

CITY OF OCONTO FALLS
COMMON COUNCIL
Reorganizational Meeting
Council Chambers – Municipal Building
500 N. Chestnut Avenue -Oconto Falls, WI 54154

TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2016 – 7:00 PM
MINUTES

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Brad Rice.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Brad Rice, Aldermen: Mathew McDermid, Kevin Rusch, Jay Kostreva, and Don Osborne

Excused: Aldermen: Marty Coopman and George Stuckey

Also present: Administrator Vicki Roberts, Deputy Clerk Nancy Brye, City Attorney Larry Jeske, and Fire Chief Tim Magnin

Others: Joan Koehne – Times Herald

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ANY OR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

Old Business:

- A. Ordinance 16-004: An ordinance amending Chapter 100 to eliminate certain committees and authorities from Mayoral Appointments.

Rusch explained this item was tabled at last week's meeting as the committee felt the Mayor should be present for the discussion. There was a brief discussion as it was understood where the Mayor was coming from with wanting to eliminate some of the committees, but questioned even though committees do not meet on a regular basis, what is the harm in keeping them on the books.

Mayor commented that he and the City Administrator had discussed the elimination of certain committees. This topic was brought up at a League of Municipalities Conference where it was said there is no need for a committee when the majority of the members are part of the Council. Mayor went on to explain his reasons for wanting to eliminate the committees listed in Ordinance 16-004. The Citizens' Solid Waste Committee has only met 5 times in its existence with the last meeting being in 2005; the Community Development Authority has not met in the past 6 years; the Joint City/School Park & Rec Committee met mainly to discuss the lease agreement at Memorial Field which the school no longer leases and we still have a Park & Rec Committee in place; all of the members on the Ordinance Committee are Council members and the Ordinance Meetings have been few and very short throughout the past years; the Main Street Rehabilitation Committee has only

met 2 times in its existence with the last meeting being in 2008; the Safety Committee has not met in the past 14 years; and the Street, Public Property & Public Works Committee meetings have been few and very short throughout the past 5 years.

Rusch agreed with the elimination of some committees but would like to see the Ordinance Committee remain on the books. Coopman also mentioned at last week's meeting that he would like to see the Ordinance Committee remain intact.

McDermid also agreed with keeping the Ordinance Committee.

City Administrator reiterated the suggestion from the League of Municipalities Conference with regards to cleaning up the list of committees. It was also mentioned at the conference that even if you have a committee in place, you can bring an item right to Council and not go through the committee.

City Attorney confirmed the matter of policy in which you can bring an item to a committee or directly to Council.

Osborne suggested an alternative in which there could be a Committee of a Whole. With this committee, you can discuss anything. He also mentioned that the Ordinance/Code Book was in need of being updated.

MOTION: Rusch/Kostreva

Motion to approve Ordinance 16-004: An ordinance amending Chapter 100 to eliminate certain committees and authorities from Mayoral Appointments, with the amendment of removing the Ordinance Committee from the list of committees to be eliminated.

Roll Call Vote: Rusch-yes, Kostreva-yes, Osborne-yes, McDermid-yes, Coopman-absent, Stuckey-absent **-MOTION CARRIED**

Adjourn Sine Die

New Council Called to Order

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Brad Rice, Aldermen: Mathew McDermid, Kevin Rusch, Jay Kostreva, and Don Osborne

Excused: Aldermen: Marty Coopman and George Stuckey

Administer Oath of Office

Deputy Clerk Brye administered Oath of Office to Mayor Brad Rice and Alderperson Jay Kostreva. Alderman Marty Coopman, Alderman George Stuckey, and Municipal Judge Jim Patenaude were not in attendance of the meeting but took their oaths earlier.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ANY OR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

New Business:

- A. Elect a Council President.
Re: Common Council

Mayor opened the floor to nominations for Council President.

MOTION: Rusch/Kostreva
Move to nominate Mathew McDermid for Council President.

Mayor asked if there were any other nominations for Council President. Having none, nominations were closed.

