

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

**TUESDAY OCTOBER 11, 2022 – 7:00 pm
MINUTES**

1. Meeting called to order at 7:12 pm by Mayor Brad Rice
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
Present: Mayor Brad Rice, Aldermen: Devin Wirtz, Marty Coopman, Jeff McDonald
Ashley Bahrke, Mathew McDermid and Tim Holman

Also Present: Administrator Peter Wills, Deputy Clerk Jenny Friedman, Police Chief
Brad Olsen, Fire Chief Tim Magnin, Street Superintendent Allan Winkler, Bart
Schindel, Warren Bluhm
4. Approval of Minutes –Common Council Meeting – September 13, 2022
Common Council Meeting Special - September 15, 2022

MOTION: Holman/Bahrke

*Motion to approve the minutes for Common Council Meeting – September 13, 2022,
Common Council Meeting Special- September 15, 2022*

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

5. Treasurer’s Report – August

MOTION: McDermid/Coopman

Motion to approve Treasurer’s Report-August and place on file

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

6. Bills Payable – September

MOTION: McDermid/Holman

Motion to approve the Bills Payable as presented for September.

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

7. **Reports: written reports submitted**

- ✓ Administrator Report
- ✓ Police Department Report
- ✓ Municipal Court Report
- ✓ Fire Department Report

Chief Magnin reported in addition to his written report: Fire department had a call out for Michigan that they assisted with. Michigan didn't have Mavis Agreement signed so the city might see some funds come in for this.

- ✓ Street Department Report
Street Super Alan Winkler there is shortage of cement this year. Due to this some of the sidewalks will have to be poured next year.
- ✓ Building Inspector Report
- ✓ Utility Commission Report/Minutes

MOTION: Holman/Bahrke

Motion to place the reports on file

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

8. OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL:

- Dean Hess spoke on behalf of the school referendum. This referendum is to tear down Washington Middle School and build new and also do some improvements to the other schools. More information on this referendum can be found on the website: ofpanthers.com

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

Public Correspondence: NONE

Old Business:

- 9. Ordinance Committee -Committee update provided.

NO ACTION TAKEN

- 10. Amend Solid Waste Ordinance Chapter 413 of the City of Oconto Falls Ordinances.
The Ordinance Committee approved Amend Solid Waste Ordinance Chapter 413 of the City of Oconto Falls Ordinances

MOTION: McDermid/Holman

Motion to approve Amend Solid Waste Ordinance Chapter 413 of the City of Oconto Falls Ordinances.

VOICE VOTE: All present voting aye - **MOTION CARRIED**

- 11. Fire Station WI DOA Grant update

The Fire Chief has requested funds for the grant per guidelines for starter. This will help with starting cost of the new fire station.

NO ACTION TAKEN

12. 2001 Sterling Tandem Axle Dump Truck is for sale on Wisconsin Surplus Online.com. Bids are being received. Online bidding ends October nineteenth.

NO ACTION TAKEN

New Business:

13. Fire Department

- A. Request for Proposal- WI DOA Grant Administration for New Fire Station
The RFQ and RFP had to be split up. The RFQ for engineering /architectural firm is actively seeking responses.

MOTION: Coopman/Bahrke

Motion to approve the WI DOA Grant Administration RFP out for bid.

VOICE VOTE: All present voting aye - **MOTION CARRIED**

- B. Set Special Council Meeting for WI DOA Grant Engineering RFQ selection

NO ACTION TAKEN

- C. FEMA 2021 Assistance For Fire Fighters Grant \$11,428.57 City match \$571.43
This is for a fittest breathing apparatus every year that the firefighters have to go through.

MOTION: McDermid/Coopman

Motion to accept the FEMA 2021 Assistance for Fire Fighters Grant.

VOICE VOTE: All present voting aye - **MOTION CARRIED**

- D. 2023 WI DNR Forest Fire Protection (FFP) Grant \$8,220 City Match \$8,220
This grant will help update the fire stations equipment in the use of forest fires.

MOTION: Coopman/Holman

Motion to accept 2023 WI DNR Forest Fire Protection (FFP) Grant \$8,220 City Match \$8,220

VOICE VOTE: All present voting aye - **MOTION CARRIED**

14. Request update Dog Park seasonal opening/closing weather dependent
The dog park currently is opened and closed by calendar dates. Community members have asked if this could be changed to being open and closed upon weather. Street department is ok with this. There might be one sign that may need to be changed.

MOTION: Bahrke/Holman

Motion to have Dog Park opened annually based upon weather conditions.

VOICE VOTE: All present voting aye - **MOTION CARRIED**

15. Propose HSHS St. Clare Hospital Community Garden
This garden would be by hospital and parks area. This would be looked at for next year and would have composting areas with it.

NO ACTION TAKEN

16. Amended to add Composting Requirements to Solid Waste Ordinance, Chapter 413, SEC 10, (C) of the City of Oconto Falls Ordinances

MOTION: McDermid/Coopman

Motion to Amended to add Composting Requirements to Solid Waste Ordinance, Chapter 413, SEC 10, (C) of the City of Oconto Falls Ordinances

VOICE VOTE: All present voting aye - **MOTION CARRIED**

17. One Year Operators License Applications: Ashley Plutz , Mason Anderson

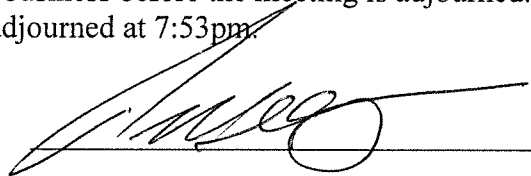
MOTION: McDermid/Holman

Motion to approve One Year Operators License Applications: Ashley Plutz, Mason Anderson

VOICE VOTE: All present voting aye - **MOTION CARRIED**

18. 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 7:53pm.



City Administrator Peter Wills