CITY OF OCONTO FALLS COMMON COUNCIL MEETING

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

> TUESDAY NOVEMBER 11, 2025 – 6:00pm MINUTES

- 1. Meeting called to order at 5:47pm by Mayor Clint Braun
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- **3.** Roll Call Present: Aldermen: Ashley Bahrke, Jeff McDonald, Tim Holman, Marty Coopman, Devin Wirtz, Cathy Strum

Also Present: Mayor Clint Braun, Administrator Peter Wills, Deputy Clerk Jenny Friedman, Interim Utility Manager Beth Rank, Michelle Tester, Fire Chief Tim Magnin, Aaron Trempe, Bart Schindel, Library Director Rachel Pasco, Gloria Schindel, Collin Schindel, Stefanie Wendt, Laikyn Wendt, Mat Wendt, Kim Magnin, Jim Paul Peshtigo Times, Carrie Hill, Connie Kriescher and Jason Flynn

4. Approval of Minutes - Common Council 10.14.2025

MOTION: Bahrke/Wirtz

Motion to approve the minutes for the - Common Council 10.14.2025.

Voice Vote: All present voting aye - MOTION CARRIED

5. Treasurer's Report-September

MOTION: Holman/Wirtz

Motion to approve the Treasures Report.

Voice Vote: All present voting aye - MOTION CARRIED

6. Bills Payable -November

MOTION: Bahrke/Coopman

Motion to approve the Bills Payable as presented for November 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
- ✓ Building Inspector Report
- ✓ Library Report

MOTION: Holman/Wirtz

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 Dept Member Anniversaries:

Chief Tim Magnin

40 Years of Service

- - Captain Bart Schindel 40 Years of Service
- Firefighter Matt Wendt 20 Years of Service

Mayor Clint Braun presented a plaque to Chief Tim Magnin, Captain Bart Schindel and Mat Wendt for years of service and thanked them for their time and dedication to the City of Oconto Falls Fire Department.

B. Oconto Falls Senior Citizens and Community Center The Oconto Falls Senior Citizen and Community Center are taking donations for the 2026 year. Donations will go towards the upkeep and operations of the facility.

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 10/28/25

Joint Review Board N/A

Library Board- N/A

Main Street Committee Report N/A

Park & Recreation Committee Report-N/A

Personnel Committee Report N/A

Planning Commission Report N/A

Ordinance Commission N/A

Utility Commission Report 10.20.25

MOTION: Wirtz/McDonald

Motion to place reports on file.

Voice Vote: All present voting aye - MOTION CARRIED

Old Business:

10. Speed limit change on County I

The proposed speed limit change for County I has been approved by all the appropriate parties. Signs have been updated. The City will now start the detachment process with the Town of Stiles for County Road I.

NO ACTION TAKEN

NEW BUSINESS

- 11. Five Year Street Project Plan
 - A. Approval of five-year street project plan for WI DOT Grant Applications.

 The city will be applying for LRIP and need to update their road plan to apply. For the five-year road plan from 2026-2030 it is suggested to do the following
 - ❖ 2026 Alpine St. \$130,000- pulverize and slurry removal
 - ❖ 2027 Wisconsin St.\$2,650,000 reconstruction of street, water and sewer
 - ❖ 2028 Paul St. \$2,200,000 reconstruction of street, water and sewer
 - ❖ 2029 Poplar Ave \$3,100,000 reconstruction of street, water and sewer
 - ❖ 2030 Birch St \$1,390,340 reconstruction of street, water and sewer
 - ❖ 2031 W Highland Dr. \$5,834,000 reconstruction of street, water and sewer

MOTION: Wirtz/Holman

Motion to approve the five-year street project plan for WI DOT Grant Application. Voice Vote: All present voting aye - MOTION CARRIED

12. Tax Increment Finance Borrowing 600K for Development Project
Tax Increment Finance (TIF#3) is starting to look into borrowing for assistance with
development projects in TIF#3 in 2026 for the amount of 600K. Each project will go
through Planning, Finance and Council approval prior to any financial support.
Additionally, there will be professional consultant costs of City Engineer, Ehler's. Advisory
on the Tax Increment District and potential legal costs with development agreement review.
Until there are further developments with the anticipated projects there is no need to act on
anything.

NO ACTION TAKEN

13. Community Event Application; The Reindeer Romp

MOTION: Bahrke/Holman

Motion to approve the Community Event Application for the Reindeer Romp. Voice Vote: All present voting aye - MOTION CARRIED

14. The Committee may go into closed session to discuss matters of employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of public employees pursuant to 19.85 (1)(C) Wis. Stats.

A. Employee Evaluation

MOTION: Holman/McDonald

Motion to enter into closed session at 6:21pm.

Voice Vote: All present voting aye - MOTION CARRIED

Those remaining in closed session Alderman Bahrke, Holman, Coopman, McDonald, McDermid, Mayor Braun, Administrator Wills.

15. The Committee will return to open session and may take action on matters discussed in closed session

Re: Employee Evaluation

MOTION: Holman/Strom

Motion to go into open session at 6:47pm.

Voice Vote: All present voting aye - MOTION CARRIED

16. 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 6:47pm.

City Administrator Peter Wills