

**CITY OF OCONTO FALLS
COMMON COUNCIL
MEETING**

Council Chambers – Municipal Building
500 N. Chestnut Avenue - Oconto Falls, WI. 54154

**MARCH 11, 2025 – 6:00 pm
MINUTES**

1. Meeting called to order at 6:00pm by Mayor Clint Braun
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call Present: Aldermen: Jeff McDonald, Mathew McDermid, Ashley Bahrke, Devin Wirtz

Also Present: Mayor Clint Braun, Administrator Peter Wills, Deputy Clerk Jenny Friedman, Street Superintendent Wally Remic, Warren Bluhm with Time Herald, Utility Manager Greg Kuhn, Fire Chief Tim Magnin, Bart Schindel, Kurt Wolf

Absent: Marty Coopman, Tim Holman

4. **Approval of Minutes - Common Council 02.11.2025**

MOTION: Bahrke/ Wirtz

Motion to approve the minutes as presented for the Common Council 02.11.2025.

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

5. **Treasurer's Report-January**

MOTION: McDermid/McDonald

Motion to approve the Treasurer's report for January as presented and placed on file as presented.

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

6. **Bills Payable – February**

MOTION: McDermid/Bahrke

Motion to approve the Bills Payable as presented for February and place on file.

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

7. **Reports: Written reports submitted**

- ✓ Administrator Report
- ✓ Police Department Report
- ✓ Municipal Court Report
- ✓ Fire Department Report
- ✓ Street Department Report
- ✓ Street Superintendent
- ✓ Building Inspector Report

- ✓ Library Report

MOTION: McDermid/McDonald

Motion to place reports as presented on file.

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

8. OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL - Citizen in-put will be limited to 3 minutes.

A. Fire Fighters Years of Service Recognition: Jim Moynihan 60 years, Fire Chief Tim Magnin 40 years, Jon Spice 20 years, Ross Engel 20 years.

B. Oconto Falls Chamber of Commerce is selling raffle tickets. Proceeds to benefit a community stage. City Hall has tickets available.

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

9. Committee Reports

Board of Review N/A

Emergency Management Committee Report-N/A

Finance Committee N/A

Joint Review Board N/A

Library Board- 02.25.25

Main Street Committee Report 02.19.25

Park & Recreation Committee Report-N/A

Personnel Committee Report N/A

Planning Commission Report N/A

Ordinance Commission N/A

Utility Commission Report 02.05.2025. 02.17.2025

MOTION: Bahrke/ Wirtz

Motion to place reports on file.

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

Old Business:

10. WI DOA NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTMENT GRANT- FIRE STATION PROJECT UPDATE

Fire Chief Tim Magnin has the grant paperwork finished and is waiting on the Department of Administration for final action.

No Action Taken

11. Columbia Street Reconstruction Project Updates

The Columbia Street Reconstruction Project is going to be worked on from March 2025 through December 2025. On the Oconto Falls Municipal Utility website at <https://www.ofmu.org/> there is a detour map also for people to view before the construction starts. The school has also sent

out notifications to family about the upcoming construction and detour. Everything is on schedule right now and road will be closed on week of March 17,2025. Mailboxes will also be moved this week and contractors have been in contact with home owners.

No Action Taken

12. Former Hardees Update

Pat Evans is the new owner and is working with the state and county. The council has asked for the May Common Council meeting to have Mr. Evan's to give an update on what has been done and any permits taken out.

No Action Taken

13. Kenworth Dump Truck Box Repair Quote

The Kenworth Dump Truck box is in need of repair. The truck box has a crackdown the side. Custom Metal Specialists, LLC proposed the two options;

- Cutting out cracked plate liner area and replacing with new ¼" AR400 plate:
\$2,875.00
- Cutting out old plate liner completely and replacing with new ¼" AR400 plate liner:
\$7,550.00

MOTION: McDermid/ McDonald

Motion to approve Custom Metal Specialists, LLC proposal for \$7,550.00.

