

**CITY OF OCONTO**  
**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**  
City Hall – Council Chambers  
1210 Main St, Oconto, WI 54153  
**TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2024 - 6:00 PM**

Draft for Approval

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

**Roll Call –**

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

Also Present: City Administrator Brittney Burruel also as recording secretary, and other interested parties

Excused: --

**Approval of Agenda –**

**MOTION: Stock / Mehlberg**

*Motion to approve the agenda as presented for the COW meeting on April 9, 2024.*

**Voice Vote: 6 ayes - MOTION CARRIED**

**Correspondence –**

- Mayor Panetti spoke on the change at TEDCOR.

**Public Input – none**

**Discussion/Recommendation on –**

**a. Department Reports:**

- i. Police Report was handed out by Chief Kassie Dufek, who was excused from the meeting.
- ii. Fire Report was handed out by Chief Josh Bostedt, who was excused from the meeting.
- ii. Park & Recreation Report was handed out by Parks & Recreation Director John Bostedt, who was excused from the meeting. Administrator Burruel stated that we are aware of the issues with the Harbor Camera and are in the process of correcting it.
- iii. Utility Report was handed out by Utility Manager Mathew Beekman. Administrator Burruel read the report aloud for individuals present at the meeting.
- iv. Public Works Report was handed out by Superintendent of Public Works Jeremy Wusterbarth, who was excused from the meeting. Administrator Burruel read the report aloud for individuals at the meeting.
- v. Administrator Report: Clifton Larson Allen (CLA) will have our annual 2023 audit completed around the end of this month. S&P Global is waiting to complete our ratings meeting until they are able to see our 2023 audited financial statements.

**MOTION: Mehlberg / Bake**

*Motion to approve the department reports as presented.*

**Voice Vote: 6 ayes - MOTION CARRIED**

**Closed Session –**

Committee voted at 6:12 pm to convene into Closed Session pursuant to notice duly given and as allowed by Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(c) and by Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(g) for the following items:

- i. Update on City Attorney

**MOTION: Sowle / Mehlberg**

*Motion to convene into closed session at 6:12 pm.*

**Voice Recorded Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes - MOTION CARRIED**

Roll Call: Mayor Panetti, Attorney Calvert, City Administrator Burruel, Patsy Bake, Bob LeBreck, Butch Mehlberg, Riley Sowle, Steve Stock, and John Wittkopf

**Open Session –**

Committee voted to reconvene into Open Session at 6:16 pm pursuant to notice duly given and as allowed by Wis. Stat. 19.85(2) for discussion/recommendation from Closed Session.

**MOTION: Sowle / Mehlberg**

*Motion to reconvene into open session at 6:16 pm.*

**Voice Vote: 6 ayes - MOTION CARRIED**

**Adjournment –**

**MOTION: Wittkopf / Stock**

*Motion to adjourn at 6:17 pm.*

**Voice Vote: 6 ayes MOTION CARRIED**

Minutes submitted by City Administrator Brittney M. Burruel