Common Council Minutes
The Common Council met at the City of Nekoosa Office
Location: Council Chambers, 951 Market St. Nekoosa, WI 54457
Time: Tuesday, November 10th, 2026, at 7:00 P.M.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Mayor Daniel J. Carlson. Roll call was conducted by Kallee Ferk, City Clerk.

Roll Call

Aldermen Present: Larry Krubsack, Alan Marcoux, Adam Buehring, Mike Kumm, Anthony Carlson, Daniel Downing, and Garett Kuhn.

Also in attendance was Rick Schmidt – Public Works Director, Adam Lueneburg – Incoming Public Works Director, Mike Hartje – Fire Chief, Shawn Woods – Police Chief, and Darla Allen – Library Director.

Attendance via Zoom: Brad Hamilton – Ward 4 Alderman, Nick Abts – City Attorney, and Michael Miller

Citizen Comment – No citizen's commented.

Approval of Previous Common Council Minutes – October 13th, 2026

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the previous Common Council meeting as written.
Motion by: Anthony Carlson Seconded by: Garett Kuhn Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

A motion was made to approve the treasurer's report.
Motion by: Larry Krubsack Seconded by: Anthony Carlson Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT
GENERAL FUND
OCTOBER 2026

BOAT LAUNCH PASSES		460.00
BUILDING/ZONING PERMITS		464.00
CHARLES & JOANN LESTER LIBRARY		
Library Sales		404.48
CITATION PAYMENTS		3,072.18
FIRE RETAINER FEE		
Port Edwards, Town of	18,951.26	
Saratoga, Town of	54,796.58	
		73,747.84
FORFEITURES		2.10
FRANCHISE FEES		
Solarus		601.16
LAND FILL CLOSURE		10,106.61
LGIP TRANSFER		300,000.00
MOCCASIN MHP, LLC		
Mobile Home Fees		548.40
NEKOOSA POLICE DEPARTMENT		
League of Wis. Municipalities Insurance	3,500.00	
Nekoosa Giant Pumpkin Fest Donation	1,500.00	
Records Request	2.00	
		5,002.00
NEKOOSA PORT EDWARDS STATE BANK		
Interest on NOW Account		25.61
OPERATOR LICENSES		30.00
RECYCLE PICK-UP		350.00
RIVERSIDE CEMETERY		3,000.00
SENIOR/COMMUNITY CENTER		1,701.00
SIDEWALK REPAIR		397.07
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT REQUESTS		25.00
UTILITY PAYMENTS		162,983.95
WISCONSIN, STATE OF		
General Transportation Aid		68,511.40
WOOD COUNTY CLERK		
Dog Lister Payment		65.00
WOOD COUNTY TREASURER		
September 2026 Special Charges		466.65
TOTAL RECEIPTS		**631,964.45**

POOLED CASH CHECKING ACCOUNT	
09/30/2026 Balance	254,346.86
Checks	-698,987.94
Receipts	631,964.45
10/31/2026 Balance	187,323.37

LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS

Local Government Investment Pool
General Account – Balance $1,258,105.05
Water Account – Balance $1,444.88

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 October 27th, 2026, to be accepted as written.

Motion by: Anthony Carlson Seconded by: Garett Kuhn Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Minutes:

1. *Recommend taking the TIF 1 and 2 city returns and putting it aside as restricted fund balance from the General Fund for sick leave payouts.*
2. *Set Budget Public Hearing for Tuesday, November 17th, 2026 at 5:00pm.*

Motion that Item 1 of the Committee of the Whole Meeting be adopted for action.

Motion by: Anthony Carlson Seconded by: Larry Krubsack Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Personnel

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Personnel Committee reports of October 20th and November 3rd, 2026, to be accepted as written.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton Seconded by: Larry Krubsack Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Minutes:

Personnel – 10/20/2026

1. *Motion by Mike Kumm, 2nd by Anthony Carlson to go into closed session to discuss pursuant to WI Stats. 19.85 (1) (c) to discuss new Public Works Director's salary, benefits, and work schedule. All members voted yes.*
2. *Motion by Mike Kumm, 2nd by Anthony Carlson to come out of closed session pursuant to WI Stats. 19.85 (2) to make recommendations on items discussed in closed session. All members voted yes.*
3. *Recommend starting date for Adam Lueneburg on November 9th, 2026 as Public Works Director.*
4. *Motion by Mike Kumm, 2nd by Anthony Carlson to go into closed session pursuant to WI Stats. 19.85 (1) (c) to discuss union contract proposals. All members voted yes.*
5. *Motion by Mike Kumm, 2nd by Anthony Carlson to come out of closed session pursuant to WI Stats. 19.85 (2) to make possible recommendations on closed session items.*
6. *Discussed the open position in the Public Works department.*

Motion that Item 3 of the October 20th, 2026 Personnel Committee Meeting be adopted for action.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton Seconded by: Larry Krubsack Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Personnel – 11/03/2026

1. *Discussion on the future of the Public Works Department staffing levels.*
    a. *Recommend hiring a replacement mechanic for the Public Works Department.*
    b. *Motion by Larry Krubsack, seconded by Mike Kumm to go into closed session pursuant to WI Stats. 19.85 (1) (c) to discuss contract items. Motion carried.*

Motion that Item 1 (a) of the November 3rd, 2026 Personnel Committee Meeting be adopted for action.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton Seconded by: Larry Krubsack Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Public Works

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Public Works Committee report of November 3rd, 2026, to be accepted as written.

Motion by: Alan Marcoux Seconded by: Anthony Carlson Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Minutes:

1. *Discussion and update on the Fairview Lane project.*
2. *Discussion and update on the Freeman Fishing Pier project and fishing grant status.*
3. *Discussion on the 10th street drainage issues.*
4. *Recommend replacing a section of asphalt at the Freeman Boat Landing near the top of the launch for a cost of $6,490.00 to be funded by the boat launch fee collections.*

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: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.
Motion carried unanimously.

Ways & Means

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Ways & Means Committee report of November 10th, 2026, to be accepted as written

Motion by: Adam Buehring Seconded by: Anthony Carlson Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Minutes:

1. *Audited the bill list.*
2. *Recommend the various license applications:*
   - **Operator Licenses:**
     - Dollar General: Dakota Borths
3. *Recommend sponsorship for the Heart of Wisconsin 2027 at a cost of $2,100 for the Nekoosa Holiday Parade & Fireworks and Rendezvous in the Park.*

Motion that Items 1, 2, and 3 of the Ways and Means Committee Meeting be adopted for action.

Motion by: Adam Buehring Seconded by: Anthony Carlson Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business – There was no old business.

New Business

Discussion and possible action on the 2027 SWCHS contract.

A motion was made to approve the 2027 SWCHS contract for a total of $4,140.00.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton Seconded by: Anthony Carlson Roll call vote: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and possible action on council/alderperson wages.

A motion was made to approve having $125 secretary pay added to the May 1st, 2027 wage increase for alderpersons.

Motion by: Alan Marcoux Seconded by: Adam Buehring Roll call vote: 7 Ayes, 1 Nay. Anthony Carlson voted no.

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

Audit Bill List / Approval of Bills

Pooled Cash:

Check #65581-65697 and other voucher payments from 10/14/2026-11/10/2026

Total Expenditure from all Funds = $497,601.93

Payroll:

Check #56413-56417 Voucher #V14879-V14949 payments from 10/14/2026– 11/10/2026

Total: $145,020.19

A motion was made to approve the bills for the month.

Motion by: Brad Hamilton Seconded by: Anthony Carlson 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 7:27pm