Common Council Minutes
The Common Council met at the City of Nekoosa Office
Location: Council Chambers, 951 Market St. Nekoosa, WI 54457
Time: Tuesday, October 13th, 2026, at 7:00 P.M.

Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 7:12pm by Mayor Daniel J. Carlson. Roll call was conducted by Kallee Ferk, City Clerk.

Roll Call
Aldermen Present: Alan Marcoux, Adam Buehring, Mike Kumm, Anthony Carlson, Daniel Downing, Garett Kuhn, and Brad Hamilton.

Larry Krubsack was noted as absent.

Also in attendance was Rick Schmidt – Public Works Director, Mike Hartje – Fire Chief, Shawn Woods – Police Chief, Darla Allen – Library Director, Scott Gustin, Sue Gustin, Tim Bowe, Dennis Fenske, and Adam Lueneburg.

Attendance via Zoom: Nick Abts – City Attorney and Michael Miller

Citizen Comment –
Rick Schmidt introduced the new Public Works Director Adam Lueneburg to greet the council.

Approval of Previous Common Council Minutes – September 8th, 2026
A motion was made to approve the minutes of the previous Common Council meeting as written.
Motion by: Brad Hamilton Seconded by: Garett Kuhn Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report
A motion was made to approve the treasurer's report.
Motion by: Brad Hamilton Seconded by: Garett Kuhn Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT
GENERAL FUND
SEPTEMBER 2026

BOAT LAUNCH PASSES		425.00
BUILDING/ZONING PERMITS		1,968.00
CHARLES & JOANN LESTER LIBRARY		
Library Sales		530.60
CITATION PAYMENTS		3,372.06
FORFEITURES		2.12
GRANT		
Focus on Energy		354.96
MOCCASIN MHP, LLC		
Mobile Home Fees		548.40
NEKOOSA POLICE DEPARTMENT		
BOTS Grant	299.45	
Parking Ticket	10.00	
		309.45
NEKOOSA PORT EDWARDS STATE BANK		
Interest on NOW Account		41.13
OPERATOR LICENSES		10.00
RECYCLE PICK-UP		100.00
REIMBURSEMENT		20.75
RIVERSIDE CEMETERY		1,000.00
SENIOR/COMMUNITY CENTER		1,275.00
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT REQUESTS		75.00
UTILITY PAYMENTS		152,721.76
WISCONSIN, STATE OF		
Storm Damage Recovery		12,727.78
WOOD COUNTY TREASURER		
August 2026 Special Charges		449.34
TOTAL RECEIPTS		**175,931.35**

POOLED CASH CHECKING ACCOUNT	
8/31/2026 Balance	854,488.82
Checks	-775,417.04
Receipts	175,931.35
9/30/2026 Balance	255,003.13

LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS

Nekoosa Port Edwards State Bank
CD #40532, Maturity 12 Months - $22,707.30 *Owned jointly with the Town Of Port Edwards for the future closure of the landfill.*

Local Government Investment Pool
General Account – Balance $1,553,254.70
Water Account – Balance $1,440.05

Respectfully submitted,

Bobbi Hertzberg
Treasurer, City of Nekoosa

Committee Reports

Committee of the Whole
A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole report of August 18th, 2026, to be accepted as written.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton Seconded by: Anthony Carlson Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Minutes:

1. *Discussed presentation provided by Jon Trautman on the city's current 2026 budget status and the beginning of planning the 2027 budget.*

No items needed any action.

Personnel

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Personnel Committee reports of September 22nd, 28th, and 30th, 2026, to be accepted as written.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton Seconded by: Garett Kuhn Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Minutes:

Personnel – 09/22/2026

1. *Motion by Mike Kumm, 2nd by Tony Carlson to go into CLOSED SESSION pursuant to WI Stats. 19.85 (1)(c) to go over applications for the Director of Public Works position. Motion carried.*

Personnel – 09/28/2026

1. *Motion by Tony Carlson, 2nd by Mike Kumm to go into CLOSED SESSION pursuant to WI Stats. 19.85 (1) (c) to interview candidates for Director of Public Works position. All voted yes.*

Personnel – 09/30/26

1. *Motion by Tony Carlson, 2nd by Mike Kumm to go into CLOSED SESSION pursuant to WI Stats. 19.85 (1) (c) to interview candidates for Director of Public Works position.*
2. *Motion by Larry Krubsack, 2nd by Mike Kumm to come out of CLOSED SESSION pursuant to WI Stats. 19.85 (2).*
3. *Recommend the council to offer Adam Lueneburg the position of Director of Public Works. Subject to acceptance and preemployment screening.*

Motion that Item 3 of the September 30th, 2026 Personnel Committee Meeting be adopted for action.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton Seconded by: Garett Kuhn Roll call vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.
Alan Marcoux and Garett Kuhn abstained.

Public Safety

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Public Safety report of October 6th, 2026, to be accepted as written.

