoom meetings.

The City Administrator distributed election results from the April 1, 2025 election. 1,129 ballots were cast which represents approximately 59% of registered voters.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

It was moved by Alderperson Ammann, seconded by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster, to place on file the minutes of the March 17, 2025 Ad Hoc Branding Committee meeting. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderperson Peloquin, seconded by Alderperson E. Rave, to place on file the minutes of the March 20, 2025 Business Improvement District (BID) Board meeting. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderperson Dougherty, seconded by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster, to place on file the minutes of the March 27, 2025 Plan Commission meeting. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderperson Dougherty, seconded by Alderperson M. Rave, to place on file the minutes of the March 31, 2025 Ad Hoc Branding Committee meeting. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderperson M. Rave, seconded by Alderperson Wussow, to place on file the minutes of the March 31, 2025 Utility Commission meeting. Motion carried.

The City Attorney was in attendance and guided the discussion on a possible sex offender residency restriction ordinance. Attorney Radcliffe has drafted several similar ordinances and provided the City of Blair's ordinance as an example and possible starting point, and recommended if the Council wants to move forward then they need to read and discuss all of the studies listed on page 2, this must go through the public hearing process, three key points for residency restrictions include 1) how many feet from certain locations, 2) safety zones where they cannot be at all, and 3) giving the individuals the opportunity to petition for an exemption which would include a review committee, a background check, interviews, and case transcripts. Attorney Radcliffe cautioned when these types of ordinances are passed the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin, and the U.S. Constitution come in to play so if challenged most likely would be in federal court and talking about equal protections under the law and if someone sues it can be a costly defense. The State

doesn't have rules on what the city can or cannot do, but even though we try to draft the best ordinance possible, the city needs to understand it could be challenged and if it is, it will be in federal court. What the offender is convicted of is what the ordinance would be based on, but part of the exemption request background investigation would include finding out what the original charges were and if there was a plea deal. Double jeopardy would not come in to play because the city would not be incarcerating them. WI statutes impose few limits on sex offenders and do not restrict where most sex offenders can live. Under the proposed ordinance, landlords are not supposed to rent to sex offenders in certain areas so they have a burden to do the background check, but difficult to enforce and issue fines to landlords. The maps provided for 1,000 feet and 1,500 feet exclude most of the city. The Council would need to justify why a particular distance was chosen. Exemption hearings can incur a couple of thousand dollars in legal fees plus the cost of staff hours. In the proposed ordinance there are residency restrictions (where they can live) and then there are safety zones (where they cannot be at all). There can be different restrictive distances for different locations. There was consensus the process should include a public hearing followed by a Special Common Council meeting and then at least one more public hearing before a final draft is considered.

It was moved by Alderperson M. Rave, seconded by Alderperson Dougherty, to adjourn. Motion carried at 7:07pm. A. Brad Chown, City Administrator
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Public Notice

Sealed bids will be received by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources at the Black River State Forest Headquarters (Castle Mound), W10325 Hwy 12, Black River Falls, Wisconsin 54615; up to 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 29, 2025. A timber sale prospectus, map, bid forms and detailed information on each timber tract can be obtained online at: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/TimberSales/salesBlackRiver.html> or by contacting Forester Nick Randall 715-586-8233.

There are ten tracts of timber for sale on the Black River State Forest in T20N-R2W, T21N-R2W, T21N-R4W, T22N-R2W, and T22N-R3W. The tracts comprise 930 acres and contain an estimated 40,140 tons of pulpwood and sawtimber. In addition, there are two tracts of timber for sale on the Tank Creek Fisheries Area in Jackson County in T22N-R5W. These tracts comprise 75 acres and contain an estimated 4,660 tons of pulpwood and sawtimber. These timber sales are third party certified.

Results from the bid opening and information on any unsold tracts can be obtained by checking our website or calling the numbers listed above. Tracts

not sold on Tuesday, April 29, 2025, will be available for re-bid up to 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 13, 2025.

The Department of Natural Resources reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Bids will be opened at the Black River State Forest Headquarters (Castle Mound), Black River Falls, at 9:00 a.m. on April 29, 2025 and May 13, 2025. Interested parties may join the bid opening in person or via conference call at: 1-608-571-2209. Once connected, use passcode 529791509#.

Proof of workers compensation, liability insurance, and logger certification will be required at contract signing.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, JACKSON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DAVID A. CALLISTO

Notice To Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 25PR15
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 08-29-1958, and date of death 03-05-2025, was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 603 Chestnut Street, Black River Falls, WI 54615.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is July 12, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main St, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room C207.

