

The Committee of the Whole met at City Hall in the City of Black River Falls on July 15, 2026 at 6:00 P.M. Alderpersons Gearing-Lancaster, Wussow, and Peloquin were present. Alderperson E. Rave (6:09pm), Dougherty, and Busse attended remotely via Zoom meetings. Alderpersons M. Rave and Ammann were excused. Mayor J. Eddy presided.

1. Mayor Eddy advised those in attendance that there was not a quorum present so no action can be taken, but discussion only.
2. There was one citizen in attendance.
3. Nick Goeman from Baker Tilly presented an overview of the 2025 financial audit.
4. Mayor Eddy advised those in attendance that Alderperson E. Rave had joined remotely via Zoom meetings and a quorum was now present to act on the remaining agenda items.
5. The Department Head monthly reports were reviewed. Department heads present were Darryl Nelson, Travis Brown, Jarod Meyer, Mark Nordahl, and Brad Chown. Cara Hart was excused.
6. The City Administrator advised the initial data received on municipal courts was from Mauston and it was not very encouraging. It is not self-sustaining, it is subsidized with tax dollars so not the revenue source we were hoping for. Plan to meet with one or two more municipalities.
7. The Parks & Recreation Director advised Festival in the Park on Saturday was a great event overall! He also commended Jon Wussow from Municipal Utilities for his efforts repairing a fuse at the Aquatic Center for the drop chutes and play features. Co-op Credit Union's Summer Bash at the Aquatic Center on Tuesday drew 301 attendees and total pool attendance for that day was 429. Council members commended Parks & Recreation staff for their efforts related to Festival in the Park and they are hearing great reviews.
8. The Fire Chief advised the new Sprinter ambulance is scheduled to be delivered to Antigo, WI next week or the following week and it will be a month or so for graphics and the power load cot install, but hope to have it in service in September.
9. The Street Superintendent advised SC Swiderski has started construction on 5 new homes in Lallapalooza. He also advised street paving was completed on North 8th Street on Monday and the street was re-opened on Tuesday. Mathy was working at Forrest Street School and asked to pave early and we were ready so we are way ahead on paving. The two parking lots at City Hall should be ready for paving by next Friday and hope to get them paved and painted before the August 11th election.
10. The Police Chief advised today he travelled to Double Dutch Kennels to look at a K-9. This would be a single purpose K-9 for sniffing drugs and would be considered a no-bite dog. More information will be shared next month.
11. It was moved by Alderperson Busse, seconded by Alderperson Wussow to approve the vouchers for June 2026 Check #77095 - #77237 Totaling \$448,907.14. Motion carried.
12. It was moved by Alderperson Wussow, seconded by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster to approve the City Treasurer's Report for June 2026. Motion carried.
13. It was moved by Alderperson Wussow, seconded by Alderperson Peloquin to approve the Revenue & Expense Reports for June 2026. Motion carried.
14. It was moved by Alderperson Busse, seconded by Alderperson Dougherty to adjourn. Motion carried at 6:41pm.

A. Brad Chown
City Administrator