Motion by: Anthony Carlson Seconded by: Brad Hamilton Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Minutes:

1. *Discussed Flock camera system.*
2. *Recommend continued use of Flock cameras paired with the formal policy in place.*
3. *Recommend the K-9 fund procures a K-9, along with the required handler training and ongoing operational expenses.*

Garett Kuhn asked that item 2 be held out for a separate vote.

Motion that Item 2 of the Public Safety Committee Meeting be adopted for action.

Motion by: Anthony Carlson Seconded by: Brad Hamilton Roll call vote: 4 Ayes, 3 Nays.
Alan Marcoux, Daniel Downing, and Garett Kuhn voted no.

Motion that Item 3 of the Public Safety Committee Meeting be adopted for action.

Motion by: Anthony Carlson Seconded by: Garett Kuhn Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 1 Nay.
Alan Marcoux voted no.

Public Works

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Public Works Committee report of October 13th, 2026, to be accepted as written.

Motion by: Alan Marcoux Seconded by: Brad Hamilton Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Minutes:

1. *Recommend having the Wood County Highway Department remove the asphalt pile at Lynn Hill Yard and storing it at their yard at no cost to the city. Rick Schmidt, Public Works Director will negotiate for future rights to reuse the material in question.*
2. *Recommend hiring Vierbicher Engineering Consultants for engineering services for the Elmwood and Glendale utility project and management of the EPA grant. There are no costs associated with this action at this time.*
3. *Recommend continuing to work with homeowners on 10th Street to remedy water issues on their property.*
4. *Recommend allowing the Historic Point Basse foundation to receive potable water a couple times a year from the city.*
5. *Recommend hiring Josh Volz as the City of Nekoosa's new building inspector to start January 1st, 2027.*
6. *Recommend termination of current building inspection contract with General Engineering Company effective January 1st, 2027.*
7. *Recommend releasing funds that are being held for the Town of Port Edwards landfill.*
8. *Discussed having the city crew to do formal inspections to ensure proper sump pump connections to the sanitary sewer system on private properties.*

9. *Recommend allowing the public works staff to work with the Nekoosa High School students with a job shadowing program.*

Anthony Carlson requested that item 4 be held for a separate vote.
Motion that Item 4 of the Public Works Committee Meeting be adopted for action.
Motion by: Alan Marcoux Seconded by: Brad Hamilton Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 1 Nay. Anthony Carlson voted no.

Motion that Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, and 9 of the Public Works Committee Meeting be adopted for action.
Motion by: Alan Marcoux Seconded by: Garett Kuhn Roll call vote: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried unanimously.

Ways & Means

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Ways & Means Committee report of October 13th, 2026, to be accepted as written
Motion by: Adam Buehring Seconded by: Brad Hamilton Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Minutes:

1. *Audited the bill list.*
2. *Recommend the various license applications:*
   - **Operator Licenses:**
     - Goodfella's: Staci Ogren
     - The Edge: Lyssa Blakeslee (pending background check)
     - The Spot: Michelle Leach
     - The Basement Bar: Kayleigh Waite
3. *Discussed wages for council members that were previously approved years ago.*
4. *Discussion on questionable/spam emails that are being sent to several council members.*
5. *Recommend acknowledgement letter for the efforts and service of former Alderman and Nekoosa Auxiliary Police – Gus Woiak Jr.*
6. *Recommend increasing the allowable dollar amount to purchase flowers and send them to former employees families in the event of their passing to $100.00.*

Motion that Items 1, 2, 5, and 6 of the Ways and Means Committee Meeting be adopted for action.
Motion by: Adam Buehring Seconded by: Brad Hamilton Roll call vote: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business – There was no old business.

New Business

Discussion and possible action on ADA Compliance correspondence from city attorney Nick Abts.

The council discussed making sure the closed captioning of Zoom recorded Council meeting was working and accessible to meet the ADA requirements. After discussing with the City Attorney, it was said to continue moving forward as recordings have been and to take a look at adopting a policy for ADA requirements like the City of Brookfield example in the packet.

Approval of all Department Reports

A motion was made to approve the various monthly reports from the Police Chief, Public Works Director, Fire Chief, Community Center, Airport Commission, Charles & JoAnn Lester Library, and Building Inspector.
Motion by: Anthony Carlson Seconded by: Garett Kuhn Motion carried unanimously.

Audit Bill List / Approval of Bills

Pooled Cash:
Check #65464-65580 and other voucher payments from 09/09/2026-10/13/2026
Total Expenditure from all Funds = $572,516.42

Payroll:
Check #56407-56412 Voucher #V14776-V14878 payments from 09/09/2026– 10/13/2026
Total: $163,652.89
A motion was made to approve the bills for the month.
Motion by: Brad Hamilton Seconded by: Anthony Carlson Roll call vote: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.
Motion by: Anthony Carlson Seconded by: Garett Kuhn Motion carried unanimously.
Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm