

**Minutes of the Public Hearing on Special Assessments Held on May 12, 2020 Pursuant to Notice Duly Given (via GoToMeeting):**

Mayor Heier called the public hearing to order at 6:00 p.m. and asked two times for public input. Those present are listed below.

Diane Motiff, Mott Street, asked why she is being charged for a full large apron. Wusterbarth stated that she will be assessed for whatever she actually gets and the assessments will be adjusted once the project is complete. Motiff stated that she felt her existing apron was in good shape and requested that Wusterbarth look at it again.

Mayor Heier asked a third time for public input and none was received.

**Moved by Feldt, seconded by Bronikowski to close the public hearing at 6:05 p.m.**

**Motion carried upon verbal voice vote.**

**6 ayes**

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council Held on May 12, 2020 Pursuant to Notice Duly Given (via GoToMeeting):**

1. Meeting called to order by Mayor Heier at 6:03 p.m.
2. Roll Call (all via teleconference): Al Schreiber, Kim Bronikowski, Attorney Calvert, Mayor Heier, Wes Markusen, Dean Reed, Roger Reed, Jean Feldt  
Also Present: Jeremy Wusterbarth, Superintendent of Public Works, John Bostedt, Park Director, Police Chief Mike Rehberg, Joe Last, Building Inspector, Fire Chief John Reed, Deputy Fire Chief Josh Bostedt, Sara Perrizo, Administrator and as recording secretary and other interested parties
3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance by Alderperson R. Reed
4. Approval of Agenda  
**Moved by Schreiber, seconded by Markusen to approve the agenda.** **6 ayes**
5. Approval of Minutes as Presented from City Council and any Special Council Meetings  
**Moved by Feldt, seconded by Markusen to approve the minutes as presented.**  
**Motion carried upon verbal voice vote.** **6 ayes**
6. Approval of Department Reports as Presented  
**Moved by Schreiber, seconded by D. Reed to approve the department reports.**  
**Motion carried upon verbal voice vote.** **6 ayes**
7. Correspondence/Public Input.  
None
8. Discussion/Action/Recommendation on:
  - a. Election of Council President  
**Moved by Schreiber, seconded by R. Reed to elect Kim Bronikowski as Council President.**  
**Motion carried upon verbal voice vote.** **6 ayes**

b. Election of Council Vice-President

**Moved by Feldt, seconded by D. Reed to elect Wes Markusen as Council Vice-President.  
Motion carried upon verbal voice vote. 6 ayes**

c. Department Reports

i. Building Inspection Report

Last reported that 52 permits were issued in April, for a year-to-date total of 121 with an estimated project cost of \$800,000. He and Calvert are working with a bank on the property located at 100 First Street. In addition, Last is working with others on timelines for their projects.

ii. Police and Fire Reports

Chief Rehberg reported that 60 ordinance violations and 349 total calls for service occurred in April. The department is up to full staff now and Jeff Ruechel has moved up to Captain and Brandon Tousey to Sergeant.

Deputy Chief Bostedt reported that there were 63 EMS calls in April, for a total of 326 year-to-date. The career staff is working on in-house training and the department is also at full staff at this time.

iii. Park & Recreation Report

Bostedt reported that the department rebuilt the mini-golf courses and is working on Spring cleaning and grass cutting. Damaged signs have been replaced and the Copper Culture trail markers have been put up. Harbor packets were mailed to last year's occupants and they are working on putting in the docks as well as getting the campground up and running.

iv. Public Works Report

Wusterbarth stated that 200 feet of concrete barriers and ¼ mile of blacktop are being installed on Bayshore Road. Composting has begun and compost is now available. The recycling center is back to normal hours. The Mott Street project is about three weeks ahead of schedule.

v. Administrator Report

Perrizo reported that cash and investments as of April 30 were \$6 million. The final fieldwork for the 2018 audit is complete. The front office is still closed to the public, but the staff is working while fielding many phone calls and taking record amounts of online payments. The update to the city website is complete and Perrizo now has the ability to update and edit all pages. Tax exempt property reporting is complete for 2020 and the notice of assessments have been sent to Mott and Mill street property owners.

d. Alcohol Beverage License Applications, Applications for Temporary Class B Retailer's License, Applications for License to Serve Fermented Beverages and/or Intoxicating Liquor and Appointment of Agents (see attached list)

**Moved by Schreiber, seconded by Bronikowski to approve the license applications.  
Motion carried upon verbal roll call vote. 6 ayes**

i. Request from Oconto Copperfest for Waiver of Noise Ordinance on June 5, 2020 Until 11:00 p.m. and on June 6, 2020 Until 11:45 p.m.

