



Common Council – Reorganizational Minutes

The Common Council met at the City of Nekoosa Office

Location: Council Chambers, 951 Market St. Nekoosa, WI 54457

Time: Tuesday, April 15th, 2025, at 5:30 P.M.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:44pm by Mayor Daniel J. Carlson. The roll call was conducted by City Clerk Kallee Dhein.

Roll Call

Aldermen Present: Anthony Carlson, Garrett Kuhn, Brad Hamilton, Larry Krubsack, Brian Lytner, and Alan Marcoux.

Also in attendance was Rick Schmidt - Public Works Director, Mike Hartje – Fire Chief, Shawn Woods – Police Chief, Darla Allen – Library Director, and David Rheinschmidt.

Attendance via Zoom: Mike Kumm – Ward 2 Alderman and Daniel Downing – Ward 3 Alderman

Citizen Comment

No comments were brought to the attention of the council.

Reimbursement for Attending Meeting

A motion was made to approve all council members at the meeting be reimbursed for their attendance.

Motion by: Anthony Carlson

Seconded by: Garrett Kuhn

Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Motion carried unanimously.

Committee Appointments

Personnel Committee: Brad Hamilton – Chair, Larry Krubsack, Mike Kumm, and Anthony Carlson

Property Recreation and Human Affairs Committee: Mike Kumm – Chair, Alan Marcoux, Dan Downing, and Brad Hamilton

Public Safety Committee: Anthony Carlson – Chair, Mike Kumm, Larry Krubsack, and Garrett Kuhn

Public Works Committee: Larry Krubsack – Chair, Brian Lytner, Anthony Carlson, and Garrett Kuhn

Ways and Means Committee: Daniel Downing – Chair, Al Marcoux, Brian Lytner, and Brad Hamilton

Planning Commission: Mayor Daniel Carlson – Chair, City Clerk Kallee Dhein – Secretary, Rick Schmidt – DPW, Brad Hamilton, Larry Krubsack, Randy Soika, Dan Hofmeister, and Jason Conrad.

A motion was made to approve the various committee appointments as written.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton
Motion carried unanimously.

Seconded by: Anthony Carlson

Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Police Committee

Membership: The Police Committee shall consist of 3 members, none of whom shall be officers or employees of the City, appointed by the mayor & confirmed by the Council for staggered 3-year terms.

Powers & Duties: The Police Committee shall have the power & duty to discipline the City Police Chief & City Police Officers who are not probationary, in accordance with the provisions of State Statute 62.13(5), Wisconsin Statutes.

Appointments: George Carlson. - 3-year term, Kenneth Hilgers - 2-year term, and John Reimer - 1 year term

A motion was made to approve the police committee appointments as written.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton
Motion carried unanimously.

Seconded by: Larry Krubsack

Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Selection of Council President

Brad Hamilton was nominated as Council President.

A motion was made to approve Brad Hamilton's nomination as Council President.

Motion by: Larry Krubsack
Motion carried unanimously.

Seconded by: Garrett Kuhn

Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Designation of official depositories

Nekoosa Port Edwards State Bank, Paper City Savings, and Nekoosa Credit Union

A motion was made to approve the official depositories as written.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton
Motion carried unanimously.

Seconded by: Garrett Kuhn

Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Selection of agent for the Wisconsin Retirement Fund

City Clerk, Kallee Dhein

A motion was made to approve City Clerk, Kallee Dhein as the appointed agent for the WRF.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton
Motion carried unanimously.

Seconded by: Garrett Kuhn

Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Selection of the official newspaper

Wisconsin Rapids Daily Tribune

A motion was made to approve the official newspaper as written.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton
Motion carried unanimously.

Seconded by: Anthony Carlson

Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Set Date and Time for Open Book and Board of Review

Open Book: May 6th, 2025 1:00pm – 5:00pm

Board of Review: May 14th, 2025 5:00pm – 7:00pm

A motion was made to approve the dates and times for the Open Book and Board of Review.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton

Seconded by: Anthony Carlson

Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Motion carried unanimously.

Board of Review Appointments

Secretary: Kallee Dhein, City Clerk

Regular Appointments: Al Marcoux, Brian Lytner, Anthony Carlson, Brad Hamilton

Alternate Appointments: Larry Krubsack, Mike Kumm, Dan Downing, Garrett Kuhn

A motion was made to approve the Board of Review appointments as written.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton

Seconded by: Garrett Kuhn

Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Motion carried unanimously.

Board of Appeals Appointments

No motions were made because not enough people have been selected for the Board.

Selection of the City Attorney

A motion was made to select Nicholas Abts as the city attorney. During the discussion, one council member raised concerns about the attorney's performance, citing prolonged court cases and questioning the development agreement for a project. The member asked if it was time to look for a new attorney. Other council members expressed satisfaction with the current attorney's performance, noting the challenges faced due to rising interest rates and construction material costs. It was also mentioned that finding a new city attorney could be difficult.

A motion was made to approve Nick Abts as the City Attorney.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton

Seconded by: Larry Krubsack

Roll call vote: 7 Ayes, 1 Nays.

Alan Marcoux – 1 Nay.

Selection of the City Prosecutor

A motion was made to appoint Nick Abts as the city prosecutor. There was a brief discussion to clarify that the city prosecutor was separate from the judge.

A motion was made to approve Nick Abts as the City Prosecutor.

Motion by: Anthony Carlson

Seconded by: Brad Hamilton

Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Motion carried unanimously.

Selection of Public Advisory Board

No nominations or appointments were made to create a Public Advisory Board.

Selection of an Airport Commission Representative

Brad Hamilton

A motion was made to approve Brad Hamilton as the city's representative for the Airport Commission.

Motion by: Anthony Carlson

Seconded by: Garrett Kuhn

Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Motion carried unanimously.

Selection to the Library Board

Alan Marcoux

A motion was made to approve Alan Marcoux as the alderman representative on the Library Board.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton

Seconded by: Garrett Kuhn

Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

Motion by: Anthony Carlson

Seconded by: Larry Krubsack

Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:55pm