

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

City Hall – Council Chambers, 1210 Main St, Oconto, WI 54153

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2026 - 6:00 PM

### Meeting of the Council called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Cliff Martin

#### Roll Call –

Present: Mayor Cliff Martin, City Attorney Frank Calvert; Alderpersons: Darrell Anderson, Kim Bronikowski, Ron Daul, Dee Donlevy, Bob LeBreck, Casey Sowle, Lori Stenstrup, and Dan Zoeller

Also Present: Building Inspector Joe Last, Library Director Amy Peterson, City Administrator Brittney Burruel also as recording secretary and other interested parties

#### Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance by Alderperson Kim Bronikowski

**Approval of Agenda** – Addendum Agenda Item 10j. can be bypassed as it is no longer needed.

**MOTION: Daul / Sowle** Motion to approve the agenda as amended for the Council meeting on February 17, 2026. **Voice Vote: 8 ayes M/C**

#### Approval of Minutes –

**MOTION: Sowle / Daul** Motion to approve the minutes as presented for the Council meeting on January 20, 2026. **Voice Vote: 8 ayes M/C**

**Correspondence** – Presentation by Anita Jensen & Riley Sowle for Oconto Riviera Liquor License Request

#### Public Input –

- Administrator Burruel read two emails that were submitted –
  - Kelly Baeten, spoke in support of agenda item 10a.
  - Sue & Jon Bornemann, spoke in support of agenda item 10a.
- Kim McDonald, manages an Airbnb by City Park, spoke in support of agenda item 10a.
- Heather Thomson, 1106 Longbow Ct, Hobart, spoke in opposition to agenda item 10a.
- Violet Hornick, spoke in support of agenda item 10a.
- Dale Thomson, 1106 Longbow Ct, Hobart, spoke in opposition to agenda item 10a.
- Debora Sikora, restaurant owner in City of Oconto, spoke in support of agenda item 10a.
- Catherine Jarvey, Acorn Trail, spoke in support of agenda item 10a.
- Mike Feldt, 172 Luby Ave, spoke in support of agenda item 10a.
- Riley Sowle, owner of Oconto Riviera, 1240 McDonald St, addressed questions & comments

**Consent Agenda** – none.

**Discussion/Recommendation/Action on the Following OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – none.

#### Discussion/Recommendation/Action on the Following NEW BUSINESS –

- a. Approval of Alcohol Beverage License Application from Oconto Riviera, LLC located at 1240 McDonald St and Appointment of Agent of Anita Jensen

**MOTION: Sowle / Donlevy** Motion to approve the license and agent as presented. **Voice Recorded Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 4 nays (Anderson, Daul, Stenstrup, Zoeller) M/C**

- b. 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
- iii. Utility Report – none
- iv. Public Works, Parks, & Rec Report – none
- v. Building Inspection Report was handed out by Inspector Joe Last
- vi. Tourism Report: Alderperson Stenstrup reported that there was no February meeting to

report on

- vii. Technology Report was presented by Alderperson Donlevy
- viii. Library Report was handed out and presented by Director Amy Peterson
- ix. Airport Report – none
- x. Administrator Report was handed out by Administrator Brittney Burrue

- c. Approval of an Ordinance Regarding Revisions to the Government and Administration Ordinance in the Municipal Code of Ordinances for the City of Oconto – Closed Session

**MOTION: Bronikowski / Zoeller** *Motion to approve the ordinance as presented.* **Voice Recorded Roll Call Vote: 8 ayes M/C**

- d. Approval of Temporary Alcohol Beverage License for Oconto County Veterans Memorial Corp for WGAS Northern Ice Fishing Tournament on February 21, 2026

**MOTION: Daul / Stenstrup** *Motion to approve the license as presented.* **Voice Recorded Roll Call Vote: 8 ayes M/C**

Recommendation from Finance Committee:

- e. Approval of Accounts Payable for the Month of January 2026 in the amount of \$2,384,035.48, Payroll for the Month of January 2026 in the amount of \$188,720.51, and Other Financial Reports as Presented

**MOTION: Donlevy / Anderson** *Motion to approve the January 2026 accounts payable, payroll, and other financial reports as presented.* **Voice Recorded Roll Call Vote: 8 ayes M/C**

Recommendation from Plan Commission:

- f. Approval of Certified Survey Map for Scott R. Stewart Revocable Trust located in the City of Oconto

**MOTION: Bronikowski / Daul** *Motion to approve the CSM as presented.* **Voice Recorded Roll Call Vote: 8 ayes M/C**

Recommendation from Plan Commission:

- g. Approval of Certified Survey Map for New Hope Land Investments located in the City of Oconto

**MOTION: Anderson / Zoeller** *Motion to approve the CSM as presented.* **Voice Recorded Roll Call Vote: 8 ayes M/C**

Recommendation from Oconto Utility Commission:

- h. Approval of 13th pay request for WWTP Upgrades to Lunda Construction in the amount of \$38,526.04

**MOTION: Zoeller / Anderson** *Motion to approve the pay request as presented.* **Voice Recorded Roll Call Vote: 8 ayes M/C**

Recommendation from Oconto Utility Commission:

- i. Approval of invoice for Grindelund Engineering in the amount of \$15,650.00

**MOTION: Zoeller / Stenstrup** *Motion to approve the invoice as presented.* **Voice Recorded Roll Call Vote: 8 ayes M/C**

**Adjournment – MOTION: LeBreck / Sowle** *Motion to adjourn at 7:31 pm.* **Voice Vote: 8 ayes M/C**

Minutes submitted by City Administrator Brittney M. Burrue