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

14. Declare Assets Surplus

A. Street Dept Hoist/Lift

Currently the Street Department has a four-post hoist/lift that is not utilized as much now with the larger lift installed. Street Superintendent has asked if this could be placed for surplus. The money made by the surplus would be used to purchase a two-post hoist/lift. The two-post would be utilized for the smaller vehicles such as lawnmowers and police squad cars.

MOTION: McDonald/Wirtz

Motion to place the four-post hoist/lift up for surplus.

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

B. 2020 Ford Explorer Police Squad

This squad car is no longer needed and has had a recall work done on it and is ready for surplus.

MOTION: Bahrke/McDonald

Motion to place the 2020 Ford Explorer Police Squad with minimal BID of eight thousand dollars.

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

15. Street Department Purchase New Hoist/Lift

Currently the Street Department has a four-post hoist/lift that is not utilized as much now with the larger lift installed. Street Superintendent has asked if this could be placed for surplus. The money made by the surplus would be used to purchase a two-post hoist/lift. The two-post would be utilized for the smaller vehicles such as lawnmowers and police squad cars. Once the four-point hoist lifts then will look at buying the two-point hoist/lift.

No Action Taken

16. County CC Bridge/North Ave Bridge Repair Summer 2026

Next summer the County will be redoing the County CC Bridge/North Ave Bridge. There will be one lane of traffic at all times.

No Action Taken

17. Cameras For City Properties Additional Cost above Estimate-RCMF

The City is doing an upgrade on security camera system currently right now. The quoted cost was \$57,388.26. The City Administrator was approached by the Camera Company because the cost of the camera system is higher than expected. Overage of the system so far \$24,407.79. This still dose not include Mechanic Shop, Westside Shop and Westside Beach.

No Action Taken

18. Beautify Oconto Falls Spring Cleanup April 15-May 15th

Spring Cleanup flyers have been posted in several locations to notify citizens about this. This is to encourage people to clean up their properties and keep the City clean.

No Action Taken

19. One-year Operators license approval for Caitlyn Woodliff, Alexander Kidd, Jodie Arias Hernandez, Alexandra Payne

MOTION: McDermid/Wirtz

Motion to approve the One-year Operators license approval for Caitlyn Woodliff, Alexander Kidd, Jodie Arias Hernandez, Alexandra Payne.

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

20. Two-year Operators license approval for Jeff McDonald, Allison McDonald, Kurt Wolf

MOTION: Bahrke/McDermid

Motion to approve the Two-year Operators license approval for Jeff McDonald, Allison McDonald, Kurt Wolf

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

21. Temporary Class B Alcohol Permit Sno Jokers Oconto Falls Memorial Day Celebrations May 23 through the 26, 2025.

The Sno Joker put the celebration for Memorial Day. They have booked the carnival and music already for the year.

MOTION: Bahrke/Wirtz

Motion to approve the Temporary Class B Alcohol Permit Sno Jokers Oconto Falls Memorial Day Celebrations May 23 through the 26, 2025.

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

22. Temporary Class B Alcohol Permit St. Anthonys School Auction April 5, 2025.

MOTION: Wirtz/McDonald

Motion to approve the Temporary Class B Alcohol Permit St. Anthonys School Auction April 5, 2025.

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

23. Temporary Class B Alcohol Permit St. Anthonys School Food Trucks Monday, May 5, 2025

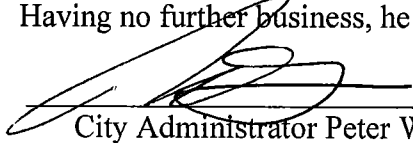
MOTION: McDermid/Wirtz

Motion to approve the Temporary Class B Alcohol Permit St. Anthonys School Food Trucks Monday, May 5, 2025

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

24. Adjournment

Mayor Clint Braun asked if there was any further business before the meeting is adjourned. Having no further business, he declared the meeting adjourned at 6:46 pm.


City Administrator Peter Wills