

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

**TUESDAY MARCH 14 2023 – 6:30 PM  
MINUTES**

**Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Mayor Brad Rice**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call**

Present: Mayor Brad Rice, Aldermen: Devin Wirtz, Tim Holman, Marty Coopman, Mathew McDermid, Ashley Bahrke and Jeff McDonald

Also Present: Administrator Peter Wills, Deputy Clerk Jenny Friedman, Utility Manager Greg Kuhn, Bart Schindel, Beth Rank, Jim Kardoskee, Carrie Hill, William Zeitlow, Trinity Rasmussen, Bob Maloney, Mike Krause, Gabriele LaCount, Tanya Peterson, Jason Flynn, Dani Sonesen, Bob Telford, Bruce Jeske, Dean Hess

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

**Old Business:**

5. **\*\*6:30 PM – PUBLIC HEARING\*\*** –Oconto Falls School District Petition for Direct Annexation.

City Ordinance 23-001 Direct Annexation of Oconto Falls School District Property to the City of Oconto Falls.

Public Hearing for Oconto Falls School District Petition for Direct Annexation

Mayor Brad Rice called upon citizens of the community that had requested to speak. Concerns that were brought up

- Does the City have a twenty year plan and what do they plan on annexing in that plan
- Why wasn't the surrounding property owners reached out to
- Can any land possibly be retained for Town of Stiles
- If having to run new water and sewer down both sides of Columbia both sides should be annexed

The Cities twenty year plan covers three mile radius outside the city for future growth. Annexation by Unanimous Approval was used because Oconto Falls School District was the only owner of the property involved with the annexation. There is a three point test required by the state for annexation by unanimous approval. These points are

- Can the city provide sewer and water

- Is property contiguous to your property
- Dose it fit your twenty year plan.

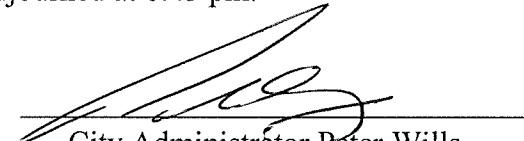
All of these stipulations are met by the City. There is existing water mains down County Road I. Sewer is the only thing that would have to be determined.

6:40 pm Mayor Rice asked for the second time if there were any questions. There were no questions from the public.

6:41 pm Mayor Rice asked for the third time if there were any questions. There were no questions from the public.

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 6:43 pm.



City Administrator Peter Wills