/s/ Elizabeth Storlie
Probate Registrar
March 25, 2025
Atty. Mark Radcliffe
107 Main St.
Black River Falls, WI 54615
715-284-1234
Bar Number: 1033727
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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, JACKSON COUNTY

NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing Plaintiff,

vs.
Kyle Buckles
Defendant.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
Case No. 24-CV-000053
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on October 11, 2024 in the amount of \$302,995.67 the Sheriff will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:

TIME: May 13, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

TERMS: Pursuant to said judgment, 10% of the successful bid must be paid to the sheriff at the sale in cash, cashier's check or certified funds, payable to the clerk of courts (personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash, cashier's check or certified funds no later than ten days after the

court's confirmation of the sale or else the 10% down payment is forfeited to the plaintiff. The property is sold 'as is' and subject to all liens and encumbrances.

PLACE: On the Courthouse steps, Jackson County

DESCRIPTION: A parcel of land located in the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SE1/4 of NE 1/4), Section 24, Township 19 North, Range 6 West, described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said forty, which is also on the centerline of South Road; thence South 4 degrees 46' East along the centerline of said road 1807.5 feet; thence South 85 degrees 14' West, 33.0 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 4 degrees 46' East 568.50 feet along the right of way of said South Road; thence North 81 degrees 20' West 238.91 feet; thence North 19 degrees 40' East 563.40 feet to the point of beginning, Town of Melrose, Jackson County, Wisconsin.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: N1125 South Rd Melrose, WI 54642-8208
DATED: February 11, 2025

/s/ Duane M. Waldera
Jackson County Sheriff
Gray & Associates, L.L.P.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
16345 West Glendale Drive
New Berlin, WI 53151-2841
(414) 224-8404

Please go to www.gray-law.com to obtain the bid for this sale.
Gray & Associates, L.L.P. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you have previously received a discharge in a chapter 7 bankruptcy case, this communication should not be construed as an attempt to hold you personally liable for the debt. Published in the Banner Journal April 9, 16 and 23, 2025.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, JACKSON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THOMAS P. NICHOLSON, SR.
DOD: 11/12/2024

Notice To Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 25PR18

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth April 25, 1950, and date of death November 12, 2024, was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 129 E. Cowles St, Alma Center, WI 54611.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is JULY 18, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room C207.

/s/ Elizabeth Storlie
Probate Registrar
April 4, 2025
Attorney Evan M. Seibel
Dempsey Law Firm, LLP
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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, JACKSON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BRUNO W. WARNER
DOD 02/07/2025

Notice Setting Time to Hear Application and Deadline for Filing Claims (Informal Administration)
Case No. 25PR14

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 01/11/1938 and date of death 02/07/2025 was domiciled in 02/07/2025 County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W14555 County Road B, Fairchild, WI 54741.
3. The application will be heard at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main St, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room C207, before Elizabeth Storlie, Probate Registrar, on April 29, 2025 at 1:30 PM.

You do not need to appear unless you object. The application may be granted if there is no objection.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is July 12, 2025.

5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main St, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room C207.

6. This publication is notice to any persons whose names or address are unknown.

Elizabeth E. Storlie
Probate Registrar
March 24, 2025

William S. Milne -
Weld Riley, SC
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Eau Claire, WI
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APPLICATION

To the Town Board of the Town of Adams: The undersigned hereby applies for a Combination Class B license to sell at the premises described below in the Town of Adams, Jackson County, Wisconsin from April 28, 2025, to June 30, 2025, intoxicating liquors and fermented malt beverages in accordance with and under the restrictions of Chapter 125 of the Wisconsin Statutes and on all acts amendatory thereto, and hereby agree to comply with all regulations, Federal, State and Local, affecting the handling of such intoxicating liquors and fermented malt beverages if such licenses are granted.

Inwood Supper Club
N9503 Cty. Rd. K
Pat Kautz, Agent,
Applicant
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UPPER BEAVER CREEK CEMETERY ANNUAL MEETING
Wed., April 23, 5:30 PM
at the UBC Church basement.
All are welcome to attend.

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, JACKSON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARLIS K. WHITT
DOD: 01/21/2024

Order Setting Claims Deadline In Special Administration

Case No. 25PR16
A Petition for Formal Administration was filed.

THE COURT FINDS:

The decedent, with date of birth 08/28/1942 and date of death 04/21/2024 was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 400 County Road R, Black River Falls, WI 54615.

THE COURT ORDERS:

1. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is **July 11, 2025.**

2. A claim must be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main St, Black River Falls, Wisconsin.

/s/ Daniel S. Diehn
Circuit Court Judge
March 31, 2025

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