**Moved by D. Reed, seconded by Markusen to approve the request.  
Motion carried upon verbal roll call vote.**

**6 ayes**

- e. Approval of Accounts Payable for the Month of April 2020 in the amount of \$875,512.78, Payroll for the Month of April 2020 in the Amount of \$145,754.78 (March Balance Sheet and Treasurer's Report Presented at March Meeting)

Markusen questioned a charge of \$239 for Airport weed killer. Perrizo explained that there were likely several other charges the comprised the \$239, but there is only a small amount of room to enter a description in the financial software.

**Moved by Schreiber, seconded by Bronikowski to approve the accounts payable and payroll for April 2020.**

**Motion carried upon verbal roll call vote.**

**6 ayes**

- f. Final Resolution Authorizing the Special Assessments Against Benefitted Property Owners in the City of Oconto, Oconto County, Wisconsin  
This is for Mott and Mill Street.

**Moved by Markusen, seconded by D. Reed to approve the resolution.**

**Motion carried upon verbal roll call vote.**

**6 ayes**

- g. Approval of Certified Survey Map for Draeger/Bancroft Properties Located in the City of Oconto

Perrizo explained that the Bancrofts are purchasing an adjoining parcel from the Draggers.

**Moved by Schreiber, seconded by Feldt to approve the certified survey map.**

**Motion carried upon verbal roll call vote.**

**6 ayes**

- h. Approval of Certified Survey Map for Sunderlage Property Located in the City of Oconto  
This is to combine two parcels that are owned by the Sunderlages.

**Moved by Schreiber, seconded by D. Reed to approve the certified survey map.**

**Motion carried upon verbal roll call vote.**

**6 ayes**

- i. Approval of Certified Survey Map for Jensen/Sowle Property Located in the City of Oconto  
This is to combine three lots into one with the intention of renovating the barn on the property into a residence.

**Moved by R. Reed, seconded by Schreiber to approve the certified survey map.**

**Motion carried upon verbal roll call vote.**

**6 ayes**

- j. Ordinance Regarding Revisions to the ATV Ordinance in the Municipal Code of Ordinances for the City of Oconto

Calvert explained that this adds ATVs/UTVs to the definition of a motor vehicle and will allow citations to be issued under that ordinance.

**Moved by Bronikowski, seconded by Feldt to approve the ordinance.**

**Motion carried upon verbal roll call vote.**

**6 ayes**

- k. Approval of Engineering Contract for Harbor Road and Splinter Causeway in the Amount of \$103,725  
Wusterbarth stated that this is for Phase 1 of the work on Harbor Road and Splinter Causeway. A second engineer that has more knowledge of sea walls will be brought in as well.

**Moved by R. Reed, seconded by Markusen to approve the engineering contract for Harbor Road and Splinter Causeway.**

**Motion carried upon verbal roll call vote. 6 ayes**

- l. Approval of Pay Request for Mott Street Reconstruction Project from DeGroot, Inc. (Amount to be Provided at Meeting)

Wusterbarth stated that the total cost is \$170,359.57 and includes \$94,000 for water main, \$58,000 for storm sewer and \$27,500 for street construction.

**Moved by Schreiber, seconded by Bronikowski to approve the pay request.**

**Motion carried upon verbal roll call vote. 6 ayes**

- m. EMT Training Payout in the Amount of \$5,605.55

Deputy Chief Bostedt stated that the money for this is available in the FAP funds. Five paid-on-calls are attending classes.

**Moved by D. Reed, seconded by Bronikowski to approve the EMT training payout.**

**Motion carried upon verbal roll call vote. 6 ayes**

- n. Mayor Heier stated that the Council may vote at approximately 6:30 p.m. to convene into Closed Session pursuant to notice duly given and as allowed by Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(c) for discussion on personnel matters.

- i. Interim Fire Chief Wages
- ii. Fire Chief Separation Payout Proposal

**Moved by Bronikowski, seconded by Feldt to enter into closed session at 6:31 p.m.**

**Motion carried upon verbal roll call vote. 6 ayes**

Also present in closed session: Chief Reed, Deputy Chief Bostedt (excused after item n(i)), Attorney Windorf, Attorney Calvert, PFC Members Russ Young, Sheri Groll and Cliff Martin, Administrator Perrizo

- o. Council voted to reconvene into Open Session at approximately 7:18 p.m. pursuant to notice duly given and as allowed by Wis. Stat. 19.85 (2) for discussion/recommendation from Closed Session.

**Moved by Feldt, seconded by Bronikowski to return to open session at 7:18 p.m.**

**Motion carried upon verbal voice vote. 6 ayes**

**Moved by Feldt, seconded by D. Reed to set the Interim Fire Chief wages at \$82,400 in include all union benefits.**

**Motion carried upon verbal roll call vote. 6 ayes**

9. Adjournment.

**Moved by D. Reed, seconded by Bronikowski to adjourn at 7:20 p.m.**

**Motion carried upon verbal voice vote.**

**6 ayes**

Respectfully Submitted:  
Sara J. Perrizo  
Administrator