



Common Council – Special Statutory Minutes

The Common Council met at the City of Nekoosa Office

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

Time: Tuesday, November 4th, 2025, at 5:00 P.M.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm by Mayor Daniel J. Carlson. The roll call was conducted by City Clerk Kallee Ferk.

Roll Call

Aldermen Present: Larry Krubsack, Alan Marcoux, Brian Lytner, Mike Kumm, Anthony Carlson, Dan Downing, Brad Hamilton, and Garrett Kuhn

Also in attendance was Rick Schmidt - Public Works Director, Mike Hartje – Fire Chief, Shawn Woods – Police Chief

Attendance via Zoom: Darla Allen – Library Director, Bobbi Hertzberg – Treasurer, and Jon Trautman – Accountant with CLA

Citizen Comment

No comments were brought to the attention of the council.

Committee Reports

Committee of the Whole

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole report of October 28th, 2025 be accepted as written.

Motion by: Larry Krubsack

Seconded by: Brad Hamilton

Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Minutes:

- 1.) Discussion of city budget for 2026 with Jon Trautman – from Clifton Larson Allen (see minutes for further details)*
- 2.) Recommend 8% health insurance increase option for 2026 with Security Health Plan.*

Respectfully submitted, Kallee Ferk, City Clerk

Kallee Ferk corrected that the insurance has since called after this meeting and altered the rate increase to 5.58% instead of 8%.

Motion that the 5.58% increase with the health insurance be adopted for action.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton

Seconded by: Garrett Kuhn

Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

No old business items were brought forward for discussion.

New Business

Discussion and possible action on Wisconsin Rapids ambulance contract.

Wisconsin Rapids presented their final contract to the City of Nekoosa for ambulance services. The contract details a per capita rate of \$56.00 and a clause that does not allow the per capita to go up more than 7% each year to allow restriction of inflation. The contract also details the stipulations on buyout of the contract. A 1-year notice needs to be given in advance for any alterations to the contract that is set to last from 2026-2029.

Motion that the Wisconsin Rapids Ambulance Contract be adopted for action.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton

Seconded by: Anthony Carlson

Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and possible action on final budget summary for 2026 with Jon Trautman.

Jon Trautman zoomed into the meeting to confirm the budgetary numbers before they got sent to the newspaper for publication. After all changes were made, including the decrease in the health insurance renewal, the current out of balance budget number was \$158,659. He mentioned that if changes were not made at the final budget hearing to correct this, fund balance would be applied to cover the difference. He said that with these numbers the final levy number would be \$1,333,099. The date of the final budget hearing was set for Wednesday, November 26th, 2025 at 5:30pm.

Motion that the levy limit of \$1,333,099 for the 2026 budget be adopted for action.

Motion by: Mike Kumm

Seconded by: Brad Hamilton

Roll call vote: 7 Ayes, 1 Nays.

Alan Marcoux voted no.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton

Seconded by: Anthony Carlson

Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20pm.