Voice Vote: All voting aye - **MOTION CARRIED**

- B. Elect a Water and Light Commissioner.
Re: Common Council

ITEM TABLED

- C. Approval of Appointments by Mayor.
Re: Mayor

Mayoral Appointments

A.)	City Administrator	Vicki Roberts
B.)	Clerk	Vicki Roberts
C.)	Treasurer	Vicki Roberts
D.)	Police Chief	Brad Olsen
E.)	City Attorney	Larry Jeske
F.)	Health Officer	Terry Magnin
G.)	Civil Defense	Tim Magnin
H.)	Dog Pound Master	Brad Olsen
I.)	Water & Light Commission	Marty Coopman
J.)	Building Inspector	Bobbie Krozell
K.)	Fire Chief	Tim Magnin

Mayoral Committee Appointments

Ambulance Board

Marty Coopman, *Council Appointment*

Board of Appeals

George Stuckey
Kenneth Harter
Vicki Roberts
Jay Kostreva
Don Osborne

Board of Health

Vicki Roberts
Brad Olsen
Brad Rice

Board of Review

Keith Schneider
George Stuckey
Jay Kostreva
Marty Coopman
Vicki Roberts

Economic Development Coordinator

Vicki Roberts

Emergency Government Planning Committee

Marty Coopman, *Council Member*
Jay Kostreva, *Council Member*
Brad Olsen, *Police Chief*
Tim Magnin, *Fire Chief*
Greg Kuhn, *Utility Manager*
Vicki Roberts, *City Administrator*
Ambulance Personnel
County Personnel

Finance

Don Osborne
Mathew McDermid
Kevin Rusch
Marty Coopman
Keith Schneider
Vaughn Spaulding

Library Board

Marty Coopman, *Council Appointment*

Oconto County Economic Development Corporation

Vicki Roberts, *City Representative*

Park & Recreation

George Stuckey
Jay Kostreva
Mathew McDermid
Citizen Appointments - 3 year term:
Tom Trudell
Rueben Radke
Terry Magnin

Personnel

Kevin Rusch
Mathew McDermid
Marty Coopman
Vicki Roberts (non-voting)

Personnel Manual

Marty Coopman
George Stuckey
Kevin Rusch
Vicki Roberts, *City Administrator* (non-voting)
Greg Kuhn, *Utility Manager* (non-voting)

Planning Commission

Vicki Roberts
Marty Coopman
Don Osborne
Jerry Davis
Vaughn Spaulding
Chique Tousey-Tabar

Revolving Loan

Vicki Roberts
Don Osborne
Connie Kriescher
Richard Van Ark
Carrie Hill

Senior Citizen Board of Directors

Brad Rice, *Council Appointment*

Union Negotiating Committee (WPPA)

Kevin Rusch
Don Osborne
Mathew McDermid
Marty Coopman
Vicki Roberts, *City Administrator* (non-voting)
Brad Olsen, *Police Chief* (non-voting)

Water & Light Shared Personnel

Greg Kuhn, *Utility Manager* (non-voting)
Carl Vowinkle
Jim Patenaude

Wisconsin Public Power, Inc.

Greg Kuhn, *Utility Manager*

Official Depositories

Wells Fargo
Associated Bank
Peshtigo National Bank
BMO Harris Bank
Community Investment Partners

MOTION: Kostreva/McDermid

Motion to approve the Mayor Appointments as presented with the amendment that the Ordinance Committee be added to the list of committees.

Voice Vote: All voting aye - **MOTION CARRIED**

Ordinance

Marty Coopman
Mathew McDermid
Jay Kostreva
Kevin Rusch
Don Osborne

D. Approval of Appointments by City Administrator.
Re: City Administrator

City Administrator Appointments

A.)	Deputy Clerk	Nancy Brye
B.)	Deputy Treasurer	Eve Wallace
C.)	Street Superintendent	Terry Magnin

MOTION: Rusch/Kostreva

Motion to approve the City Administrator Appointments as presented.

Voice Vote: All voting aye - **MOTION CARRIED**

E. Adjournment.

Mayor Rice asked if there was any further business before the meeting is adjourned. Having no further business, he declared the meeting adjourned at 7:16 pm.

City Administrator Vicki A. Roberts