

1. Meeting Material

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6:30 PM, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ROOM 302
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UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Mayor Pohlman called the meeting to order. On the call of the roll, the following were present: Angie Matzdorf, Diane Gilson, Mike Penkwitz, John Binder, Jeff Tauscheck, Dana Haucke, Dave Herrmann, and Kevin Sande. Also present: City Administrator/Utilities Tim Blakeslee, Assistant Administrator/Community Development Director Jack Johnson, Police Chief Ken Ruggles, Deputy Chief Matt Starker, Director of Public Works Cathy Austin, and City Clerk/Deputy Treasurer Anna Voigt.
2. **Approve the Minutes from November 25, 2025:** Motion was made by Tauscheck/Herrmann to approve the minutes for November 25, 2025. A unanimous aye vote was cast. Motion carried.
3. **Discussion and Recommendation of Hill and Dale Speed:** Blakeslee explained that in December the City received a petition from residents for the Greystone Subdivision, Granite Trace Apartments, and South Hills Subdivision regarding the posted speed limit on Hill and Dale Road within the City limits west of Highway 67. Alder Penkwitz requested the item be placed on the Committee of the Whole agenda and Alder Tauscheck requested it to be on the Committee of the Whole and Common Council agenda. The petition requests that the City conduct a speed study and reduce the posted speed limit from 45 mph to 35 mph. A speed study was done in 2024 for the same area. The traffic data collected confirms that Hill and Dale Rd does not exhibit a speeding problem. The Police Department noted that there have been no major speed-related incidents on this stretch in the past two years. Blakeslee explained that it is within the discretion of the Common Council to lower the posted speed limit. The common council should weigh the resident request along with the supporting data and information provided. Tauscheck stated a resident reached out to him with concerns of the speed limit. He suggested getting signatures from residents to request the speed change. He stated that the speed survey is a good way to get an idea on the number of cars but maybe not make a decision by just using the speed survey. He stated they were able to collect 115 signatures which shows its very important to the residents. He also thinks the Council should be proactive versus reactive with the new subdivision going in. Tauscheck stated he is in favor of changing the speed limit. Penkwitz agreed with Tauscheck with the new development changing the speed limit would be beneficial. Herrmann stated as a resident of the area he agrees with the speed limit change. Walking that area often it seems people go faster than the speed limit. Herrmann stated he was in favor of changing the speed limit. Binder added that the police reports don't include close calls and with the new development and kids just learning to drive he supports the speed limit changing to 35. The conclusion of the committee was to move forward to Council for a vote.
4. **Adjourn:** Motion was made Matzdorf/Tauscheck to adjourn the meeting. A unanimous aye vote was cast. Motion carried.



DATE: February 5, 2026

TO: Committee of the Whole

FROM: Tim Blakeslee, City Administrator/Utilities Manager

RE: Agenda Request – Alder Binder. Discussion and Potential Recommendation on Composting Resolution

Background: Alderperson Binder, who is a member of the Plymouth Environmental Action Team (PEAT), has requested Council consideration of a resolution related to composting education and utilization in Plymouth.

At the November 25, 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting, Alderperson Binder introduced the topic of composting. At that time, the Committee of the Whole directed staff to revise the draft resolution provided by PEAT so that it reflects coordination related to sharing educational materials on composting, rather than establishing a formal partnership.

Staff Action: Staff has revised the resolution consistent with that direction. The revised draft focuses on sharing general information related to composting basics, best practices, and available options. The resolution notes that participation is voluntary. It also provides that the City retains final discretion over any content that is distributed or published. The revised resolution is attached for review.

Staff Time: Based on the scope as presented (primarily periodic newsletter or communication content), staff estimates approximately 15 minutes per week would be needed to support this effort. This is within current workload capacity.

Staff Recommendation: No staff recommendation.

The Committee of the Whole has the following options:

1. Recommend the Common Council adopt the resolution as presented.
2. Recommend the Common Council adopt the resolution with changes as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
3. Take no action.

Attachments:

1. Draft Resolution



**CITY OF PLYMOUTH, WISCONSIN
RESOLUTION NO. __ OF 2026**

Promotion of Food Waste Composting

WHEREAS, the Plymouth Environmental Action Team (PEAT) is an active community organization engaged in environmental education.

WHEREAS, food waste contributes to environmental challenges including landfill use; and

WHEREAS, composting is one method by which food waste can be diverted from landfills and converted into a beneficial soils; and

WHEREAS, compost can improve soil health and water retention while reducing the need for certain chemical fertilizers; and

WHEREAS, the City of Plymouth recognizes education and information sharing as an appropriate municipal role in supporting voluntary sustainability practices; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT by the Common Council of the City of Plymouth, Wisconsin, that:

1. **General Support.** The City of Plymouth expresses support for food waste composting as a voluntary practice that contributes to waste reduction and environmental sustainability.
2. **Educational Collaboration.** The City of Plymouth will work with the Plymouth Environmental Action Team (PEAT) to support educational efforts related to food waste composting, including sharing information on composting basics, best practices, and available options.
3. **Scope of Educational Efforts.** Educational efforts, in coordination with PEAT and as resources allow, may include the development or distribution of informational materials, website content, or community outreach intended to increase awareness of food waste composting. The City shall retain final discretion over any content published or distributed by the City.
4. **Voluntary Participation.** The City of Plymouth and PEAT encourage residents, businesses, schools, and other institutions to participate in food waste composting efforts. Participation in food waste composting is entirely voluntary.
5. **Future Opportunities.** PEAT may work with appropriate City staff or departments to identify potential opportunities for collaboration related to food waste composting education and may present such opportunities to the Common Council for consideration in the future.
6. **Effective Date.** This resolution shall take effect upon adoption.

Adopted: January 7, 2026

CITY OF PLYMOUTH

By: _____
Donald O. Pohlman, Mayor

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Common Council of the City of Plymouth on the date set forth above.

Dated: _____, 2026

Anna Voigt, Clerk/Treasurer