

CITY OF OCONTO
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
City Hall – Council Chambers
1210 Main St, Oconto, WI 54153
TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2023 - 6:00 PM

Draft for Approval

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council Held on July 18, 2023, Pursuant to Notice Duly Given:

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor John Panetti

Roll Call –

Present: Mayor John Panetti, City Attorney Frank Calvert, Alderpersons: Butch Mehlberg, Steve Stock, John Wittkopf, Patsy Bake, Riley Sowle, and Bob LeBreck

Also present: Police Chief Mike Rehberg, Fire Chief Josh Bostedt, Scott Sternhagen, CPA - CLA, City Administrator Brittney Bickel and as recording secretary, and other interested parties

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance by Alderperson Riley Sowle

Approval of Agenda – Mayor stated the agenda would be amended to move 9a to after 7.

MOTION: Wittkopf / Stock

Motion to approve the agenda as amended for the Council meeting July 18, 2023.

Voice Vote: 6 ayes - MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Minutes – Sowle requested the minutes be amended under the public hearing public input from “Darrell Anderson, 101 Merrill Lane, asked if the proposed Ordinance Text Revisions could be explained. Attorney Calvert explained the text revisions are to add “Beer Garden” to Conditional Uses in Recreational Zoning, currently Beer Gardens are **not allowed** in Recreational Zoning.” to “Darrell Anderson, 101 Merrill Lane, asked if the proposed Ordinance Text Revisions could be explained. Attorney Calvert explained the text revisions are to add “Beer Garden” to Conditional Uses in Recreational Zoning, currently Beer Gardens are **undefined** in Recreational Zoning.”

MOTION: Sowle / Bake

*Motion to amend the minutes for the Council meeting on June 20, 2023 from “not allowed” to “undefined”. **Voice Recorded Roll Call Vote: 3 ayes, 2 abstain (Mehlberg, Stock), 1 nay (LeBreck) - MOTION CARRIED***

MOTION: Wittkopf / Mehlberg

Motion to approve the minutes as amended for the Council meeting on June 20, 2023.

Voice Recorded Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes - MOTION CARRIED

Correspondence – none

Public Input –

- Courtney Sowle, 712 McDonald St
- Cliff Martin, 328 Adams St

Discussion/Recommendation on –

- a. 2022 Audit Presentation from Scott Sternhagen, CPA, CLA
Scott Sternhagen, CPA with Clifton Larsen Allen (CLA) presented the City of Oconto's 2022 Audited Financial Statements. Alderpersons and the public asked questions.

Consent Agenda –

- a. Approval of Accounts Payable for the Month of June 2023 in the amount of \$430,655.68, Payroll for the Month of June 2023 in the amount of \$248,678.27, and Other Financial Reports as Presented
- b. Approval of an Ordinance Regarding Additions to the Licensing and Regulations Ordinance in the Municipal Code of Ordinances for the City of Oconto - Room Tax
- c. Approval of Original Alcohol Beverage Retail License Application - True North Energy, LLC - 517 Smith Ave and Approval of Agent - Michelle A. Knox

MOTION: Wittkopf / Bake

Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Voice Recorded Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes - MOTION CARRIED

Discussion/Recommendation on –

Recommendation from Oconto Utility Commission:

- b. Approval of invoice from Midwest Meter Inc. in the amount of \$17,952.00 for Meter Upgrades.

MOTION: Mehlberg / Stock

Motion to approve the invoice as presented.

Voice Recorded Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes - MOTION CARRIED

- c. Approval of invoice from Robert E. Lee & Associates in the amount of \$15,405.25 for WWTP Improvements.

MOTION: Mehlberg / Stock

Motion to approve the invoice as presented.

Voice Recorded Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes - MOTION CARRIED

- d. Approval of Application for Temporary Class B Retailer's License for Oconto Girls Softball Association from July 21 to July 22, 2023 for Oconto Summer Swing Tournament

MOTION: Wittkopf / Mehlberg

Motion to approve the application as presented.

Voice Recorded Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes - MOTION CARRIED

Adjournment –

MOTION: Wittkopf / Mehlberg

Motion to adjourn at 7:20 pm. Voice Vote: 6 ayes - MOTION CARRIED